



# Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994

## 1994 CHAPTER 33

### PART XII

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

##### *Prohibition on use of cells from embryos or fetuses*

#### **156 Prohibition on use of cells from embryos or fetuses.**

- (1) The <sup>M1</sup>Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990 shall be amended as follows.
- (2) After section 3 there shall be inserted the following section—

##### **“3A Prohibition in connection with germ cells.**

- (1) No person shall, for the purpose of providing fertility services for any woman, use female germ cells taken or derived from an embryo or a fetus or use embryos created by using such cells.
- (2) In this section—
  - “female germ cells” means cells of the female germ line and includes such cells at any stage of maturity and accordingly includes eggs; and
  - “fertility services” means medical, surgical or obstetric services provided for the purpose of assisting women to carry children.”.
- (3) In section 41(1)(a) (offences under the Act) after the words “section 3(2)” there shall be inserted “, 3A ”.

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#### Marginal Citations

**M1** [1990 c. 37](#).

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 51(10)(a)(ia) inserted by [2003 c. 44 Sch. 36 para. 11\(3\)](#)