

# Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

# **2005 CHAPTER 15**

## F1PART 1

THE SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME AGENCY

#### **CHAPTER 1**

SOCA: ESTABLISHMENT AND ACTIVITIES

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 Pt. 1 omitted (7.10.2013) by virtue of Crime and Courts Act 2013 (c. 22), s. 61(2), Sch. 8 para. 158 (with Sch. 8 para. 9); S.I. 2013/1682, art. 3(v)

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2	Functions of SOCA as to serious organised crime

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