

# Terrorism Act 2006

## **2006 CHAPTER 11**

### PART 1

#### **OFFENCES**

## *Increases of penalties*

## 15 Maximum penalty for contravening notice relating to encrypted information

- (1) In section 53 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (c. 23) (offence of contravening disclosure requirement)—
  - (a) in paragraph (a) of subsection (5), for "two years" substitute "the appropriate maximum term"; and
  - (b) after that subsection insert the subsections set out in subsection (2).
- (2) The inserted subsections are—
  - "(5A) In subsection (5) 'the appropriate maximum term' means—
    - (a) in a national security case, five years; and
    - (b) in any other case, two years.
  - (5B) In subsection (5A) 'a national security case' means a case in which the grounds specified in the notice to which the offence relates as the grounds for imposing a disclosure requirement were or included a belief that the imposition of the requirement was necessary in the interests of national security."
- (3) This section does not apply to offences committed before the commencement of this section.