



Health and Care Act 2022

2022 CHAPTER 31

PART 5

VIRGINITY TESTING AND HYMENOPLASTY OFFENCES

CHAPTER 2

HYMENOPLASTY OFFENCES

Hymenoplasty offences: England and Wales

151 Hymenoplasty offences in England and Wales: penalties

- (1) A person who commits an offence under section 148, 149 or 150 is liable—
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the maximum summary term for either-way offences or a fine (or both);
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or a fine (or both).
- (2) In subsection (1)(a) “the maximum summary term for either-way offences” means—
- (a) in relation to an offence committed before the time when paragraph 24(2) of Schedule 22 to the Sentencing Act 2020 comes into force, 6 months;
 - (b) in relation to an offence committed after that time, 12 months.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 151 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 186\(6\)](#)
- I2** [S. 151](#) in force at 1.7.2022 by [S.I. 2022/734](#), reg. 2(a), [Sch.](#) (with [regs. 13, 29, 30](#))

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Health and Care Act 2022, Section 151.