STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 384

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Traffic Offenders (Additional Offences and Prescribed Devices) Order 1997

Made - - - - 17th February 1997

Laid before Parliament 25th February 1997

Coming into force - - 18th March 1997

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 20(3) and (9) of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988(1), hereby makes the following Order:

- **1.** This Order may be cited as the Road Traffic Offenders (Additional Offences and Prescribed Devices) Order 1997 and shall come into force on 18th March 1997.
- **2.** Section 20(2) of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 shall be amended by the addition, after paragraph (e), of the following paragraph—
 - "(f) an offence under Part I or II of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 of contravening or failing to comply with an order or regulations made under either of those Parts relating to the use of an area of road which is described as a bus lane or a route for use by buses only."
- **3.** The following device is prescribed for the purposes of section 20 of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988—

"a camera designed or adapted to record the presence of a vehicle on an area of road which is a bus lane or a route for use by buses only."

Home Office 17th February 1997 David Maclean Minister of State

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends section 20 of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 to add offences relating to the abuse of bus lanes to the offences to which that section, which deals with the admissibility of certain evidence, applies. It also prescribes bus lane cameras as devices which may be used to produce evidence under that section.