



2011 CHAPTER 24

PART 5

TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS

Extension of maximum period of deferment of sentence

53.—(1) Article 3 of the [Criminal Justice \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1996 \(NI 24\)](#) (deferment of sentence) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (2) (deferment not to exceed 6 months) for “6 months” substitute “the relevant period”.

(3) After paragraph (2) insert—

“(2A) In paragraph (2) “the relevant period” means—

(a) if the court makes an order under Article 28(1) of the Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 in respect of the offender, 6 months;

(b) in any other case, 12 months.”.