



Companies Act 1985

1985 CHAPTER 6

PART XIV

INVESTIGATION OF COMPANIES AND THEIR AFFAIRS; REQUISITION OF DOCUMENTS

Requisition and seizure of books and papers

[^{F1}451 Punishment for furnishing false information.

- (1) A person commits an offence if in purported compliance with a requirement under section 447 to provide information—
 - (a) he provides information which he knows to be false in a material particular;
 - (b) he recklessly provides information which is false in a material particular.
- (2) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on conviction to imprisonment or a fine or to both.
- (3) Sections 732 (restriction on prosecutions), 733 (liability of individuals for corporate default) and 734 (criminal proceedings against unincorporated bodies) apply to an offence under this section.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 451 substituted (6.4.2005) by [Companies \(Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise\) Act 2004 \(c. 27\)](#), ss. 25, 65, [Sch. 2 para. 19](#); S.I. 2004/3322, [art. 2\(2\)](#), Sch. 2 (subject to arts. 3-13)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 451 extended (with modifications) by S.I. 1989/638, regs. 18, 21, [Sch. 4 para. 11](#)
- C2** S. 451 applied (with modifications) (6.4.2001) by S.I. 2001/1090, reg. 4, [Sch. 2 Pt. I](#)
- C3** S. 451 restricted (20.1.2007, 6.4.2007, 1.10.2007 for specified purposes) by [Companies Act 2006 \(c. 46\)](#), [ss. 1126, 1300](#) (with s. 1133); S.I. 2006/3428, [art. 3\(2\)\(b\)](#) (subject to art. 5, Sch. 1 and with arts. 6, 8, Sch. 5 (as amended by S.I. 2007/3495, art. 11, Sch. 5)); S.I. 2007/1093, [art. 2\(2\)\(c\)](#); S.I. 2007/2194, [art. 2\(1\)\(I\)\(3\)\(h\)](#) (with art. 12); S.I. 2007/3495, [art. 3\(1\)\(n\)](#) (with arts. 7, 12)

Status:

Point in time view as at 08/11/2006. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Companies Act 1985, Section 451.