

*These notes refer to the Identity Cards Act 2006
(c.15) which received Royal Assent on 30 March 2006*

IDENTITY CARDS ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Offences

Section 30: Consequential amendments relating to offences

169. *Subsection (1)* extends the usual jurisdiction of the courts in England and Wales for the offences in section 25. *Subsection (5)* extends the usual jurisdiction of the courts in Northern Ireland for the offences in section 25.
170. *Subsection (2)* adds the false documents offence (section 25) to section 31(3) of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 giving a specific defence for refugees with false documents. This is of particular relevance as those who destroy any false documents will commit an offence under section 2 of the Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants) Act 2004.
171. *Subsection (3)* adds the false documents offence (section 25) to section 14(2) of the Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc.) Act 2004. This gives immigration officers power to arrest without warrant for the offence and ancillary powers to search for and seize documents.
172. *Subsection (4)* makes the offences under sections 25 (5), 27 and 28 arrestable in Northern Ireland.