POLICE AND JUSTICE ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY

Part 5 – Miscellaneous

8. Section 34 makes provisions in relation to sentences of imprisonment for bail offences. Sections 35 to 38 introduce increased penalties and new offences regarding computer misuse in relation to cybercrime. Sections 39 and 40 and Schedules 11 and 12 amend the Protection of Children Act 1978 and the Protection of Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 to enable the forfeiture of indecent photographs of children irrespective of the power they have been seized under. Section 41 gives a new power to the Secretary of State to confer functions on the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) which would enable the Commission to investigate complaints and alleged misconduct regarding the exercise of immigration and asylum enforcement functions, in the same way as it currently investigates the police. Sections 42 and 43 and Schedule 13 make a number of amendments to extradition legislation regarding persons unlawfully at large, transfer from International Criminal Court, remand and extradition of persons serving a sentence in the United Kingdom, remands in connection with appeal proceedings, time limits and warrants, etc. Section 44 provides for the transfer of prisoners under international arrangements without their consent. Sections 45 to 48 provide for the use of live links at certain preliminary, sentencing and appeal hearings.