Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

## **SCHEDULE**

NOTICE TO ACCUSED ABOUT EFFECT OF SECTIONS 288C AND 288D OF 1995 ACT AND SPECIAL PRE-TRIAL PROCEDURES: AMENDMENT OF 1995 ACT

Notice of restriction on conduct of defence: copy complaint

- In section 146 (procedure in summary prosecution following not guilty plea), after subsection (3) there is inserted—
  - "(3A) Where, under subsection (3) above, the prosecutor furnishes an accused charged with a sexual offence to which section 288C of this Act applies with a copy of the complaint, it shall be accompanied by a notice to the accused—
    - (a) that, if he is tried for the offence, his defence at his trial may be conducted only by a lawyer;
    - (b) that it is, therefore, in his interests, if he has not already done so, to get the professional assistance of a solicitor; and
    - (c) that, if he does not engage a solicitor for the purposes of his defence at the trial, the court will do so.
  - (3B) A failure to comply with subsection (3A) above does not affect the validity or lawfulness of any such copy complaint or any other element of the proceedings against the accused."