



Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

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PART 16

ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS

171 Offences related to absconding

- (1) This section applies where—
 - (a) a child requires to be kept in a particular place by virtue of—
 - (i) a child assessment order,
 - (ii) a child protection order,
 - (iii) a compulsory supervision order,
 - (iv) an interim compulsory supervision order,
 - (v) a medical examination order, or
 - (vi) a warrant to secure attendance, or
 - (b) a person has (or is authorised to have) control of a child by virtue of such an order or warrant.
- (2) A person commits an offence if the person—
 - (a) knowingly assists or induces the child to abscond from the place or person,
 - (b) knowingly harbours or conceals a child who has absconded from the place or person, or
 - (c) knowingly prevents a child from returning to the place or person.
- (3) The person is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.
- (4) This section is subject to—
 - (a) section 38(3) and (4) of the 1995 Act,
 - (b) section 51(5) and (6) of the Children Act 1989 (c.41), and
 - (c) Article 70(5) and (6) of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (S.I. 1995/755 (N.I. 2)).