



# Northern Ireland Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 47

### PART IV

#### THE NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY

##### *Proceedings etc.*

#### **46 Witnesses: oaths**

- (1) The Presiding Officer or such other person as may be authorised by standing orders may—
  - (a) administer an oath to any person giving evidence in proceedings of the Assembly; and
  - (b) require him to take the oath.
- (2) Any person who refuses to take an oath when required to do so under subsection (1) (b) is guilty of an offence.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months.