

EXPLANATORY NOTES

FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION ACT 2003

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COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

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Section 2: Offence of assisting a girl to mutilate her own genitalia

Section 3: Offence of assisting a non-UK person to mutilate overseas a girl's genitalia

Section 4: Extension of sections 1 to 3 to extra-territorial acts

Section 5: Penalties for offences

Section 6: Definitions

Section 7: Consequential provision

Section 8: Short title, commencement, extent and general saving

COMMENCEMENT

HANSARD REFERENCES