

These notes refer to the Drugs Act 2005 (c.17) which received Royal Assent on 7 April 2005

DRUGS ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Commentary on Sections

Part 2: Police Powers Relating to Drugs

Section 6: X-rays and ultrasounds scans: Northern Ireland

22. **Section 6** makes provision equivalent to section 5 for Northern Ireland. Section 6 inserts a new Article 56A into the [Police and Criminal Evidence \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1989 \(S.I. 1989/1341\)](#) dealing with the taking of x-rays and the carrying out of ultrasounds. The authorisation must be given by a police officer of at least the rank of superintendent.