

Drugs (Roadside Testing) Bill

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Make provision for roadside testing for illegal drugs; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Amendment of the Road Traffic Act 1988

- (1) Section 6C (preliminary drug test) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 is amended as follows.
- (2) After subsection (1) insert—
 - “(1A) The Secretary of State must approve a device for administering a preliminary drug test, as referred to in subsection (1)(b), within twelve months of the passing of the Drugs (Roadside Testing) Act 2011.”

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2 Amendment of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988

- (1) Part 1 (offences under the Traffic Acts) of Schedule 2 (prosecution and punishment of offences) of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 is amended as follows.
- (2) In column 5 (disqualification) of the row relating to RTA section 4(1), after “Obligatory” insert “, and in respect of drugs-related offences committed within three years after a previous conviction of an offence under RTA section 4, for a minimum period of twelve months for a first such offence and two years for any subsequent such offence”.

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3 Short title, commencement and extent

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Drugs (Roadside Testing) Act 2011.
- (2) This Act comes into force at the end of a period of three months beginning on the day on which this Act is passed.
- (3) This Act does not extend to Northern Ireland.

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