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Make provision for the parents of young offenders to be legally responsible for their actions.

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 Parental Responsibility

- (1) A person commits an offence if a child or young person for whom they have parental responsibility commits an offence but is not charged or subjected to a penalty.
- (2) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) shall be liable to the same charge or penalty as is specified in law for the offence committed by the young person. 5
- (3) In this section—
 - “child” has the meaning given by Section 99 of the Criminal Justice Act 1991, 10
 - “parental responsibility” has the meaning given by Section 3 of the Children Act 1989,
 - “young person” has the meaning given by Section 99 of the Criminal Justice Act 1991.

2 Short Title, Commencement and Extent 15

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Young Offenders (Parental Responsibility) Act 2013.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint.
- (3) This Act extends to England and Wales only. 20

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