

Death by Dangerous Driving (Sentencing) Bill

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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 Increase in maximum penalty for causing death by dangerous driving

- (1) Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 (prosecution and punishment of offences) is amended as follows.
- (2) In the entry relating to section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 (causing death by dangerous driving), in column 4, for “14 years” substitute “life imprisonment”.
- (3) This section does not affect the penalty for any offence committed before this section comes into force.

2 Extent, commencement and short title

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales only.
- (2) This Act comes into force at the end of the period of four weeks beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act may be cited as the Death by Dangerous Driving (Sentencing) Act 2020.

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