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Require a declaration relating to the use of animal research to be placed on medicinal products' labels.

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 Medicinal product labelling

- (1) All medicinal products' labels shall state that the product has been produced as a result of research on animals.

This label will be required on the individual packet of each medicinal product sold within the United Kingdom. 5

- (2) A pharmaceutical company is guilty of an offence if it fails to label its products under subsection (1) and is liable—

(a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum,

(b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine. 10

This penalty is applicable for each medicinal product sold or dispensed.

2 Definition

In this Act—

“medicinal product” means any drug, medicine or vaccine as listed in the British National Formulary whether prescribed or bought over the counter, where animals have been used at any stage of the development, production or manufacture of the medicinal product, or where animals have been used to assess its safety or efficacy; 15

“animal” refers to any animal, other than human, which is vertebrate.

3 Short title, commencement and extent 20

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Medicinal Labelling Act 2013.

- (2) This Act, with the exception of section 1(2), shall come into force on the day on which it is passed.
- (3) Section 1(2) shall come into force at the end of the period of six months beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (4) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Medicinal Labelling Bill [HL]

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