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Dear Tom and Simon,

LEGISLATIVE CONSENT MOTION

I am writing to notify you that, on 2 February 2026, the Northern Ireland Assembly agreed a Legislative Consent Motion relating to the Crime and Policing Bill, currently under consideration at Westminster.

I attach an extract from our Official Report for the relevant sitting. Full details can be found at:

<https://aims.niassembly.gov.uk/officialreport/report.aspx?&eveDate=2026/02/02&docID=468375#5356348>

Yours sincerely

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OFFICIAL REPORT – MONDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2026

Crime and Policing Bill: Legislative Consent Motion

Mrs. Long (The Minister of Justice): **I beg to move**

That this Assembly endorses the principle of the extension to Northern Ireland of the provisions of the Crime and Policing Bill, introduced as amendments in the House of Commons and House of Lords, dealing with an offence of child criminal exploitation and civil prevention orders (contained in Part 4, clauses 40 to 55 and Schedule 5); an enabling power for the Department for Infrastructure to make relevant regulations to restrict the granting of replacement driving licences to registered sex offenders in a new name (contained in clause 94(3)); a new offence of child sexual abuse image-generators (contained in clause 63); a new offence of child abduction by retention of a child abroad without appropriate consent (contained in clause 104); Stalking Protection Orders to be available on acquittal and conviction (contained in clauses 97 and 98); new stalking guidance about disclosure of information by the PSNI (contained in clause 100); power for law enforcement agencies to access remotely stored electronic data (contained in clauses 130 to 137 and 190 and Schedule 14); provision regarding the bulk and suspicious sales of knives (contained in clause 36); removal of supervision exemption from the definition of regulated activity (contained in clause 105); access to driver licensing information to expand the lawful purposes for which the police can access the DVLA driving license database (contained in clause 138); an enabling power to allow regulations to be made which will provide defences to certain offences for authorised testing of child sexual abuse related material (new clause to be inserted after clause 84); and new offences to criminalise the possession or publication of pornography portraying strangulation or suffocation (new clause to be inserted after clause 84).

Mrs. Long (The Minister of Justice): **I beg to move**

Amendment:

After 'clause 94' leave out '(3)' and insert '(2)'

Question put and agreed to.

Resolved:

That this Assembly endorses the principle of the extension to Northern Ireland of the provisions of the Crime and Policing Bill, introduced as amendments in the House of Commons and House of Lords, dealing with an offence of child criminal exploitation and civil prevention orders (contained in Part 4, clauses 40 to 55 and Schedule 5); an enabling power for the Department for Infrastructure to make relevant regulations to restrict the granting of replacement driving licences to registered sex offenders in a new name (contained in clause 94(2)); a new offence of child sexual abuse image-generators (contained in clause 63); a new offence of child abduction by retention of a child abroad without appropriate consent (contained in clause 104); Stalking Protection Orders to be available on acquittal and conviction (contained in clauses 97 and 98); new stalking guidance about disclosure of information by the PSNI

(contained in clause 100); power for law enforcement agencies to access remotely stored electronic data (contained in clauses 130 to 137 and 190 and Schedule 14); provision regarding the bulk and suspicious sales of knives (contained in clause 36); removal of supervision exemption from the definition of regulated activity (contained in clause 105); access to driver licensing information to expand the lawful purposes for which the police can access the DVLA driving license database (contained in clause 138); an enabling power to allow regulations to be made which will provide defences to certain offences for authorised testing of child sexual abuse related material (new clause to be inserted after clause 84); and new offences to criminalise the possession or publication of pornography portraying strangulation or suffocation (new clause to be inserted after clause 84).