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Prohibit sexual orientation and gender identity conversion therapy; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the King’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 Conversion therapy: prohibition

- (1) A person commits an offence if they practise, or offer to practise, conversion therapy.
- (2) In this Act, “conversion therapy” is any practice aimed at a person or group of people which demonstrates an assumption that any sexual orientation or gender identity is inherently preferable to another, and which has the intended purpose of attempting to—
 - (a) change a person’s sexual orientation or gender identity, or
 - (b) suppress a person’s expression of sexual orientation or gender identity.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

2 Extent, commencement and short title

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- (2) This Act comes into force at the end of the period of 6 months beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act may be cited as the Conversion Therapy Prohibition (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) Act 2024.

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