Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 11 of the Public Bodies Act 2011, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament after the expiry of the 40-day period referred to in section 11(4) of that Act.

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2012 No. XXXX

PUBLIC BODIES

The Public Bodies (Abolition of the National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts) Order 2012

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The Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1(1), 6(1) and (5) and 35(2) of the Public Bodies Act 2011(**1**) ("the Act").

The Secretary of State considers that this Order—

(a) serves the purpose of improving the exercise of public functions, having had regard to the factors set out in section 8(1) of the Act; and

(b) does not remove any necessary protection or prevent any person from continuing to exercise any right or freedom which that person might reasonably expect to continue to exercise.

The consent of the Scottish Parliament and the consent of the Northern Ireland Assembly have, so far as required, been obtained in accordance with section 9(1) and (3) of the Act.

The Secretary of State has consulted in accordance with section 10 of the Act.

The Secretary of State has consulted the Welsh Ministers in accordance with section 63(1) of the Government of Wales Act 2006(**2**).

A draft of this Order and an explanatory document containing the information required in section 11(2) of the Act have been laid before Parliament in accordance with section 11(1) after the end of the period of twelve weeks mentioned in section 11(3). In accordance with section 11(4) of the Act, the draft of this Order has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament after the expiry of the 40-day period referred to in that provision.

(**1**) 2011 c.24.
(**2**) 2006 c.32.

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Public Bodies (Abolition of the National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts) Order 2012.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), this Order shall come into force on 1st April 2012 or, if the Order is made on or after 1st April 2012, 28 days after the day on which it is made.

(3) Article 3(2) shall come into force on the day after that on which the other provisions of this Order come into force.

Abolition

2. The National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts, which was established by section 16 of the National Lottery Act 1998(**3**), is abolished.

Amendments

3.—(1) The consequential amendments and revocation which are set out in the Schedule shall have effect.

(2) In Schedule 1 to the Public Bodies Act 2011, the entry relating to the National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts is omitted.

Name
Minister of State
Date Department for Business, Innovation and Skills

(**3**) 1998 c.22.