Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 84(4) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2009 No.

NORTHERN IRELAND

The Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962 (Amendment) Order 2009

Made - - - -	*2009*
	in accordance with
Coming into force - -	*Article 1(2)*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the *** day of 2009

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

In accordance with section 7(3) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(**1**) the Electoral Commission has been consulted prior to this Order being laid before Parliament.

In accordance with section 84(4) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998(**2**) a draft of this Order has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 84(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962 (Amendment) Order 2009.

(2) This Order shall come into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

Amendment of four-year cycle for preparation of draft polling station schemes

2.—(1) The next draft polling station scheme prepared under section 65 of the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland)1962(**3**) (polling station schemes) is to be prepared in 2010 (and not 2009).

(**1**) 2000 c.41.
(**2**) 1998 c. 47; section 84 was amended by the Elections Act 2001 (c.7).
(**3**) 1962 c. 14 (N.I.); section 65 was amended, and subsection (1A) was inserted, by S.I. 1972/1264 (N.I. 13); it was then amended by S.I. 1972/1998 (N.I. 21). It was this latter Order that substituted in subsection (1A) the year 1973 for 1972.