Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 15(11)(b) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2006 No. 00

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

The Service Voters' Registration Period Order 2006

Made - - - -	*2006*
	in accordance with
Coming into force - -	*article 1(2)*

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 15(9) and (10) of the Representation of the People Act 1983(**1**).

In accordance with section 15(11)(a) of that Act he has consulted the Electoral Commission.

In accordance with section 15(11)(b) of that Act a draft of this instrument was laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Service Voters' Registration Period Order 2006.

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

(3) This Order does not extend to Northern Ireland.

Persons registered in a register of electors pursuant to a service declaration

2. Section 15(2)(a) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 shall have effect as regards the persons mentioned in section 14(1)(a) and (d) of that Act (members of the forces and their spouses or civil partners who have made a service declaration and are registered or entitled to be registered as electors in pursuance of it)(**2**), as if for "the period of 12 months" there were substituted "the period of 3 years".

(**1**) 1983 c.2. Section 15 was amended by paragraph 8 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c.2) and by paragraph 4(b) of Schedule 2 to S.I. 1995/1948. Subsections (9) to (12) of that section were added by section 13(1) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c.22).

(**2**) Section 14 was amended by paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 and paragraph 80 of Schedule 27 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c.33).