Draft Regulations laid before Parliament under section 201(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1983, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No.

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2003

Made - - - -	*2003*
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Whereas the Secretary of State has consulted the Electoral Commission in accordance with section 7(1) and (2)(e) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(**1**) about these Regulations;

And whereas a draft of these Regulations has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 10(4), 53 and 201(1) and (3) of, and paragraph 10(2) of Schedule 2 to, the Representation of the People Act 1983(**2**), having regard to the definition of "prescribed" in section 202(1) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on the expiry of 14 days beginning with the day on which they are made.

(2) These Regulations extend to Northern Ireland only.

Revocation

2. Regulation 4 of, and Schedule 2 to, the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2002(**3**) are hereby revoked.

(**1**) 2000 c. 41.
(**2**) 1983 c. 2; section 10 was substituted by Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2), section 201(3) was inserted by Schedule 1 to that Act and paragraph 10 of Schedule 2 was substituted by section 9 of that Act.
(**3**) S.I. 2002/1873.

Prescribed forms

3.—(1) The form in Part 1 of the Schedule to these Regulations is hereby prescribed for the purposes of section 10(4) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (form of annual canvass).

(2) The form of words in Part 2 of the Schedule to these Regulations is hereby specified for the purposes of paragraph 10(2) of Schedule 2 to the Representation of the People Act 1983 (provisions which may be contained in regulations as to registration etc.).

Amendment of provision about applications

4. In regulation 26(6) of the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2001(**4**) for "Part II of Schedule 2 to the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) (Regulations 2002" substitute "Part 2 of the Schedule to the Representation of the People (Form of Canvass) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2003".

Northern Ireland Office
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One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

(**4**) S.I. 2001/400; regulation 26(6) was inserted by regulation 10(7) of S.I. 2002/1873.