These notes refer to the Equality Act 2010 (c.15) which received Royal Assent on 8 April 2010

EQUALITY ACT 2010

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

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Examples

- A political party can have a women-only shortlist of potential candidates to represent a particular constituency in Parliament, provided women remain under-represented in the party's Members of Parliament.
- A political party cannot shortlist only black or Asian candidates for a local government byelection. However, if Asians are under-represented amongst a party's elected councillors on a particular Council, the party could choose to reserve a specific number of seats for Asian candidates on a by-election shortlist.