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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Resolution)*

This Resolution amends the Church Representation Rules as set out in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969.

The amendments ensure that the number of lay persons who form part of the worshipping community involved in a mission initiative in a diocese (under Part 7 of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011) is included in the calculation of the number of seats in the House of Laity of the General Synod to be allocated to that diocese.

The amendments provide for the establishment, revision and renewal of rolls for certain mission initiatives in each diocese. The numbers on each roll are to be notified to the diocesan secretary who in turn certifies the numbers to the Clerk to the General Synod.

Paragraph 2 amends the Church Representation Rules in the form they take before the commencement of Schedule 1 to the Church Representation and Ministers Measure 2019 (which replaced the Rules). These amendments ensure that the numbers can be collected, notified and certified in the period from September to November 2019, in time for the calculation of the number of seats there are to be in the elections to the House of Laity in 2020.

Paragraph 3 amends the Church Representation Rules in the form they will take following the commencement of Schedule 1 to the Church Representation and Ministers Measure 2019. These amendments ensure that the numbers on the rolls for mission initiatives will be included in the calculation to be made before the resolution allocating seats is passed by the General Synod at its group of sessions in February 2020. The amendments also require rolls for mission initiatives to continue to be maintained and for the numbers on the rolls to continue to be notified and certified.