### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2021 No. 1199

## **PUBLIC HEALTH**

The Coronavirus Act 2020 (Suspension: Disposal of Bodies) (England) Regulations 2021

Made - - - - 27th October 2021
Coming into force - - 28th October 2021

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 88(1)(1) and (5) of the Coronavirus Act 2020(2).

### Citation, commencement, application and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Coronavirus Act 2020 (Suspension: Disposal of Bodies) (England) Regulations 2021.
  - (2) These Regulations come into force on 28th October 2021.
  - (3) In these Regulations "the Act" means the Coronavirus Act 2020.

## **Suspension of Parts of Schedule 28**

**2.** Parts 1, 4 and 5 of Schedule 28 to the Act (and section 58 of the Act so far as it relates to those Parts) are suspended as they apply in England.

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27th October 2021

<sup>(1)</sup> See the definition of "relevant national authority" in section 88(7).

<sup>(</sup>**2**) 2020 c. 7.

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations suspend three parts of a Schedule to the Coronavirus Act 2020 (c. 7) ("the Act"). Regulation 2 suspends Parts 1 and 4 and 5 of Schedule 28, which provide powers to require information about capacity for the storage of dead bodies to address insufficient capacity to deal with transportation, storage or disposal of dead bodies or other human remains. These Parts extend and apply across the United Kingdom but are being suspended only in England. The suspension of the operation of these provisions means that they no longer have effect in England while the suspension remains in place. Having been suspended, these provisions are capable of being revived by regulations made under section 88(3) of the Act.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.