## DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2001 No.

## Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 2001

**26.** After paragraph 5 of Schedule 9 to the 1962 Act (corrupt practices) insert:

## "False statements in nomination papers, etc.

- **5A.** A person is guilty of a corrupt practice if he causes or permits to be included in a document delivered or otherwise furnished to a returning officer for use in connection with a local election—
  - (a) a statement of the name or home address of a candidate at the election which he knows to be false in any particular; or
  - (b) anything which purports to be the signature of an elector who proposes, seconds or assents to, the nomination of such a candidate but which he knows—
    - (i) was not written by the elector by whom it purports to have been written, or
    - (ii) if written by that elector, was not written by him for the purpose of signifying that he was proposing, seconding, or (as the case may be) assenting to, that candidate's nomination.".