



# Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020

## 2020 CHAPTER 25

### *Reports of the Boundary Commissions*

#### **1 Reports of the Boundary Commissions**

- (1) Section 3 of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 (referred to in this Act as “the 1986 Act”) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1) (duty on Boundary Commissions to submit reports to the Secretary of State), for “Secretary of State” substitute “Speaker of the House of Commons”.
- (3) For subsection (2) (deadline for reports) substitute—
  - “(2) Each Boundary Commission must submit a report under subsection (1)—
    - (a) before 1 July 2023,
    - (b) before 1 October 2031, and
    - (c) before 1 October of every eighth year after that.”
- (4) After subsection (2) insert—
  - “(2ZA) On submitting a report to the Speaker under subsection (1), a Boundary Commission must send a copy of it to the Secretary of State or the Minister for the Cabinet Office.
  - (2ZB) On receiving a report under subsection (1), the Speaker must lay it before Parliament.
  - (2ZC) As soon as reasonably practicable after a report of a Boundary Commission has been laid under subsection (2ZB), the Commission must publish it in such manner as they think fit.”
- (5) In subsection (2B)(a) (duty to submit progress reports to the Speaker), for “January that begins one year and nine months before that date” substitute “relevant January”.
- (6) After subsection (2B) insert—
  - “(2BA) For the purposes of subsection (2B), “the relevant January” means—

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- (a) January 2022, in the case of a report required by subsection (2) to be submitted before 1 July 2023, and
- (b) in the case of any other report required by subsection (2) to be submitted before a particular date, the January that begins one year and nine months before that date.

(For example, January 2030 in the case of a report required to be submitted before 1 October 2031).”

(7) Omit subsections (5) to (5C) (duty to lay reports and draft Order in Council).

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