

Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Act 2022

2022 CHAPTER 11

1 Repeal of the Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011

The Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011 is repealed.

2 Revival of prerogative powers to dissolve Parliament and to call a new Parliament

- (1) The powers relating to the dissolution of Parliament and the calling of a new Parliament that were exercisable by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative immediately before the commencement of the Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011 are exercisable again, as if the Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011 had never been enacted.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the powers relating to the calling of a new Parliament include powers to order the issue of—
 - (a) writs of summons to attend the House of Lords, and
 - (b) writs for parliamentary elections (see rule 3 in Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 1983).

3 Non-justiciability of revived prerogative powers

A court or tribunal may not question—

- (a) the exercise or purported exercise of the powers referred to in section 2,
- (b) any decision or purported decision relating to those powers, or
- (c) the limits or extent of those powers.

4 Automatic dissolution of Parliament after five years

If it has not been dissolved earlier, a Parliament dissolves at the beginning of the day that is the fifth anniversary of the day on which it first met.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

5 Minor and consequential amendments and savings

- (1) The Schedule contains minor and consequential amendments.
- (2) The repeal of the Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011 by section 1 does not affect the amendments and repeals made by the Schedule to that Act.

6 Extent, commencement and short title

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, subject to subsection (2).
- (2) An amendment, repeal or revocation made by this Act has the same extent as the provision amended, repealed or revoked.
- (3) This Act comes into force on the day on which it is passed.
- (4) This Act may be cited as the Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Act 2022.