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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2000 No. 2852**

**The Local Authorities (Referendums) (Petitions and Directions) (England) Regulations 2000**

**PART I**  
**GENERAL**

**Citation, commencement and extent**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Local Authorities (Referendums) (Petitions and Directions) (England) Regulations 2000 and shall come into force on 16th November 2000.

(2) These Regulations extend to England only and, accordingly, references in these Regulations to a local authority are references to a local authority in England<sup>(1)</sup>.

**General interpretation**

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Local Government Act 2000; and

“outline fall-back proposals” means an outline of the proposals that a local authority intend to implement if proposals that are to be the subject of a referendum under Part II or Part III of these Regulations are rejected in that referendum.

(2) Except in the definition of “proper officer” in regulation 3(1), any reference in these Regulations to a section followed by a number is a reference to the section bearing that number in the Act.

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(1) See the definition of “local authority” in section 48(1) of the Local Government Act 2000.