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SCHEDULE

Consequential Amendments to Acts of Parliament

Wills Act 1837

- 1.—(1) The Wills Act 1837(1) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 18(2) (will to be revoked by marriage)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), for "(4)" substitute "(5)", and
 - (b) after subsection (4) insert—
 - "(5) Nothing in this section applies in the case of a marriage which results from—
 - (a) the conversion of a civil partnership into a marriage under section 9 of the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 and regulations made under that section; or
 - (b) the changing of a civil partnership formed under Part 3 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004 into a marriage under—
 - (i) the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977(3);
 - (ii) the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014; or
 - (iii) any order made under section 104 of the Scotland Act 1998 in consequence of the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014.".
- (3) After section 18C(4) insert—

"Effect on subsisting will of conversion of civil partnership into marriage

18D.—(1) The conversion of a civil partnership into a marriage does not—

- (a) revoke any will made by a party to the civil partnership before the conversion; or
- (b) affect any disposition in such a will.

(2) The conversion of a civil partnership into a marriage does not affect any previous application of section 18B(2) to (6) to—

- (a) a will made by a party to the civil partnership before the conversion; or
- (b) a disposition in such a will.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are subject to subsection (4).

(4) Any reference in a will to a civil partnership or civil partners (howsoever expressed) is to be read in relation to any civil partnership that has been converted into a marriage, or civil partners who have converted their civil partnership into a marriage, as referring to that marriage or married couple, as appropriate.

- (5) Subsection (4) is subject to any contrary intention appearing from the will.
- (6) In this section "conversion" means-
 - (a) the conversion of a civil partnership into a marriage under section 9 of the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 and regulations made under that section;
 - (b) the changing of a civil partnership formed under Part 3 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004 into a marriage under—

⁽**1**) 1837 c. 26.

⁽²⁾ Section 18 was substituted in relation to England and Wales by the Administration of Justice Act 1982 (c. 53) section 18(1).

⁽**3**) 1977 c. 15.

⁽⁴⁾ Section 18C was inserted by the Civil Partnership Act 2004, Schedule 4, paragraphs 1, 2 and 5.

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- (i) the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977;
- (ii) the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014; or
- (iii) any order made under section 104 of the Scotland Act 1998 in consequence of the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014, and

"converted" is to be read accordingly.".