



# 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The Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011 is repealed.

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#### Commencement Information

**11** S. 1 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 6\(3\)](#)

### 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).

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#### Commencement Information

**12** S. 2 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 6\(3\)](#)

### 3 Non-justiciability of revived prerogative powers

A court or tribunal may not question—

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- (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.

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**Commencement Information**

**I3** S. 3 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 6\(3\)](#)

#### **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.

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**Commencement Information**

**I4** S. 4 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 6\(3\)](#)

#### **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.

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**Commencement Information**

**I5** S. 5 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 6\(3\)](#)

#### **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.

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**Commencement Information**

**I6** S. 6 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 6\(3\)](#)

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