



# House of Commons (Removal of Clergy Disqualification) Act 2001

## 2001 CHAPTER 13

### **1 Removal of disqualification of clergy**

- (1) A person is not disqualified from being or being elected as a member of the House of Commons merely because he has been ordained or is a minister of any religious denomination.
- (2) But a person is disqualified from being or being elected as a member of that House if he is a Lord Spiritual.
- (3) Accordingly—
  - (a) Schedule 1 (which makes amendments consequential on this section) has effect, and
  - (b) the enactments mentioned in Schedule 2 (which relate to the disqualification of clergy from membership of the House of Commons) are repealed to the extent specified in that Schedule.

### **2 Short title and extent**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the House of Commons (Removal of Clergy Disqualification) Act 2001.
- (2) Any amendment contained in Schedule 1 or repeal contained in Schedule 2 has the same extent as the enactment to which it relates.
- (3) Subject to that, this Act extends to Northern Ireland.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the House of Commons (Removal of Clergy Disqualification) Act 2001.