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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 581**

**The Representation of the People (Electronic Communications and Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2020**

**PART 2**

**Amendments to the Representation of the People Acts**

**Section 10 (maintenance of registers: duty to conduct canvass in Northern Ireland)**

- 4.—(1) Section 10(1) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (4A), for “subsection (4B)” substitute “subsections (4B) and (4BZA)”.
- (3) After subsection (4B) insert—
- “**(4BZA)** The requirement mentioned in subsection (4A)(a) above does not apply to forms that are submitted through the UK digital service.”.
- (4) For subsection (7) substitute —
- “(7) In this section—
- “residence” means residence for the purposes of section 4 above;
- “the UK digital service” has the same meaning as in section 10ZF below, and references to submitting a form through the UK digital service shall be construed in accordance with subsection (4) of that section.”.

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(1) Section 10 was substituted by paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2); amended by section 1(2) of the Electoral Fraud (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (c. 13); amended by paragraphs 5 and 105 of Schedule 1 to the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22); amended by section 2 of the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 33); amended by paragraph 9 of Schedule 4 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (c. 6); amended by sections 13 and 14(1)(a)(iv) of the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 (c. 13); and amended in consequence of the amendments made to section 78(2) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 by S.I. 2014/1116.