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“CHANNEL ISLANDS (CHURCH LEGISLATION) MEASURE, 1931” (21 and 22 Geo.V. No. 4) ET “CHANNEL ISLANDS (REPRESENTATION) MEASURE, 1931” (21 and 22 Geo.V. No. 5).

(Registered on 12th December, 1931).

At the Court at Buckingham Palace.

The 26th day of October, 1931.

PRESENT.

The King’s Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IT is this day ordered by His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, that printed copies of the following named Measures be transmitted to the Royal Court of the Island of Jersey, viz. : -

21 and 22 George V, No. 4, “The Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931,” and

21 and 22 George V, No. 5, “The Channel Islands (Representation) Measure, 1931.”

And it is hereby further ordered that the said Measures be registered and published in the Island of Jersey, not as being essential to their operation therein, but that His Majesty’s subjects in the said Island may have notice of the said Measures having passed, and that they are bound thereby.

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AND the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, and also the Bailiff and Jurats of the Royal Court, of the Island of Jersey, are to give the necessary directions therein as to them may respectively appertain.

M.P.A. HANKEY

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**CHANNEL ISLANDS (CHURCH LEGISLATION) MEASURE, 1931
21 & 22 Geo. V. No. 4**

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MEASURE

PASSED BY

The National Assembly of the Church of England

To make further provision for the application to the Channel Islands of Measures passed by the Church Assembly.

[8th July 1931]

INTERPRETATION

1. In this Measure –

the expression “the Islands” means (a) the Island of Jersey; and (b) the Island and Bailiwick of Guernsey and its dependencies; and references to each or either of the Islands shall be construed accordingly;

the expression “the States” means the States of Deliberation of each Island as constituted from time to time;

the expression “the Bishop” means the Bishop of Winchester for the time being;

the expression “the Decanal Conference” means for each Island an assembly of clergy and laity recognised by the Bishop as the Decanal Conference of that Island, and consisting of clergy and lay persons of which persons some shall be lay representatives elected in accordance with the Channel Islands (Representation) Measure, 1931.

APPLICATION OF FUTURE MEASURES¹

2. Any Measure receiving the Royal Assent after the passing of this Measure, which contains an express provision that it may be applied to the Islands, or either of them, in accordance with this Measure, may * * * * *² be so applied in accordance with the procedure set out in the Schedule hereto.

APPLICATION OF PAST MEASURES

3. Any Measure which has received the Royal Assent before the passing of this Measure may * * * * *³ be applied in like manner.

¹ See Synodical Government (Channel Islands) Order 1970 (Volume 1970–1972, page 25).

² Words repealed by the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931 (Amendment) Measure, 1957 (Volume 1957–1960, page 311).

³ Words repealed by the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931 (Amendment) Measure, 1957 (Volume 1957–1960, page 311).

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VARIATION OF MEASURES APPLIED

4. Any Measure so applied shall, as from the date of the Order in Council referred to in the Schedule hereto, be deemed to include, with regard to each Island to which it is so applied, the variations (if any) contained in the scheme relating thereto.

SAVING FOR OTHER METHODS OF PROCEDURE

5. Nothing in this Measure shall affect –

- (a) any procedure for applying Measures to the Islands, or either of them, other than the procedure hereby authorised; or
- (b) the direct application to the Islands, or either of them of Measures or parts of Measures dealing exclusively with the formularies of the Church of England or the spiritual rights or privileges of its members.

SHORT TITLE

6. This Measure may be cited as the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931.

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SCHEDULE

1. If and whenever the Bishop comes to the conclusion that a Measure ought to be applied either wholly or partly and either with or without variations to the Islands or either of them, he may prepare a draft scheme for the purpose.

2. In coming to such conclusion and in preparing the draft scheme the Bishop shall proceed in consultation with the Decanal Conference of the Island concerned, or, if the scheme relates to both the Islands, with the Decanal Conferences of both.

3. The Bishop shall before the draft scheme is finally settled send particulars of what is proposed to be effected thereby to the Secretary of State for the Home Department in order that they may be communicated to the States of the Island concerned, or of the Islands, as the case may be, for the ascertainment of their views thereon.

4. The scheme when finally settled shall be presented by the Bishop to the Church Assembly, who may, by resolution, approve or reject it, but shall not have power to amend it. No such resolution shall be passed by the Church Assembly unless the scheme to which it refers has been in the hands of its members for at least [fifteen days].⁴

5. If the scheme is approved by the Church Assembly, it shall be forwarded forthwith to the said Secretary of State for submission to His Majesty in Council, and His Majesty in Council may thereupon make an Order confirming the scheme and directing that the Measure shall apply to the Island concerned, or to the Islands, as the case may be, in accordance with the scheme.

⁴ Words substituted by the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931 (Amendment) Measure, 1957, (Volume 1957–1960, page 311).

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**CHANNEL ISLANDS (REPRESENTATION) MEASURE, 1931.
21 & 22 Geo. V. No. 5**

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MEASURE

PASSED BY

The National Assembly of the Church of England

To provide for the representation of the Channel Islands in the House of Laity and in the Diocesan Conference of the Diocese of Winchester.

[8th July 1931.]

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the Channel Islands are perpetually annexed and united to the Diocese of Winchester and have no direct representation in the House of Laity or in the Diocesan Conference of the Diocese of Winchester, and it is expedient that they should have such direct representation, and that the procedure for effecting the same should be adapted to the special conditions prevailing in those Islands:

INTERPRETATION

1. In this Measure –

the expression “the Islands” means (a) the Island of Jersey, and (b) the Island and Bailiwick of Guernsey and its dependencies; and references to each or either of the Islands shall be construed accordingly;

the expression “the Bishop” means the Bishop of Winchester for the time being;

the expression “the Diocesan Conference” means the Diocesan Conference of the Diocese of Winchester;

the expression “the Decanal Conference” means for each Island an assembly recognised by the Bishop as the Decanal Conference of that Island and consisting of clergy and lay persons of which persons some shall be lay representatives elected in accordance with this Measure; or, until such Decanal Conference has been constituted, the Assembly recognised by the Bishop as the Decanal Conference of that Island.

REPRESENTATION OF THE CHANNEL ISLANDS IN THE HOUSE OF LAITY

2. Provided that a Decanal Conference is in being and the provisions of sections three, four and five of this Measure are complied with, each Island shall be entitled to have one representative in the House of Laity, and shall be a separate electoral area for that purpose.

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DUTIES OF DECANAL CONFERENCES

3. The Decanal Conference of each Island shall –

- (a) provide for the forming, keeping and revising of a church electoral roll for that Island and the election of lay members of the Decanal Conference;
- (b) elect representatives both clerical and lay to the Diocesan Conference in accordance with directions given by that conference; and
- (c) elect, through its lay members, one member of the House of Laity.

4. A lay person shall be entitled to have his name entered on the church electoral roll of either Island, if he –

- (a) is baptised;
- (b) is a member of the Church of England or another Church of the Anglican Communion or an overseas Church in communion with the Church of England, and is not a member of any other religious body which is not in communion with the Church of England;
- (c) is of seventeen years or upwards;
- (d) is resident in the Island; and
- (e) has signed the form of application for enrolment set out in the Schedule to this Measure.]⁵

ELECTION OF LAY REPRESENTATIVES ON DECANAL CONFERENCES

5. Lay representatives on the Decanal Conference of each Island shall be elected annually, not later in the year than in Easter week or in the following week, by the persons whose names are entered upon the church electoral roll of that Island. The number of such representatives, the manner of their election, and the areas which they are to represent, shall be determined for each Island by the Decanal Conference.

ALL LAY REPRESENTATIVES TO BE LAY COMMUNICANTS

6. All lay representatives (whether in the House of Laity, or in the Diocesan Conference, or in the Decanal Conference) shall be actual lay communicant members of the Church of England of [eighteen]⁶ years of age and upwards.

POWER TO DECANAL CONFERENCES TO MAKE RULES

7. Subject to the provisions of this Measure, the Decanal Conference shall have power to make rules for giving effect to the purposes expressed in section three hereof and for settling its own procedure, and from time to time to vary or

⁵ Section substituted by Synodical Government (Channel Islands) Order, 1970 (Volume 1970–1972, page 29).

⁶ Word substituted by Synodical Government (Channel Islands) Order 1970 (Volume 1970–1972, page 30).

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rescind the same, provided that such rules and any variation or rescission of the same shall require the approval of the Bishop, who shall have regard to the provisions of the Constitution of the Church Assembly, including the rules for the representation of the laity; and shall take effect only from the date when such approval is given.

SHORT TITLE

8. This Measure may be cited as the Channel Islands (Representation) Measure, 1931.

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SCHEDULE

[APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT ON CHURCH
ELECTORAL ROLL

I (..... (Full Christian name and
surname) of
(Full postal address) declare: -

- (i) I am baptised.
- (ii) I am a member of the Church of England
or
I am a member of
being a Church of the Anglican Communion or an
overseas Church in communion with the Church of
England.*
- (iii) I am not a member of any other religious body which is
not in communion with the Church of England.
- (iv) I have attained the age of seventeen years.
- (v) I am resident in the Island of
- (vi) My name is not on the Church electoral roll of any parish
in the Diocese of Winchester.

I hereby apply to have my name entered on the Church electoral
roll of the Island of

Signed

Date

*Strike out whichever is not applicable.]⁷

⁷ Form substituted by the Synodical Government (Channel Islands) Order 1970 (Volume 1970–1972, page 30).