GENERAL SYNOD

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) MEASURE

REPORT OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF MEMBERS IN CHARGE

Chair: The Venerable Trevor Jones, Archdeacon of Hertford (St Albans)

Members: Mr Joseph Brookfield (Blackburn)
The Reverend Paul Collier (Southwark)
Mr James Humphery (Salisbury)
Ms Jacqueline Humphreys (Bristol)
Mr Hugh Privett (Salisbury)

1. The draft Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure ('the draft Measure') received First Consideration from the General Synod at the February 2008 group of sessions and was committed to a Revision Committee. At the July 2008 group of sessions the Synod took note of the report of that Committee (GS 1683Y) and completed the Revision Stage for the draft Measure, which then stood committed to the Steering Committee under Standing Order 59(a) in respect of its Final Drafting.

2. The Steering Committee has conducted its remaining business by correspondence under Standing Order 59(f). It now returns the draft Measure (GS 1683B) to the Synod for Final Drafting and Final Approval.

3. Under Standing Order 59, on the Final Drafting Stage the Steering Committee may propose 'Drafting Amendments' or 'Special Amendments' or both. These two categories of amendments are defined in SO 59(g) as follows –

   (i) a Drafting Amendment means an amendment where only the wording of the Measure is altered and not its substance; and

   (ii) a Special Amendment means an amendment considered necessary or desirable by the Steering Committee because the Measure is not sufficiently clear or because some other criticism not considered by the Synod or any Revision Committee has been brought to the notice of the Steering Committee.

4. The Steering Committee has agreed the Drafting Amendments to the draft Measure set out in the Appendix to this report, and shown in bold type in GS 1683B, which have been identified on final scrutiny of the draft Measure to be necessary as minor corrections to the text.

5. The Steering Committee has no Special Amendments to propose.

On behalf of the Committee
Trevor Jones **9th December 2008**
Chair

APPENDIX

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DRAFTING AMENDMENTS

Clause 6

Omit subsection (b).

Clause 10

In subsection (2), **insert** new heading to section 43 of the Cathedrals Measure 1963 as follows—

"**Further provisions as to Oxford**".

Clause 12

Immediately before the word "who" **insert** "person".

Schedule 1

In paragraph 3(a), after the words "Commissioners" **insert** ", in the first place where it occurs,".

In paragraph 4, at the end **add** "and, in subsection (3), for the word "them" there shall be substituted the word "it" and for the word "are" there shall be substituted the word "is"".

In paragraph 9, at the beginning of each definition **insert** "the expression".

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