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Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 240(6) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

## DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2008 No. XXXX

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Bedfordshire (Structural Changes) Order 2008

Made - - - - \*\*\* March 2008

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

This Order implements, without modification, proposals, submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government under section 2 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007(1), that there should be a single tier of local government for the county of Bedfordshire.

The proposals were made-

- (a) by Bedford Borough Council, as to the borough of Bedford, and
- (b) by Mid Bedfordshire District Council and South Bedfordshire District Council, as to the rest of Bedfordshire.

The Secretary of State did not make a request under section 4 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (request for Boundary Committee for England's advice).

Before making the Order the Secretary of State consulted the following about the proposals—

- (c) every authority affected by the proposal (except the authorities which made them); and
- (d) other persons the Secretary of State considered appropriate.

A draft of this Order was laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament in accordance with section 240(6) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government makes this Order in the exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7, 11, 12, and 13 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007:

<sup>(1) 2007</sup> c.28. See section 21(3) as to proposals made in response to pre-commencement invitations, and section 23(3).