## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Northern Ireland Assembly (Elections) Order 2001

## **By-elections**

- 7.—(1) This article applies where the Chief Electoral Officer has been notified by—
  - (a) an election court or the High Court under section 144 or 146 of the 1983 Act, as applied by article 3 of, and Schedule 1 to, this Order, or
- (b) the presiding officer of the Assembly under section 35(3) of the 1998 Act, that a vacancy exists in the seat of a member of the Assembly and either the conditions in article 6(1)(b) and (c) above are not satisfied or no person has been declared a member to fill the vacancy under article 6(4) above.
- (2) Where this article applies, the Chief Electoral Officer shall set a date as the date of the poll for a by-election to fill the vacancy.