STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 1096

DEFENCE

The Armed Forces Act 2006 (Continuation) Order 2025

Made - - - - 15th October 2025

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 15th day of October 2025

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

A draft of this Order has been laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly, His Majesty, on the advice of His Privy Council and in exercise of the power conferred by section 382(2) of the Armed Forces Act 2006(**1**), makes the following Order.

Citation and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Armed Forces Act 2006 (Continuation) Order 2025.

(2) This Order extends to England and Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands(**2**) and the British overseas territories (except Gibraltar).

Continuation of the Armed Forces Act 2006

2. The Armed Forces Act 2006 shall, instead of expiring at the end of 14th December 2025, expire at the end of 14th December 2026.

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

(**1**) 2006 c. 52; section 382 was substituted by section 1 of the Armed Forces Act 2021 (c. 35).

(**2**) Section 378(1) of, and paragraph 149 of Schedule 16 to, the Armed Forces Act 2006 were extended to the Channel Islands by S.I. 2009/3215 and S.I. 2010/765.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Section 382 of the Armed Forces Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act") provides that the 2006 Act will expire at the end of one year beginning with the day on which the Armed Forces Act 2021 ("the 2021 Act") was passed, unless continued in force by Order in Council in accordance with that section. The 2021 Act was passed on 15th December 2021. The Armed Forces Act 2006 (Continuation) Order 2024 (S.I. 2024/1120) provided for the continuation of the 2006 Act for a period of 12 months. This Order provides for the continuation of the 2006 Act for a further period of 12 months, so that it expires at the end of 14th December 2026.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, public or voluntary sector is foreseen.