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TO

Enable electors in the precincts of a polling station before the time designated for the closing of the poll to vote; and for connected purposes.

**B**E IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

**1 Entitlement to vote at close of poll**

- (1) Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 1983 is amended as follows.
- (2) In Rule 1, after “Table” insert “and Rules 1A and 1B”.
- (3) At the end of Rule 1, insert—

“1A Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 43 (Procedure on close of poll), at a general election, by-election or local government election all electors who are entitled to vote at a polling station and who are in the precincts of that polling station at the close of the poll must be issued with a ballot paper and must be allowed to vote. 5

1B The appropriate Presiding Officer, Returning Officer or Acting Returning Officer must determine the limits of the precincts of the polling station.”. 10

**2 Short Title**

This Act may be cited as the Electoral Law (Amendment) Act 2011.

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