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An Act to make provision for the alternative exercise of the ecclesiastical functions of the Prime Minister when that office is held by a person who is not a member of the Church of England. A.D. 1998.

BE 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:—

5 1. In the event of the office of Prime Minister being held by a person who is not a member of the Church of England it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to make provision for the exercise of any ecclesiastical functions normally performed by the Prime Minister, including any functions relating to the disposal of any office or preferment in the Church of England, to be performed by any other Minister of the Crown. Exercise of ecclesiastical functions.

Where the Prime Minister is not an adherent of the Roman Catholic faith the power to make provision under this section may only be exercised with the agreement of the Prime Minister.

15 2. This Act may be cited as the Prime Minister (Ecclesiastical Functions) Act 1998. Short title.

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