STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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PRISONS

THE ENGLAND AND WALES

Eligibility for Release on Licence Order 1983

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - 29*th December* 1983

Coming into Operation 1*st July* 1984

Whereas a draft of this Order has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 60(1A) and (1B) of the Criminal Justice Act 1967(**a**), I hereby make the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Eligibility for Release on Licence Order 1983 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1984.

(2) This Order shall not extend to Scotland.

2. In section 60(1) of the Criminal Justice Act 1967(**b**) "the specified period" shall mean six months.

Leon Brittan,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office.
29th December 1983.

(**a**) 1967 c.80; subsections (1A) and (1B) of section 60 were inserted by the Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c.48), section 33(*a*)(ii).
(**b**) Section 60(1) was amended by the Criminal Justice Act 1982, section 33(*a*)(i) and Schedule 14, paragraph 18(*a*) and qualified by the Criminal Justice Act 1972 (c.71), section 35.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

Section 60(1) of the Criminal Justice Act 1967 empowers the Secretary of State to release on licence a person serving a determinate sentence of imprisonment or a youth custody sentence after he has served not less than one-third of his sentence or a specified period, whichever expires the later. This Order reduces that specified period from twelve months to six months, as from 1st July 1984.

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