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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2022 No. 362**

**The Coronavirus Act 2020 (Delay in Expiry: Inquests, Courts and Tribunals, and Statutory Sick Pay) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2022**

**Delay in expiry of certain provisions of the Coronavirus Act 2020 relating to inquests, criminal proceedings and public participation in proceedings conducted by video or audio**

- 2.—(1) The provisions of the Coronavirus Act 2020 mentioned in paragraph (2)—
- (a) do not expire at the time when they would otherwise expire<sup>(1)</sup>, and
  - (b) instead expire at the end of the period of six months beginning with 25th March 2022.
- (2) Those provisions are—
- (a) section 30 (suspension of requirement to hold inquest with jury: England and Wales);
  - (b) section 53 and Schedule 23 (expansion of availability of live links in criminal proceedings);
  - (c) section 54 and Schedule 24 (expansion of availability of live links in other criminal hearings);
  - (d) section 55 and Schedule 25 (public participation in proceedings conducted by video or audio).

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<sup>(1)</sup> The provisions mentioned in regulation 2(2) would, without these Regulations, expire at the end of 24th March 2022 (see section 89 of the Coronavirus Act 2020 (“the Act”).