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### **Women entitled to ordination since 1919**

Fifteen bishops ask that legislation be prepared to permit the ordination of women. They should be aware that such legislation is already on the statute book and has been for more than sixty years. The Act in question is the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act 1919. Not merely does this *permit* the ordination of women, it renders it unlawful to refuse it. The wording is: 'A person shall not be disqualified by sex or marriage from the exercise of any public function . . . or from entering or assuming or carrying on any civil profession or vocation'.<sup>1</sup>

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