



# Scottish Elections (Reform) Act 2020

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### PART 1

#### GENERAL REFORMS

##### *Term lengths*

#### **1 Dates of general elections to the Scottish Parliament**

- (1) In the Scotland Act 1998—
- (a) in section 2 (ordinary general elections)—
    - (i) subsection (1) is repealed,
    - (ii) in subsection (2), for the words from the beginning to “fourth” substitute “ The day on which the poll at an ordinary general election for membership of the Parliament is to be held is the first Thursday in May in the fifth ”,
  - (b) in the table in paragraph 1(2) of schedule 7 (procedure for subordinate legislation), the entry relating to section 2(1) is repealed.
- (2) Section 1 of the Scottish Elections (Dates) Act 2016 (date of general election for Scottish Parliament) is repealed.

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** [S. 1](#) in force at 1.10.2020 by [S.S.I. 2020/278](#), [reg. 2](#), [sch.](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Scottish Elections (Reform) Act 2020, Section 1.