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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 14

Section 118.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 14 modified (16.2.2011) by [Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011 \(c. 1\)](#), s. 19(1), **Sch. 1 para. 17(3)(b)**
- C2** Sch. 14 modified (1.2.2016) by [European Union Referendum Act 2015 \(c. 36\)](#), s. 13(2), **Sch. 1 para. 25**; S.I. 2016/69, reg. 2
- C3** Sch. 14 modified (1.2.2016) by [European Union Referendum Act 2015 \(c. 36\)](#), s. 13(2), **Sch. 1 para. 22**; S.I. 2016/69, reg. 2

LIMITS ON REFERENDUM EXPENSES BY PERMITTED PARTICIPANTS

Limits in relation to referendums held throughout United Kingdom

- 1 (1) This paragraph imposes limits in relation to a referendum falling within section 101(1)(a).
- (2) The limit on referendum expenses incurred by or on behalf of a permitted participant during the referendum period in the case of such a referendum is—
- (a) £5 million in the case of a person or body designated under section 108;
 - (b) in the case of a registered party falling within section 105(1)(a) but not designated under section 108—
 - (i) £5 million, if the party's relevant percentage exceeds 30 per cent,
 - (ii) £4 million, if the party's relevant percentage is more than 20 per cent. but not more than 30 per cent,
 - (iii) £3 million, if the party's relevant percentage is more than 10 per cent. but not more than 20 per cent,
 - (iv) £2 million, if the party's relevant percentage is more than 5 per cent. but not more than 10 per cent,
 - (v) £500,000, if the party's relevant percentage is not more than 5 per cent. or if it has no relevant percentage; and
 - (c) £500,000 in the case of a person or body falling within section 105(1)(b) but not designated under section 108.
- (3) For the purposes of this paragraph—
- (a) a registered party has a relevant percentage in relation to a referendum to which this paragraph applies if, at the last parliamentary general election taking place before the referendum, votes were cast for one or more candidates at the election authorised to use the party's registered name; and
 - (b) the amount of its relevant percentage is equal to the percentage of the total number of votes cast for all candidates at that election which is represented

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by the total number of votes cast for the candidate or candidates mentioned in paragraph (a).

- (4) Where at any such general election a candidate was authorised to use the registered name of more than one registered party, then for the purposes of sub-paragraph (3) (b) as it applies in relation to each of those parties, the number of votes cast for the candidate shall be taken to be the total number cast for him divided by the number of parties.
- (5) In this paragraph any reference to a parliamentary general election is to one taking place after the passing of this Act.

Commencement Information

- II** Sch. 14 wholly in force at 16.2.2001; Sch. 14 partly in force at Royal Assent, see s. 163(3); Sch. 14 in force in so far as not already in force at 16.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/222](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. I](#) (subject to transitional provisions in [Sch. 1 Pt. II](#))

Limits in relation to referendums held in particular parts of United Kingdom

- 2 (1) This paragraph imposes limits in relation to a referendum to which this Part applies, other than one falling within section 101(1)(a).
- (2) The limit on referendum expenses incurred by or on behalf of a permitted participant during the referendum period in the case of such a referendum is such amount as the Secretary of State may by order prescribe.
- (3) Different amounts may be so prescribed for different referendums or different categories of permitted participants.
- (4) Before making an order under this paragraph the Secretary of State shall seek, and have regard to, the views of the Commission.
- (5) Where the Secretary of State proposes to make such an order otherwise than in accordance with the views of the Commission, he shall on laying a draft of a statutory instrument containing the order before each House of Parliament also lay before each House a statement of his reasons for departing from the views of the Commission.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C4** Sch. 14(2) applied (with modifications) (23.7.2004) by [The Regional Assembly and Local Government Referendums Order 2004 \(S.I. 2004/1962\)](#), [art. 7\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. 2](#)

Commencement Information

- I2** Sch. 14 wholly in force at 16.2.2001; Sch. 14 partly in force at Royal Assent, see s. 163(3); Sch. 14 in force in so far as not already in force at 16.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/222](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. I](#) (subject to transitional provisions in [Sch. 1 Pt. II](#))

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