
DRAFT SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No.

**The Crofting Commission (Elections)
(Scotland) Regulations 2011**

PART V

OFFENCES

Offences relating to applications for absent and proxy votes

- 57.**—(1) A person commits an offence if he or she—
- (a) engages in an act specified in paragraph (2) at an election; and
 - (b) intends, by doing so, to deprive another of an opportunity to vote or to make for himself or herself or another a gain of a vote to which he or she or the other is not otherwise entitled or a gain of money or property.
- (2) These acts are—
- (a) applying for an absent or proxy vote as some other person (whether that other person is living or dead or is a fictitious person);
 - (b) otherwise making a false statement in, or in connection with, an application for an absent or proxy vote;
 - (c) inducing the registration officer or returning officer to send a postal ballot paper or any communication relating to an absent or proxy vote to an address which has not been agreed to by the elector;
 - (d) causing a communication relating to an absent or proxy vote or containing a postal ballot paper not to be delivered to the intended recipient.
- (3) A person who aids, abets, counsels or procures the commission of an offence under paragraph (1) commits an offence.