

Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 197(3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE, ENGLAND

**The Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of
Candidates' Election Expenses)(City of London) Order 2005**

Made - - - - 2005
Coming into force - - 2005

The First Secretary of State, being of the opinion that there has been a change in the value of money since 16th March 1997 justifying the variations made by this Order, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 197(3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983(1) hereby makes the following Order, of which a draft has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses)(City of London) Order 2005 and shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

Interpretation

2. In this Order "the 1983 Act" means the Representation of the People Act 1983.

Variation of expenses limits at ward elections

3. In section 197(1) of the 1983 Act(2), the maximum amount of a candidate's election expenses at a ward election in the City of London shall be varied by substituting for the amounts "£219" and "4.3p", the amounts "£266" and "5.2p", respectively.

(1) 1983 c.2; section 197(3) was amended by the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50), section 24 and Schedule 4, paragraph 67(b).
(2) The amounts in section 197(1) are as substituted by S.I. 1997/879.

Variation of expenses limits at elections by liverymen in common hall

4. In section 197(2) of the 1983 Act⁽³⁾, the maximum amount of a candidate's election expenses at an election by liverymen in common hall shall be varied by substituting for the amount "23.3p", the amount "28.3p".

Signed by authority of the First Secretary of State

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Minister of State
Office of the Deputy Prime Minister

(3) 1983 c.2; section 197(2) was amended by the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50), section 24 and Schedule 4, paragraph 67(a) and the amount in section 197(2) is as substituted by S.I. 1997/879.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order increases the maximum amounts of candidates' election expenses at a ward election (article 3) and an election by liverymen in common hall (article 4) in the City of London.

The increases are such as are justified by the change in the value of money since the last occasion on which those maximum amounts were fixed. The last occasion on which those maximum amounts were fixed was 16th March 1997, when the Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1997 (S.I. 1997/879) was made.

In the case of a ward election, the maximum amount of a candidate's election expenses is made up of a fixed amount (expressed in pounds) plus a sum expressed in pence (and fractions of pence) for each elector included in the ward list to be used at the election. In the case of an election by liverymen in common hall, the maximum amount of a candidate's election expenses is calculated by allowing an amount in pence (and fractions of pence) for every elector on the common hall register to be used at the election.