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# Representation of the People Act 1983

# **1983 CHAPTER 2**

## PART III

#### LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Procedure on all election petitions

#### [<sup>F1</sup>151 Report on withdrawal.

- (1) In every case of the withdrawal—
  - (a) of a parliamentary election petition, the court giving leave for the withdrawal shall make a report to the Speaker as required by subsection (2) below; and
  - (b) by leave of the election court, of a petition questioning an election in England and Wales under the local government Act, that court shall make a report in writing to the High Court as so required.
- (2) The report shall state whether in the court's opinion the withdrawal of the petition was—
  - (a) the result of any agreement, terms or undertaking, or
  - (b) in consideration of any payment, or in consideration that the seat or office should at any time be vacated or in consideration of the withdrawal of any other election petition or for any other consideration,
  - and, if so, shall state the circumstances attending the withdrawal.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F1** S. 151 repealed in part (16.2.2001) by 2000 c. 41, ss. 137, 158(2), Sch. 17 para. 5(1)(2), **Sch. 22** (with ss. 156(6), 158(3)); S.I. 2001/222, art. 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 1**, Annex (with Sch. 1 Pt.II)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 S. 151 applied with modifications (N.I.) by S.I. 1986/2250, regs. 2, 3, 5, Sch. 1 Pt. I
- C2 S. 151 applied with modifications (E.W.S.) by S.I. 1986/2209, regs. 2, 3, 5(1)(6)–(8), Sch. 1 Pt. I

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- C3 S. 151 applied (with modifications) (11.3.1999) by The Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/787), art. 85(1)(3), Sch. 6 Pt. I
- C4 S. 151 applied (with modifications) (N.I.) (4.5.1996) by Elections (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/1220), art. 3(1)(5)-(8), Sch. 1

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