



# Representation of the People Act 1983

## 1983 CHAPTER 2

### PART III

#### LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

##### *General provisions as to prosecutions*

#### **177 Local election offence punishable summarily.**

[<sup>F1</sup>(1)] A prosecution for any offence punishable summarily committed in reference to an election under the local government Act—

- (a) may be instituted before any magistrates' court in the county in which the local government area for which the election was held is situated or which it adjoins; and
- (b) the offence shall be deemed for all purposes to have been committed within the jurisdiction of that court.

This section does not apply in Scotland.

<sup>F2</sup>(2) .....

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 177 renumbered as s. 177(1) (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 1(3), **Sch. 2 para. 12(1)** (with ss. 54(4)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1995/3198, art. 3, **Sch. 1**
- F2** S. 177(2) added (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 1(3), **Sch. 2 para. 12(1)** (with ss. 54(4)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1995/3198, art. 3, **Sch. 1**; and s. 177(2) repealed (1.4.1996) by S.I. 1996/675, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. II para. 5**)

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

- C1** S. 177 amended (1.4.1996) by S.I. 1996/674, reg. 2, **Sch. Pt. II para. 5(2)(n)**  
S. 177 amended (1.4.1996) by S.I. 1996/675, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. II para. 7(2)(n)**  
S. 177 applied (with modifications) (31.7.1997) by 1997 c. 61, s. 3, **Sch. 3 para. 13** Table 1

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- S. 177 applied (with modifications) (2.4.2001) by S.I. 2001/1298, regs. 8, 10(4), **Sch. 3 Table 2** (subject to regs. 9-12, 15-17, 20, 25)
- S. 177 applied (with modifications) (W.) (24.3.2004) by **The Local Authorities (Conduct of Referendums) (Wales) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/870), reg. 8, {Sch. 3 Table 2}** (which S.I. was revoked (24.7.2008) by S.I. 2008/1848)
- S. 177 applied (with modifications) (23.7.2004) by **The Regional Assembly and Local Government Referendums Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/1962), art. 6(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 2**
- S. 177 applied (with modifications) (E.) (28.7.2007) by **The Local Authorities (Conduct of Referendums) (England) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/2089), regs. 8, 11, 13, {Sch. 4 Table 1}**
- C2** S. 177 applied (with modifications) (W.) (24.7.2008) by **The Local Authorities (Conduct of Referendums) (Wales) Regulations 2008 (S.I. 2008/1848), reg. 8, {Sch. 4 para. 1 Table 1}**
- C3** S. 177 applied (with modifications) (E.) (9.2.2012) by **The Local Authorities (Conduct of Referendums)(England) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/323), reg. 1, Sch. 4 para. 1**
- C4** S. 177 applied (with modifications) (E.) (18.2.2012) by **The Local Authorities (Conduct of Referendums) (Council Tax Increases) (England) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/444), reg. 1, Sch. 4 para. 1 (with reg. 27)**
- C5** S. 177 applied (with modifications) (25.7.2012) by **The Police and Crime Commissioner Elections Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/1917), arts. 1(2), 50(6), Sch. 9 para. 1(5)**
- C6** S. 177 applied (with modifications) (3.8.2012) by **The Neighbourhood Planning (Referendums) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/2031), regs. 1, 8, 12, 13, Sch. 4 Pt. 1**

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