

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS OF THE PRINCIPAL ACT

Part III (legal proceedings)

- 48 In section 136 (security for costs)—
- (a) in subsection (2)(a) (parliamentary elections) for " £1,000 " there shall be substituted " such amount not exceeding £5,000 as the High Court or a judge of the High Court, on summons, directs " ;
 - (b) in subsection (2)(b) (local government elections) for " £500 " there shall be substituted " £2,500 " ;
 - (c) in subsection (2)(i)—
 - (i) at the beginning there shall be inserted the words " the amount mentioned in paragraph (a) above shall be such amount not exceeding £5,000 as the Court of Session or a judge of the Court of Session directs and"; and
 - (ii) for " £500 " there shall be substituted " £2,500 " ;
 - (d) for subsection (3) there shall be substituted—

“(3) Within the prescribed time after giving the security the petitioner shall serve on the respondent in the prescribed manner—

 - (a) a notice of the presentation of the petition and of the amount and nature of the security, and
 - (b) a copy of the petition.”; and
 - (e) the following provisions shall cease to have effect—
 - (i) in subsection (4) the words "not exceeding five days after service of the notice " ;
 - (ii) subsection (5);
 - (iii) in subsection (7) the words "not exceeding five days".