



# Business Rate Supplements Act 2009

## 2009 CHAPTER 7

*Involvement of ratepayers, etc.*

### **9 Regulations about ballots**

- (1) Regulations may make provision in relation to the holding of a ballot on the imposition of a BRS.
- (2) The provision which may be made includes, in particular, provision about—
  - (a) the timing of a ballot;
  - (b) the form that a ballot may take;
  - (c) who is to hold a ballot;
  - (d) the conduct of a ballot.
- (3) The regulations may, in particular—
  - (a) confer functions on a levying authority;
  - (b) enable a levying authority to appoint an officer of its to exercise on its behalf a function conferred by virtue of paragraph (a) (a “ballot function”);
  - (c) enable a levying authority to delegate to a lower-tier authority in relation to it the exercise of a ballot function in the area of that lower-tier authority;
  - (d) enable a levying authority to delegate to a lower-tier authority in relation to it the exercise of a ballot function in the area of each other lower-tier authority in relation to the levying authority;
  - (e) enable a lower-tier authority to which the exercise of a ballot function is delegated by virtue of paragraph (c) or (d) to appoint an officer of its to exercise the function on its behalf.
- (4) Regulations under this section may make provision as to who may cast a vote in a case where the person eligible to vote is a body corporate, partnership or unincorporated association.
- (5) Nothing in subsections (2) to (4) is to be taken as limiting the power conferred by subsection (1).