



# Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010

## 2010 CHAPTER 25

### PART 3

#### PARLIAMENTARY STANDARDS ETC

##### *Other provision*

### **39 Resettlement grants for MEPs**

- (1) The [European Parliament \(Pay and Pensions\) Act 1979](#) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 3 (resettlement grants for persons ceasing to be MEPs) for subsections (1) to (3) substitute—
  - “(1) The IPSA may make a scheme providing for allowances to be payable to persons to whom this section applies, in connection with their ceasing to be Representatives.
  - (2) It may do so only if a scheme under section 5 of the [Parliamentary Standards Act 2009](#) (MPs’ allowances scheme) makes provision for allowances to be payable in connection with persons ceasing to be Members on a dissolution of Parliament.
  - (3) A scheme under this section must make provision which is as nearly equivalent to the provision made by the scheme under section 5 of that Act as the IPSA considers practicable.
- (3A) The IPSA must send to the Speaker of the House of Commons for laying before both Houses of Parliament—
  - (a) any scheme made by it under this section, and
  - (b) a statement of the reasons for making the scheme.

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (3B) When the scheme and the statement of reasons have been laid, the IPSA must publish them in a way it considers appropriate.
- (3C) This section applies to a person who is a Representative immediately before the end of a five-year period, and either—
- (a) does not stand for election to the European Parliament at the general election of representatives to the European Parliament held in that period, or
  - (b) does so stand at that election (whether for the same or a different electoral region) and is not elected.
- (3D) A scheme made by the IPSA under this section may amend or revoke any previous scheme made by the IPSA under this section.”
- (3) Omit section 3A (power to amend section 3).
- (4) In section 7(1)(b) (expenses and receipts) for “grant” substitute “allowance”.