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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

CONTROL OF DONATIONS TO ACCREDITED CAMPAIGNERS

PART 2

CONTROL OF DONATIONS

Evasion of restrictions on donations

- 20 (1) A person commits an offence if the person—
- (a) knowingly enters into an evasion arrangement, or
 - (b) knowingly does any act in furtherance of an evasion arrangement.
- (2) “An evasion arrangement” is any arrangement which facilitates or is likely to facilitate, whether by means of any concealment or disguise or otherwise, the making of relevant donations to an accredited campaigner by any person other than a permissible donor.
- (3) A person commits an offence if the person knowingly gives the responsible person in relation to an accredited campaigner—
- (a) information relating to the amount or value of any relevant donation made to the accredited campaigner which is false in a material particular, or
 - (b) information relating to the person making such a donation which is false in a material particular.
- (4) A person commits an offence if the person, with intent to deceive, withholds from the responsible person in relation to an accredited campaigner—
- (a) material information relating to the amount or value of any relevant donation made to the accredited campaigner, or
 - (b) material information relating to the person making such a donation.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under this paragraph is liable—
- (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or a fine (or both), and
 - (b) on summary conviction—
 - (i) in England and Wales, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding [F¹the general limit in a magistrates’ court] or a fine (or both),
 - (ii) in Scotland, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both), and
 - (iii) in Northern Ireland, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both).

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Sch. 4 para. 20(5)(b)(i) substituted (E.W.) (7.2.2023 at 12.00 p.m.) by The Judicial Review and Courts Act 2022 (Magistrates' Court Sentencing Powers) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/149), regs. 1(2), 2(1), **Sch. Pt. 1** table
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Commencement Information

- I1** Sch. 4 para. 20 in force at 4.3.2016 by S.I. 2016/290, **reg. 2**

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