## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1982 No. 363

# REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

# The Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1982

Laid before Parliament in draft

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Whereas a draft of this Order has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:

And whereas in my opinion there has been a change in the value of money since, in the case of the variations made by Articles 2 and 3 of this Order, the 20th July 1978 and, in the case of the variations made by Articles 4, 5 and 6 of this Order, the 14th March 1980, and the said variations are in my opinion justified by those changes:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 2 of the Representation of the People Act 1978(a), I hereby make the following Order:—

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1982 and shall come into operation on the day after the day on which it is made.
  - (2) Articles 4, 5, 6 and 7 of this Order do not extend to Northern Ireland.
- (3) In this Order "the Act" means the Representation of the People Act 1949(b).
- **2.** The sums specified in section 64(2)(a)(i) of the Act (c) (limit on candidates' election expenses at parliamentary elections in county constituencies) shall, instead of £1,750 and 2p, be £2,700 and 3.1p respectively.
- 3. The sums specified in section 64(2)(a)(ii) of the Act (c) (limit on candidates' election expenses at parliamentary elections in borough constituencies) shall, instead of £1,750 and  $1\frac{1}{2}$ p, be £2,700 and 2.3p respectively.

<sup>(</sup>a) 1978 c. 32. (b) 1949 c. 68.

<sup>(</sup>c) Section 64(2)(a) was substituted by section 1 of the Representation of the People Act 1978.

- **4.** The sums specified in section 62(2)(b)(ii) of the Act (a)(limit on candidates' election expenses at local government elections other than elections to the Greater London Council) shall, instead of £100 and 2p, be £120 and 2.4p respectively.
- 5. The sums specified in section 167(4) of the Act (b) (limit on candidates' election expenses at ward elections in the City of London) shall, instead of £100 and 2p, be £120 and 2.4p respectively.
- 6. The sum specified in section 167(5) of the Act (c) (limit on candidates' election expenses at elections by liverymen in common hall) shall, instead of £750, be £900.
- 7. The Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1980(d) is hereby revoked.

W. S. I. Whitelaw,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Home Office. 11th March 1982.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order increases the maximum amount of candidates' election expenses at parliamentary elections, local government elections (other than elections to the Greater London Council), ward elections in the City of London and elections by liverymen in common hall. The increases are such as are justified by the change in the value of money, in the case of parliamentary elections, since the 20th July 1978, when the Representation of the People Act 1978 (which Act last increased the limits for parliamentary elections) was passed and, in the case of local government elections, ward elections in the City of London and elections by liverymen in common hall since the 14th March 1980, when the Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1980 (which last increased those limits) came into operation.

Except in the case of elections by liverymen in common hall for which a fixed sum only is allowed, the maximum amount is made up of a fixed sum, expressed in pounds, plus a number of pence for, in the case of parliamentary and local government elections, each entry in the register of electors or, in the case of ward elections in the City of London, each elector.

(c) The sum specified in section 167(5) is as substituted by S.I. 1980/375.

(d) S.I. 1980/375.

<sup>(</sup>a) Section 64(2)(b) was substituted by section 1(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1977 (c. 9) and the sums there specified are as substituted by S.1. 1980/375.

<sup>(</sup>b) Section 167(4) was substituted by section 1(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1977 and the sums there specified are as substituted by S.I. 1980/375.

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