

# Local Electoral Administration (Scotland) Act 2011

## PART 1

## ELECTORAL MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR SCOTLAND

Establishment of Board etc.

# 1 Electoral Management Board for Scotland

- (1) There is established a committee to be known as the Electoral Management Board for Scotland.
- (2) The Board has the general function of co-ordinating the administration of local government elections in Scotland.
- (3) That function includes—
  - (a) assisting local authorities and other persons in carrying out their functions in relation to local government elections,
  - (b) promoting best practice in local government elections by providing information, advice or training (or otherwise).

# 2 Membership

- (1) The Board is to have—
  - (a) a convener, who must be a returning officer,
  - (b) 8 other members of whom—
    - (i) 5 are to be returning or depute returning officers,
    - (ii) 3 are to be electoral registration officers.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to appoint the convener.
- (3) The convener is to appoint the other members.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

(4) When appointing members, the convener is to have regard to the desirability of the membership taken as a whole having a broad range of experience in relation to different local authority areas (including different kinds of areas) throughout Scotland.

# 3 Duration of appointment

- (1) A person is to be appointed to the Board for a period of 4 years.
- (2) A person may be reappointed to the Board (once or more).

## 4 Procedure etc.

- (1) It is for the Board to regulate its own procedure (and quorum).
- (2) The convener may (with the agreement of the other members of the Board) invite a person to attend a meeting of the Board for the purpose of providing advice or otherwise assisting the Board in carrying out its functions.