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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2021 No. 310**

**REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE**

**The Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Local Government Election Expenses) (Scotland) Order 2021**

*Made* - - - - *10th September 2021*  
*Laid before the Scottish Parliament* - - - - *14th September 2021*  
*Coming into force* - - *1st January 2022*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 76A(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983(1) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

The Scottish Ministers consider that the variation of sums effected by this Order is expedient in consequence of changes in the value of money.

**Citation, commencement and extent**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Local Government Election Expenses) (Scotland) Order 2021 and comes into force on 1 January 2022.

(2) This Order extends to Scotland only.

**Variation of expenses limit at a local government election in Scotland**

2. In section 76(2)(b)(ii) of the Representation of the People Act 1983(2) (maximum amount of a candidate's election expenses at a local government election other than an Authority election)—

(a) for “£740”, substitute “£806”, and

(b) for “6p”, substitute “7p”.

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(1) 1983 c. 2. Section 76A was substituted and deemed to be a pre-commencement enactment by section 133(1) and (2) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). There are a number of amendments to section 76A which are not relevant for the purposes of this Order. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).

(2) Section 76(2)(b)(ii) was amended by paragraph 18(2) of schedule 1 (and paragraph 1 of schedule 7) of the Representation of the People Act 2000 (c. 2), S.S.I. 2012/16 and S.S.I. 2016/263.

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**Status:** *This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.*

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St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
10th September 2021

*GEORGE ADAM*  
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order increases the maximum amount of candidates' elections expenses at local government elections in Scotland. The maximum amount of a candidate's election expenses is made up of a fixed amount together with an additional sum for each entry in the register of electors. This Order increases the fixed amount so that it will now be £806, and the sum for each entry in the register of electors so that it will be 7p.