



# Political Parties and Elections Act 2009

## 2009 CHAPTER 12

### PART 1

#### THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

##### *Functions of Electoral Commission*

#### **1 Compliance with controls imposed by the 2000 Act etc**

- (1) In the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41) (“the 2000 Act”) section 145 (general function of Commission with respect to monitoring compliance with controls imposed by that Act etc) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1), for the words before paragraph (a) there is substituted “The Commission shall have the function of monitoring, and taking such steps as they consider appropriate with a view to securing, compliance with”.
- (3) After subsection (6) there is inserted—
  - “(6A) The Commission may prepare and publish guidance setting out, in relation to any requirement referred to in subsection (1), their opinion on any of the following matters—
    - (a) what it is necessary, or is sufficient, to do (or avoid doing) in order to comply with the requirement;
    - (b) what it is desirable to do (or avoid doing) in view of the purpose of the requirement.”