



# Political Parties and Elections Act 2009

## 2009 CHAPTER 12

### PART 1

#### THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

##### *Electoral Commissioners etc*

#### **4 Selection of prospective Electoral Commissioners and Commission chairman**

(1) Section 3 of the 2000 Act (appointment of Electoral Commissioners etc) is amended as follows.

(2) For subsection (2) there is substituted—

“(2) A motion for such an Address may be made only if—

- (a) the Speaker of the House of Commons agrees that the motion may be made;
- (b) the motion has been the subject of consultation with the registered leader of each registered party to which two or more Members of the House of Commons then belong; and
- (c) each person whose appointment is proposed in the motion has been selected in accordance with a procedure put in place and overseen by the Speaker's Committee.”

(3) After subsection (5) there is inserted—

“(5A) In the case of a re-appointment (or further re-appointment) of an Electoral Commissioner, the reference in subsection (2)(c) to being selected in accordance with a procedure put in place and overseen by the Speaker's Committee is to be read as including a reference to being recommended for re-appointment (or further re-appointment) by that Committee.”

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Political Parties and Elections Act 2009, Section 4.