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The Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment Order 2007

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment Order 2007 and shall come into force on 16th August 2007.

Amendment of the Scottish Local Government Elections Order 2007

- **2.** In rule 58 of Schedule 1 to the Scottish Local Government Elections Order 2007(1) (orders for production of documents), after paragraph (7), insert—
 - "(7A) The Electoral Commission may require the production of any information held on an electronic copy of information made pursuant to rule 56(1), but only—
 - (a) in connection with any review which they are conducting as part of assistance provided at the request of the Scottish Executive (whether before or after the commencement of this sub-paragraph) in terms of section 10 of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000, and
 - (b) if the Scottish Ministers have requested (whether before or after the commencement of this sub-paragraph) that they examine such information as part of that review.
 - (7B) In their scrutiny of any information to which they have access by virtue of paragraph (7A) the Electoral Commission shall take care to ensure that the way in which a particular elector has given his or her vote is not ascertained and at the termination of their scrutiny the Electoral Commission shall reseal in their packets the electronic copies of the information made pursuant to rule 56(1), return them to the proper officer and cause to be destroyed any copies made of the information provided to them."

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