



# Parliamentary Costs Act 2006

## 2006 CHAPTER 37

### *Assessment of disputed costs*

#### **8 Certificate by responsible officer**

- (1) This section applies where—
  - (a) at the end of the applicable period, no statement of complaint has been given under section 7, or
  - (b) any matters complained of in a statement given under that section have been finally disposed of.
- (2) If the representative or party applies to the responsible officer for a certificate of costs, the responsible officer must certify to him the amount of the costs.
- (3) The certificate is to be treated for the purposes of any proceedings as conclusive evidence of—
  - (a) the matters to which the costs relate,
  - (b) the amount of costs allowed on the assessment,
  - (c) how much of that amount has, as at the date of the certificate, yet to be paid, and
  - (d) the amount of costs payable for carrying out the assessment.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies where, in proceedings to recover costs certified under this section, the defendant says he is not liable to pay them (or part of them).
- (5) The certificate is to be treated for the purposes of any proceedings as conclusive evidence only of such amount (if any) as the claimant may recover from the defendant as a result of the proceedings mentioned in subsection (4).