



# Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010

## 2010 CHAPTER 25

### PART 3

#### PARLIAMENTARY STANDARDS ETC

##### *Amendments of the Parliamentary Standards Act 2009*

#### **28 Transparency etc**

- (1) The [Parliamentary Standards Act 2009](#) is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 3 insert—

##### **“3A General duties of the IPSA**

- (1) In carrying out its functions the IPSA must have regard to the principle that it should act in a way which is efficient, cost-effective and transparent.
- (2) In carrying out its functions the IPSA must have regard to the principle that members of the House of Commons should be supported in efficiently, cost-effectively and transparently carrying out their Parliamentary functions.”
- (3) In section 5 (MPs’ allowances scheme) after subsection (5) insert—
  - “(5A) When the scheme (or revision) is laid, the IPSA must publish in a way it considers appropriate—
    - (a) the scheme (or revision), and
    - (b) a statement of its reasons for adopting that scheme (or making that revision).”
- (4) In section 6 (dealing with claims under the MPs’ allowances scheme) after subsection (7) insert—

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- “(8) The IPSA must publish such information as it considers appropriate in respect of—
- (a) each claim made under or by virtue of this section, and
  - (b) each payment of an allowance by the IPSA under or by virtue of this section.
- (9) The IPSA must publish the information at times it considers appropriate and in a way it considers appropriate.
- (10) The IPSA must determine procedures to be followed by the IPSA in relation to publication of the information, and in doing so must consult—
- (a) the Speaker of the House of Commons,
  - (b) the Leader of the House of Commons,
  - (c) the House of Commons Committee on Standards and Privileges,
  - (d) the Compliance Officer, and
  - (e) any other person the IPSA considers appropriate.”