WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 2478 (W.270)

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE, WALES

The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) (Amendment) Order 2012

Made - - - - 25 September 2012
Coming into force - - 1 October 2012

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on the National Assembly for Wales by article 23 of the National Assembly for Wales (Representation of the People) Order 2007(1) and now vested in them(2), make the following Order—

Title, application and commencement

- **1.**—(1) The title of this Order is the National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) (Amendment) Order 2012.
 - (2) This Order comes into force on 1 October 2012.
 - (3) This Order applies in relation to Wales.

Interpretation

- 2. In this Order—
 - (a) "Assembly constituency" ("etholaeth Cynulliad") is to be construed in accordance with section 2 of the Government of Wales Act 2006;
 - (b) "Assembly electoral region" ("rhanbarth etholiadol Cynulliad") is to be construed in accordance with section 2 of the Government of Wales Act 2006.

Amendments to the National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) Order 2011

- **3.**—(1) The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) (Wales) Order 2011 is amended as follows.
- (2) In articles 4, 5(1), 6(1), 7, 8(1) and 9(1) and in the headings to articles 5, 6, 8 and 9 and Schedule 2, omit the words "held on the same day as the Alternative Vote Referendum".

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2007/236.

⁽²⁾ By virtue of section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32) the powers of the National Assembly for Wales were transferred to the Welsh Ministers.

(3) For Schedule 1, substitute the following Schedule—

"SCHEDULE 1

Articles 4, 5(1) and 6(1)

Overall maximum recoverable amount and maximum recoverable amounts for services and expenses at a contested Assembly constituency election

1) Constituency	2) Maximum recoverable amount for services	3) Maximum recoverable amount for expenses	4) Overall maximum recoverable amount
Aberavon	£4,730	£151,170	£155,900
Aberconwy	£4,730	£105,358	£110,088
Alyn and Deeside	£4,730	£124,358	£129,088
Arfon	£4,730	£107,069	£111,799
Blaenau Gwent	£4,730	£161,967	£166,697
Brecon and Radnorshire	£4,730	£177,443	£182,173
Bridgend	£4,730	£131,194	£135,924
Caerphilly	£4,730	£160,424	£165,154
Cardiff Central	£4,730	£132,301	£137,031
Cardiff North	£4,730	£165,133	£169,863
Cardiff South and Penarth	£4,730	£183,660	£188,390
Cardiff West	£4,730	£151,200	£155,930
Carmarthen East and Dinefwr	£4,730	£177,265	£181,995
Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire	£4,730	£161,498	£166,228
Ceredigion	£4,730	£153,514	£158,244
Clwyd South	£4,730	£146,245	£150,975
Clwyd West	£4,730	£139,326	£144,056
Cynon Valley	£4,730	£121,686	£126,416
Delyn	£4,730	£129,994	£134,724
Dwyfor Meirionnydd	£4,730	£152,209	£156,939
Gower	£4,730	£148,616	£153,346
Islwyn	£4,730	£140,055	£144,785
Llanelli	£4,730	£162,368	£167,098
Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney	£4,730	£156,183	£160,913
Monmouth	£4,730	£184,172	£188,902
Montgomeryshire	£4,730	£131,837	£136,567

1) Constituency	2) Maximum recoverable amount for services	3) Maximum recoverable amount for expenses	4) Overall maximum recoverable amount
Neath	£4,730	£169,780	£174,510
Newport East	£4,730	£130,047	£134,777
Newport West	£4,730	£149,302	£154,032
Ogmore	£4,730	£126,506	£131,236
Pontypridd	£4,730	£141,313	£152,043
Preseli Pembrokeshire	£4,730	£161,432	£166,162
Rhondda	£4,730	£138,009	£142,739
Swansea East	£4,730	£142,418	£147,148
Swansea West	£4,730	£136,341	£141,071
Torfaen	£4,730	£163,376	£168,106
Vale of Clwyd	£4,730	£117,780	£122,510
Vale of Glamorgan	£4,730	£192,425	£197,155
Wrexham	£4,730	£109,924	£114,654
Ynys Mon	£4,730	£139,547	£144,277
Total	£189,200	£5,880,445	£6,069,645"

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25 September 2012

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for payments for services and expenses of returning officers in connection with the conduct of National Assembly for Wales elections.

This Order amends The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/632) (W.92)) ("the 2011 Order"). This Order is made under article 23 of the National Assembly for Wales (Representation of the People) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/236). Article 23 provides that a constituency or a regional returning officer is entitled to recover charges in respect of services rendered or expenses incurred in connection with an Assembly election.

Article 3(2) of this Order amends articles 4, 5(1), 6(1), 7, 8(1) and 9(1) of the 2011 Order by removing references to the Alternative Vote Referendum. As amended, article 4 of the 2011 Order specifies the overall maximum recoverable amount for a contested Assembly constituency election as shown in column 4 of the table in Schedule 1. As amended, article 5 of the 2011 Order specifies the maximum recoverable amount for services at a contested Assembly constituency election as shown in column 2 of the table in Schedule 1. As amended, article 6 of the 2011 Order specifies the maximum recoverable amount for expenses at a contested Assembly constituency election as shown in column 3 of the table in Schedule 1. As amended, article 7 of the 2011 Order specifies the overall maximum recoverable amount for a contested Assembly regional election as shown in column 4 of the table in Schedule 2. As amended, article 8 of the 2011 Order specifies the maximum recoverable amount for services at a contested Assembly regional election as shown in column 2 of the table in Schedule 2 and article 9, as amended, specifies the maximum recoverable amount for expenses at a contested Assembly regional election as shown in column 3 of the table in Schedule 2. (Article 3(2) also removes references to the Alternative Vote Referendum from the headings to articles 5, 6, 8 and 9 of, and Schedule 2 to, the 2011 Order).

Article 3(3) substitutes Schedule 1 to the 2011 Order. The table contained at substituted Schedule 1 describes the overall maximum recoverable amount and the maximum recoverable amounts for services and expenses by a constituency returning officer for, or in connection with, a contested election to the National Assembly for Wales.