



Scottish Independence Referendum (Franchise) Act 2013

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Register of young voters

7 Declaration of local connection: additional ground for young people

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of the application of section 7B of the 1983 Act (notional residence: declaration of local connection) in relation to registration in the register of young voters.
- (2) Section 7B of the 1983 Act also applies to a person who, on the date on which the person makes a declaration under subsection (1) of that section—
 - (a) has not attained the age of 17,
 - (b) does not fall within any of paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (2) of that section, and
 - (c) meets either of the requirements specified in subsection (3).
- (3) The requirements are that—
 - (a) the person is, or has been, a child looked after by a local authority, or
 - (b) the person is being kept in secure accommodation.
- (4) In relation to such a person, “the required address” for the purposes of section 7B of the 1983 Act is any address in Scotland at which the person has previously been resident.
- (5) In subsection (3)—
 - (a) the reference to a child looked after by a local authority is to be construed in accordance with section 17(6) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 (duty of local authorities in relation to looked after children), and
 - (b) “secure accommodation” means accommodation provided, for the purpose of restricting the liberty of children, in an establishment in Scotland (whether managed by a local authority, a voluntary organisation or any other person) that—
 - (i) provides residential accommodation for children for the purposes of the Children’s Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011, the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 or the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968, and

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- (ii) is approved in accordance with regulations made under section 78(2) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (regulations in relation to care services).