

SCOTTISH ELECTIONS (FRANCHISE AND REPRESENTATION) ACT 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE STRUCTURE AND SUMMARY OF THE ACT

Part 4 – Final Provisions

Section 11 - Ancillary provision

27. Section 11 enables the Scottish Ministers by regulations to make any incidental, supplementary, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision they consider appropriate for the purposes of, in connection with or for giving full effect to the Act or any provision made under it. Subsection (2) provides that regulations under this section may make different provision for different purposes or modify any enactment (including the Act). Subsection (3) provides that regulations under subsection (1) which contain provision adding to, replacing or omitting any part of the text of an Act are subject to the affirmative procedure. Subsection (4) provides that otherwise, regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the negative procedure.

Section 12 – Commencement

28. Subsection (1) of section 12 provides that Parts 3 and 4 of the Act come into force on the day after Royal Assent. Subsection (2) provides that the rest of the Act comes into force on such day as the Scottish Ministers may by regulations appoint. Subsection (3) provides that regulations under this section may include transitional, transitory or saving provision and may make different provision for different purposes and that regulations under this section may appoint different days for different purposes.

Section 13 - Short title

29. Section 13 sets out the short title of this Act: the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Act 2020.