

*These notes relate to the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services
(Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 14) which received Royal Assent on 1 August 2006*

LOCAL ELECTORAL ADMINISTRATION AND REGISTRATION SERVICES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 1: Electoral Administration

Performance of local authorities in relation to elections etc.

Section 4 Correction of procedural errors

7. This section allows returning officers to correct errors or omissions that arise during the preparation for and conduct of elections. These errors and omissions are those made by those administering the elections and those supplying goods and services to the administrators. The provisions of this section do not allow a returning officer to recount votes at an election after the result has been declared. Subsection (4) provides that a returning officer will not be guilty of the offence of breach of official duty set out in section 53 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 if the act or omission causing the breach of official duty is remedied in full.