



# Companies Act 2006

## 2006 CHAPTER 46

### PART 13 U.K.

#### RESOLUTIONS AND MEETINGS

### CHAPTER 5 U.K.

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR QUOTED COMPANIES [F1] AND TRADED COMPANIES]

##### *Independent report on poll*

### 343 Appointment of independent assessor U.K.

- (1) Directors who are required under section 342 to obtain an independent report on a poll or polls must appoint a person they consider to be appropriate (an “independent assessor”) to prepare a report for the company on it or them.
- (2) The appointment must be made within one week after the company being required to obtain the report.
- (3) The directors must not appoint a person who—
  - (a) does not meet the independence requirement in section 344, or
  - (b) has another role in relation to any poll on which he is to report (including, in particular, a role in connection with collecting or counting votes or with the appointment of proxies).
- (4) In the event of default in complying with this section, an offence is committed by every officer of the company who is in default.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (6) If at the meeting no poll on which a report is required is taken—

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- (a) the directors are not required to obtain a report from the independent assessor, and
- (b) his appointment ceases (but without prejudice to any right to be paid for work done before the appointment ceased).

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