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**ELECTORAL ACT 1907**

**ELECTORAL (POLITICAL FINANCE) NOTICE 2013**

Made by the Electoral Commissioner under regulations 26 and 31 of the *Electoral (Political Finance) Regulations 1996*.

**1. Citation**

This notice may be cited as the *Electoral (Political Finance) Notice 2013*.

**2. Definition**

In this notice a reference to a “**regulation**” is a reference to a regulation in the *Electoral (Political Finance) Regulations 1996*.

**3. Application**

This notice applies—

- (a) to the general elections for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council, respectively, held on 9 March 2013; and
- (b) to any subsequent general election or other election,  
and applies to other people who incur expenditure for political purposes.

**4. Modified operation of *Electoral (Political Finance) Regulations 1996***

(1) Computerised accounting systems may be used to keep the following records required under regulations 23, 24 and 29—

- (a) a receipt book;
- (b) an acknowledgment book; and
- (c) an expenditure book.

(2) Where computerised accounting systems are used as authorised by subclause (1), regulations 23, 24 and 29 operate as if they were repealed and the following regulations were inserted instead—

**23. Receipt Book**

(1) If the receipt book is kept using a computerised accounting system, the following information must be recorded and printed—

- (a) the date of the receipt;
- (b) a unique number identifying the receipt;
- (c) the amount of money received by the person;
- (d) the form (for example: cash, cheque, electronic transfer, postal order etc.) in which the money was received;
- (e) the name and address of the person, body or organisation by whom or which or on whose behalf the amount is paid; and
- (f) the purpose of the payment.

(2) When—

- (a) a gift of money; or
- (b) an amount of money, being the proceeds of the sale of a gift made to the person,

is received by the person, the person must record, or cause to be recorded, the particulars referred to in subregulation (1) for the amount received.

(3) An entry under subregulation (2)(b) has to contain a cross-reference to the entry in the acknowledgment book that relates to the gift in question.

**24. Acknowledgment book**

(1) If the acknowledgment book is kept using a computerised accounting system, the following information must be recorded and printed—

- (a) the date of the acknowledgment;
  - (b) a unique number identifying the acknowledgment;
  - (c) the value of the gift made to the person;
  - (d) a description of the gift;
  - (e) the name and address of the persons, body or organisation by whom or on whose behalf the gift is made; and
  - (f) the purpose for which the gift is made.
- (2) When a gift is received by the person, the person must record, or cause to be recorded, the particulars referred to in subregulation (1).
- (3) In this regulation—
- “**gift**” includes a gift in the form of an interest in property, but does not include a gift of money.

**29. Expenditure book**

If the expenditure book is kept using a computerised accounting system, details of any electoral expenditure incurred by or with the authority of person(s) who incur electoral expenditure have to be entered in the expenditure book as soon as is practicable after the transaction is effected.

WARWICK GATELY AM, Electoral Commissioner.

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