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Maximum Amount of Election Expenses (Legislative Council Election) (Amendment) Regulation 2020

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 45 of the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance (Cap. 554))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 1 May 2020.

2. Maximum Amount of Election Expenses (Legislative Council Election) Regulation amended

The Maximum Amount of Election Expenses (Legislative Council Election) Regulation (Cap. 554 sub. leg. D) is amended as set out in sections 3, 4 and 5.

3. Section 3 amended (maximum amount of election expenses for geographical constituency)

(1) Section 3(a)—

Repeal

"fifth term of office of the Legislative Council"

Substitute

"sixth term of office of the Legislative Council that commenced on 1 October 2016".

(2) Section 3(a)(i)—

Repeal

"\$1,575,000"

Substitute

"\$1,821,000".

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(3) Section 3(a)(ii)—

Repeal

"\$2,100,000"

Substitute

"\$2,428,000".

(4) Section 3(a)(iii)—

Repeal

"\$2,625,000"

Substitute

"\$3,035,000".

(5) Section 3(b)(i)—

Repeal

"\$1,821,000"

Substitute

"\$1,996,000".

(6) Section 3(b)(ii)—

Repeal

"\$2,428,000"

Substitute

"\$2,661,000".

(7) Section 3(b)(iii)—

Repeal

"\$3,035,000"

Substitute

"\$3,326,000".

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4. Section 3A amended (maximum amount of election expenses for District Council (second) functional constituency)

(1) Section 3A(a)—

Repeal

"fifth term of office of the Legislative Council—\$6,000,000"

Substitute

"sixth term of office of the Legislative Council that commenced on 1 October 2016—\$6,936,000".

(2) Section 3A(b)—

Repeal

"\$6,936,000"

Substitute

"\$7,602,000".

- 5. Section 4 amended (maximum amount of election expenses for functional constituency other than District Council (second) functional constituency)
 - (1) Section 4(a)—

Repeal

"fifth term of office of the Legislative Council"

Substitute

"sixth term of office of the Legislative Council that commenced on 1 October 2016".

(2) Section 4(a)(i)—

Repeal

"\$105,000"

Substitute

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"\$121,000".

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(3) Section 4(a)(ii)(A)—

Repeal

"\$168,000"

Substitute

"\$194,000".

(4) Section 4(a)(ii)(B)—

Repeal

"\$336,000"

Substitute

"\$388,000".

(5) Section 4(a)(ii)(C)—

Repeal

"\$504,000"

Substitute

"\$583,000".

(6) Section 4(b)(i)—

Repeal

"\$121,000"

Substitute

"\$133,000".

(7) Section 4(b)(ii)(A)—

Repeal

"\$194,000"

Substitute

"\$213,000".

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(8) Section 4(b)(ii)(B)—

Repeal

"\$388,000"

Substitute

"\$425,000".

(9) Section 4(b)(ii)(C)—

Repeal

"\$583,000"

Substitute

"\$639,000".

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COUNCIL CHAMBER

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Explanatory Note

The Maximum Amount of Election Expenses (Legislative Council Election) Regulation (Cap. 554 sub. leg. D) (*principal Regulation*) provides for the election expenses limits for candidates and lists of candidates for the Legislative Council elections. The purpose of this Regulation is to amend the principal Regulation to raise the limits for the seventh term (i.e. the next term) of office of the Legislative Council and any subsequent term of office. The revised limits are—

- (a) for the Kowloon West geographical constituency—\$1,996,000;
- (b) for the Kowloon East geographical constituency—\$1,996,000;
- (c) for the Hong Kong Island geographical constituency—\$2,661,000;
- (d) for the New Territories West geographical constituency—\$3,326,000;
- (e) for the New Territories East geographical constituency—\$3,326,000;
- (f) for the District Council (second) functional constituency—\$7,602,000;
- (g) for the Heung Yee Kuk, the agriculture and fisheries, the insurance and the transport functional constituencies—\$133,000 for each functional constituency; and
- (h) for any other functional constituency—
 - (i) if the functional constituency has not more than 5 000 registered electors—\$213,000;

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- (ii) if the functional constituency has more than 5 000 but not more than 10 000 registered electors—\$425,000; and
- (iii) if the functional constituency has more than 10 000 registered electors—\$639,000.
- 2. The limits for candidates and lists of candidates at elections for the sixth term of office of the Legislative Council (i.e. the current term of office) remain unchanged.