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Local Government Amendment (Elections) Bill 2025

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Proposed amendments

Filling of casual vacancies to be by countback election as default No. 1

> Pages 3 and 4, Schedule 1[2]-[5], line 4 on page 3 to line 27 on page 4. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead-

Section 291 By-elections

Omit the section.

Section 291A, heading

Omit "in certain circumstances". Insert instead "where possible".

Section 291A(1) [4]

Omit the subsection. Insert instead—

This section applies to a casual vacancy in the office of a (1)councillor.

Section 291A(7) [5]

Insert after section 291A(6)—

- To avoid doubt, if a casual vacancy occurs in a civic office, other (7)than a casual vacancy to which this section applies, the office is to be filled by a by-election, subject to this part.
- Filling of casual vacancies to be by countback election as default No. 2 Page 4, Schedule 1[8], lines 38-40. Omit all words on the lines.
- No. 3 Location of polling places

Page 6, Schedule 1[9], proposed section 296C(2), lines 31 and 32. Omit all words on the lines.

Voting on Saturday before election day No. 4

Page 6, Schedule 1[9], proposed section 296C(3). Insert after line 34—

on the Saturday before the election day, or

Use of information on residential rolls for commercial purposes prohibited No. 5

Page 7, Schedule 1. Insert after line 14

[14A] Section 302 Public inspection of roll of electors

Insert after section 302(2)—

- A person must not use or disclose information provided in a residential roll under this Act for a commercial purpose.

 Maximum penalty—1,000 penalty units.
- (4) Without limiting subsection (3), information is used for a commercial purpose if the information is sold or offered for sale.
- No. 6 Filling of casual vacancies to be by countback election as default Page 8, Schedule 1[18], lines 18–22. Omit all words on the lines.
- No. 7 Filling of casual vacancies to be by countback election as default Page 8, Schedule 1[22], lines 30–32. Omit all words on the lines.
- No. 8 Filling of casual vacancies to be by countback election as default

 Pages 12 and 13, Schedule 2[26] and [27], line 6 on page 12 to line 3 on page 13. Omit all words on the lines.
- No. 9 Filling of casual vacancies to be by countback election as default Page 13, Schedule 2[33], lines 22–26. Omit all words on the lines.