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Proposed amendment

No. 1 **By-elections**

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Page 3, Schedule 1, proposed section 274. Insert after line 39—

- (4A) A regulation must not be made under this section in relation to a by-election held during the prescribed period that—
 - (a) restricts or prevents a person from displaying a poster or handing out tangible electoral material in accordance with this Act, or
 - (b) enables the Electoral Commissioner or an election official to give a direction to a person restricting or preventing the person from displaying a poster or handing out tangible electoral material in accordance with this Act, or
 - (c) restricts or otherwise modifies provisions of this Act relating to the following—
 - (i) the number of scrutineers that may be appointed by a candidate or registered party,
 - (ii) the entitlement of a scrutineer to be present in a voting centre or ballot counting place,
 - (iii) the functions of a scrutineer, or
 - (d) enables the Electoral Commissioner or an election official to give a direction to a person that restricts or otherwise modifies the matters specified in paragraph (c).