



Electoral (Expenditure Limit) Order 2012

Jerry Mateparae, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 14th day of May 2012

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 266A of the Electoral Act 1993, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council and on the recommendation of the Minister of Justice, makes the following order.

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Order**1 Title**

This order is the Electoral (Expenditure Limit) Order 2012.

2 Commencement

This order comes into force on 1 July 2012.

*Amendments to Electoral Act 1993***3 Section 204B amended (Persons who may promote election advertisements)**

In the Electoral Act 1993, section 204B(1)(d), replace “\$12,000” with “\$12,200”.

4 Section 205C amended (Maximum amount of candidate’s total election expenses)

(1) In the Electoral Act 1993, section 205C(1)(a), replace “\$25,000” with “\$25,400”.

(2) In the Electoral Act 1993, section 205C(1)(b), replace “\$50,000” with “\$50,800”.

5 Section 206C amended (Maximum amount of party’s total election expenses)

(1) In the Electoral Act 1993, section 206C(1)(a), replace “\$1,065,000” with “\$1,082,000”.

(2) In the Electoral Act 1993, section 206C(1)(b), replace “\$25,000” with “\$25,400”.

(3) In the Electoral Act 1993, section 206C(2), replace “\$25,000” with “\$25,400”.

6 Section 206V amended (Maximum amount of registered promoter’s total election expenses)

In the Electoral Act 1993, section 206V(1), replace “\$300,000” with “\$305,000”.

Revocation

- 7 **Electoral (Expenditure Limit) Order 2011 revoked**
The Electoral (Expenditure Limit) Order 2011 (SR 2011/142) is revoked.

Rebecca Kitteridge,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order, which comes into force on 1 July 2012, adjusts the expenditure limits in the Electoral Act 1993 (the **Act**) as follows:

- the amount of advertising expenses that may be incurred by an unregistered promoter in respect of any regulated period increases from \$12,000 to \$12,200 (section 204B(1)(d) of the Act);
- the total amount of election expenses that may be incurred by a candidate in respect of any regulated period—
 - for a general election, increases from \$25,000 to \$25,400 (section 205C(1)(a) of the Act); and
 - for a by-election, increases from \$50,000 to \$50,800 (section 205C(1)(b) of the Act);
- the total amount of election expenses that may be incurred by a party in respect of any regulated period, if the party is listed in the party vote part of the ballot paper issued for a general election,—
 - increases from \$1,065,000 to \$1,082,000 (section 206C(1)(a) of the Act); and
 - increases from \$25,000 to \$25,400 for each electoral district contested by a candidate for the party (section 206C(1)(b) of the Act);
- the total amount of election expenses that may be incurred by a party in respect of any regulated period, if the party is not listed

in the party vote part of the ballot paper issued for a general election, increases from \$25,000 to \$25,400 for each electoral district contested by a candidate for the party (section 206C(2) of the Act):

- the total amount of election expenses that may be incurred by a registered promoter in respect of any regulated period, increases from \$300,000 to \$305,000 (section 206V(1) of the Act).

These adjustments reflect the movement between the Consumers Price Index All Groups (the **CPI**) for the quarter ending 31 March 2011 and the CPI for the quarter ending 31 March 2012 (1.57%).

In accordance with section 266A(4) of the Act, rounding to the next whole hundred dollars has been applied to the adjusted amounts as follows:

- in section 204B(1)(d) of the Act, \$12,188 has been rounded to \$12,200:
- in section 205C(1)(a) of the Act, \$25,393 has been rounded to \$25,400:
- in section 205C(1)(b) of the Act, \$50,785 has been rounded to \$50,800:
- in section 206C(1)(b) of the Act, \$25,393 has been rounded to \$25,400:
- in section 206C(2) of the Act, \$25,393 has been rounded to \$25,400.

In accordance with section 266A(5) of the Act, rounding to the next whole thousand dollars has been applied to the adjusted amounts as follows:

- in section 206C(1)(a) of the Act, \$1,081,228 has been rounded to \$1,082,000:
- in section 206V(1) of the Act, \$304,712 has been rounded to \$305,000.

In accordance with section 266A(6) of the Act, the adjusted amount in section 206C(1)(a) is based on \$1,064,508, being the amount before it was rounded up for the purposes of the Electoral (Expenditure Limit) Order 2011.

This order also revokes the Electoral (Expenditure Limit) Order 2011, which is superseded.

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This order is administered by the Ministry of Justice.
