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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1955 No. 30

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

REDISTRIBUTION OF SEATS

The Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Midlothian, Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, and Edinburgh East) Order, 1955

Made - - - - - 5th January, 1955
Coming into Operation 19th January, 1955

At the Court at Sandringham, the 5th day of January, 1955

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas in pursuance of subsection (1) of section two of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act, 1949(a), the Boundary Commission for Scotland have submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated the twenty-third day of August, 1954, showing the constituencies into which they recommend that Scotland should be divided in order to give effect to the rules set out in the Second Schedule to the said Act:

And Whereas the Secretary of State has laid the said report before Parliament together with a draft of this Order in Council to give effect to recommendations contained in the report and each House of Parliament has by resolution approved the said draft:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by section three of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act, 1949, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. For the county constituencies of Midlothian and Peebles, and Roxburgh and Selkirk, and the burgh constituency of Edinburgh East, described in the First Schedule to the Representation of the People Act, 1948(b), and specified in Part I of the Schedule to this Order there shall be substituted the county constituencies and the burgh constituency described in Part II of the Schedule to this Order.

2. The electoral registration officers for the aforesaid constituencies shall make such re-arrangement or adaptation of the registers of parliamentary electors as may be necessary to give effect to this Order.

3.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Midlothian, Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, and Edinburgh East) Order, 1955.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament:

(3) This Order shall come into operation on the fourteenth day after the day on which it is made:

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 66.

(b) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 65.

(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

Provided that the coming into operation of this Order shall not affect any parliamentary election until a proclamation is issued by Her Majesty summoning a new Parliament or affect the constitution of the House of Commons until the dissolution of the Parliament in being on the day on which this Order comes into operation.

W. G. Agnew.

SCHEDULE

PART I

Existing Constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on the twenty-second day of May, 1948

Name	County or Burgh Constituency	Contents
Midlothian and Peebles	County ...	The counties of Midlothian and Peebles inclusive of all the burghs situated therein except the county of the city of Edinburgh and the burgh of Musselburgh.
Roxburgh and Selkirk	County ...	The counties of Roxburgh and Selkirk inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.
Edinburgh East ...	Burgh ...	The burgh of Musselburgh and the following wards of the county of the city of Edinburgh, namely, Craigentenny, Craigmillar and Portobello.

PART II

New Constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on the sixteenth day of May, 1954, except as otherwise stated

Name	County or Burgh Constituency	Contents
Midlothian ...	County ...	The county of Midlothian, inclusive of all the burghs situated therein except the county of the city of Edinburgh and the burgh of Musselburgh, and including the areas transferred to the county of the city of Edinburgh by the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1954(d). ✓
Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles.	County ...	The counties of Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, inclusive of all the burghs situated therein. ✓
Edinburgh East ...	Burgh ...	The burgh of Musselburgh and the following wards of the county of the city of Edinburgh, namely, Craigentenny, Portobello and Craigmillar (with the exception of the area added by the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1954). ✓

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