

# **SCOTTISH ELECTIONS (REPRESENTATION AND REFORM) BILL**

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## **STATEMENTS ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE**

As required under Rule 9.3.1 and 1A of the Parliament’s Standing Orders, these statements on legislative competence are published to accompany the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill, introduced in the Scottish Parliament on 23 January 2024. The following other accompanying documents are published separately:

- a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 42–FM);
- Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 42–EN);
- a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 42–PM);
- a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 42–DPM).

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## **PRESIDING OFFICER’S STATEMENT ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE**

On 23 January 2024, the Presiding Officer (Alison Johnstone MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

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## **SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE**

On 23 January 2024, the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Finance (Shona Robison MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

*This document relates to the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill (SP Bill 42) as introduced in the Scottish Parliament on 23 January 2024*

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