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On what grounds a people's representative can be disqualified under the Representation of People Act, 1951? Also mention the remedies available to such person against his disqualification.(15).

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Representation of the People Act, 1951

Parliamentary law on conduct of elections, corrupt practices, and disqualification of members under **Articles 102 and 191**.

Section 8, Representation of the People Act, 1951

Disqualification on conviction for listed offences and for sentences of specified length; the main criminal bar.

Lily Thomas v. Union of India (2013)

Struck down **Section 8(4)**; disqualification on conviction applies immediately to sitting members.

Section 10A, Representation of the People Act, 1951

Election Commission may disqualify a candidate who fails to lodge election-expense accounts without adequate reason.

Section 116A, Representation of the People Act, 1951

Appeal to the Supreme Court from a High Court order on an election petition, including findings of corrupt practice.

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