REPORT BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Road Safety Bill 2005

The Road Safety Bill was remitted to the Committee following the Plenary debate on the Queen's speech on 21 June 2005. The Committee considered the Bill at its meeting on 28 September.

The Committee raised a number of issues with officials which related to implementation of the Bill and we will be writing separately to the Minister on these. Members were however content with the detail of the Bill.

The Committee noted that this Bill had been published before the White Paper on Better Governance for Wales and we assumed that consideration had not been given to ‘framework powers’ in its drafting. The Committee did however receive an assurance from Welsh Assembly Government officials that the Bill was not overly prescriptive and was drafted in a way that allowed the Assembly to determine the detail of how the provisions which related to devolved responsibilities should be implemented in Wales.

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