

Statutory Instruments with Clear Reports

28 September 2020

SL(5)609 – The Business Tenancies (Extension of Protection from Forfeiture etc.) (Wales) (Coronavirus) (No. 2) Regulations 2020

Procedure: Negative

Section 82 of the Coronavirus Act 2020 ensures that re-entry or forfeiture for non-payment of rent may not be enforced in relation to all types of commercial tenants during the “relevant period”. Section 82(12) of the Coronavirus Act 2020 defines the “relevant period” as beginning on 26 March 2020 and ending on 30 June 2020, or such later date as may be specified in regulations made by the relevant national authority.

The Welsh Ministers are the “relevant national authority” in relation to Wales, and are therefore able to make regulations to extend the “relevant period” for protections beyond 30th June 2020, thereby maintaining the protection provided by section 82 of the Act to such later date specified in regulations.

The Business Tenancies (Extension of Protection from Forfeiture etc.) (Wales) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020 extended the “relevant period” from 30 June 2020 to 30 September 2020.

These Regulations extend the “relevant period” by a further three months to 31 December 2020. As a result, the moratorium provided by section 82 of the Coronavirus Act 2020 is extended until 31 December 2020.

Parent Act: Coronavirus Act 2020

Date Made: 07 September 2020

Date Laid: 09 September 2020

Coming into force date: 30 September 2020



SL(5)618 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 11) (Blaenau Gwent, Bridgend, Merthyr Tydfil and Newport etc.) Regulations 2020

Procedure: Made affirmative

These Regulations amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (the “principal Regulations”). The amendments—

- designate Blaenau Gwent, Bridgend, and Merthyr Tydfil County Boroughs, and the City and County Borough of Newport, as local health protection areas that are subject to specific restrictions and requirements;
- provide that one of the requirements is that licensed premises must close at 11 p.m. in all local health protection areas (including Caerphilly County Borough);
- provide that it is a reasonable excuse for persons living in accommodation where certain facilities are shared to gather indoors as if they were a single household (this includes houses in multiple occupation and student accommodation);
- make minor amendments to the Welsh language text of regulation 14C of the principal Regulations.

Parent Act: Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984

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