INTERPRETATION OF LEGISLATION, WALES

The Legislation (Wales) Act 2019
(Amendment of Schedule 1)
Regulations 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTE
(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend Schedule 1 to the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019, which makes provision about the meaning of certain words and expressions when they appear in Acts of Senedd Cymru and Welsh subordinate instruments. The words and expressions are to be interpreted in accordance with Schedule 1 except so far as express provision is made to the contrary or the context requires otherwise.

The Regulations insert provisions into Schedule 1 about the meaning of the following expressions—

“Equality and Human Rights Commission”;
“National Trust”;
“Public Accounts Committee”;
“Sentencing Code”.

They also amend the definition of the “standard scale” of fines for summary offences as a consequence of the Sentencing Code (the restatement of sentencing legislation set out in the Sentencing Act 2020).

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.
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Made

Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1(2)

The Welsh Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the power conferred on them by section 6(2) of the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019(1).

A draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of Senedd Cymru in accordance with section 43(2) of that Act.

Title and coming into force

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019 (Amendment of Schedule 1) Regulations 2020.

(2) They come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

Amendments to Schedule 1 to the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019

2.—(1) The Table in Schedule 1 to the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019 (definitions of words and

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(1) 2019 anaw 4, amended by the Senedd and Elections (Wales) Act 2020 (anaw 1), Schedule 1, paragraph 5. There are other amendments not relevant to this instrument.
expressions appearing in Acts of Senedd Cymru and Welsh subordinate instruments) is amended as follows.

(2) Insert the following entries in the appropriate places in alphabetical order—

<table>
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<tr>
<th>“Equality and Human Rights Commission (Comisiwn Cydraddoldeb a Hawliau Dynol)”</th>
<th>“Equality and Human Rights Commission” means the Commission for Equality and Human Rights established by section 1 of the Equality Act 2006 (c. 3);</th>
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<td>“National Trust (Ymddiriedolaeth Genedlaethol)”</td>
<td>“National Trust” means the National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty incorporated by the National Trust Act 1907 (c. cxxxvi);</td>
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<td>“Public Accounts Committee (Pwyllgor Cyfrifon Cyhoeddus)”</td>
<td>“Public Accounts Committee” means the committee of Senedd Cymru established in accordance with section 30 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32) (and referred to in that section as the “Audit Committee”);</td>
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(3) In the definition of “standard scale”, after “meaning given” insert—

“—

(a) in the case of an offence of which the offender is convicted on or after 1 December 2020, by section 122 of the Sentencing Code;

(b) in the case of an offence of which the offender was convicted before that date.”.

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First Minister, one of the Welsh Ministers
Date