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## **WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE WELSH GOVERNMENT**

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**TITLE**            **The Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment etc.)  
(EU Exit) Regulations 2018**

**DATE**            **29 November 2018**

**BY**                **Julie James AM, Leader of the House and Chief Whip**

**The Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018**

### **The law which is being amended**

#### Domestic legislation

- Rabies (Importation of Dogs, Cats and Other Mammals) Order 1974 (UK)
- Artificial Insemination of Pigs (EEC) Regulations 1992 (UK)
- Animals (Post-Import Control) Order 1995 (England, Scotland and Wales)
- Bovine Embryo (Collection, Production and Transfer) Regulations 1995 (UK)
- Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals Order 2011 (England and Wales)

### **Any impact the SI may have on the Assembly's legislative competence and/or the Welsh Ministers' executive competence**

The amendments are to be made by the Secretary of State in relation to UK or GB wide legislation in relation to which the Welsh Ministers have executive functions and the subject matter of the legislation, namely the movement of animals and preventive health measures that apply to the movement of animals in relation to Wales is within the legislative competence of the National Assembly.

### **The purpose of the amendments**

The Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 make corrections that allow national and domestic legislation to be operable once the UK leaves the EU by replacing references where necessary for example omitting the definition of "intra-Area trade" and defining "national trade" as "trade within Great Britain" and by appropriately referencing retained EU law, using powers under the Withdrawal Act. The instrument makes no policy changes.

The SI and accompanying Explanatory Memorandum, setting out the effect of each amendment is available here: <https://www.gov.uk/eu-withdrawal-act-2018-statutory-instruments/the-trade-in-animals-and-related-products-amendment-eu-exit-regulations-2018>

**Why consent was given**

Consent has been given for the UK Government to make these corrections in relation to, and on behalf of, Wales for reasons of efficiency, expediency and due to the technical nature of the amendments. The amendments have been considered fully; and there is no divergence in policy. These amendments are to ensure that the statute book remains functional following the UK's exit from the EU. This is in line with the principles for correcting agreed by the Cabinet Sub-Committee on European Transition in May.