Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



## Presiding Officer's Statement In accordance with Section 111A(3) of the Government of Wales Act 2006

Bills with protected subject-matter: super-majority requirement

Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Bill

In accordance with Section 111A(3) of the Government of Wales Act 2006, the Presiding Officer must, after the last time when a Bill may be amended but before the decision whether to pass or reject it—

- (a) decide whether or not, in the view of the Presiding Officer, any provision of the Bill relates to a protected subject-matter, and
- (b) state that decision.

In my view, the provisions of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Bill, do not relate to a protected subject matter.

This statement is made outside of the provisions of Section 111A(3) of the Act. This breach in procedure will not affect the validity of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act, by virtue of Section 107(3) of the Government of Wales Act 2006 which states that 'the validity of an Act of the Assembly is not affected by any invalidity in the Assembly proceedings leading to its enactment'.

Elin Jones AM Presiding Officer

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