



# Welsh Elections (Coronavirus) Act 2021

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## *General*

### **16 Interpretation**

In this Act—

“the 2006 Act” (“*Deddf 2006*”) means the [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c. 32\)](#);

“the 2007 Order” (“*Gorchymyn 2007*”) means the [National Assembly for Wales \(Representation of the People\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/236\)](#);

“the 2021 election” (“*etholiad 2021*”) has the meaning given by section 1;

“coronavirus” (“*coronafirws*”) means severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2);

“the Llywydd” means the Presiding Officer of Senedd Cymru;

“primary legislation” (“*deddfwriaeth sylfaenol*”) means—

- (a) a Measure passed under Part 3 of the [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c. 32\)](#);
- (b) an Act passed under Part 4 of that Act;
- (c) an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom.

### **17 Power to make consequential and transitional provision etc.**

(1) If the Welsh Ministers consider it necessary or appropriate for the purposes of, in consequence of, or for giving full effect to any provision of this Act or provision made under it, they may by regulations made by statutory instrument make—

- (a) supplementary, incidental or consequential provision;
- (b) transitional, transitory or saving provision.

(2) Regulations under subsection (1) may—

- (a) make retrospective provision in relation to a local authority by-election within the meaning given by section 11(2), including provision having effect in relation to times before the coming into force of this Act;

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- (b) amend, modify, repeal or revoke any enactment (including provision contained in this Act);
  - (c) make different provision for different purposes or areas.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies to a statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (1) that amend, modify or repeal provision contained in primary legislation.
- (4) A statutory instrument to which this subsection applies must be laid before Senedd Cymru and ceases to have effect on the expiry of 28 days beginning with the day it is made unless, before the expiry of that period, it is approved by resolution of Senedd Cymru.
- (5) But if—
  - (a) Senedd Cymru votes on a motion for a resolution to approve a statutory instrument laid under subsection (4) before the expiry of the period of 28 days mentioned in that subsection, and
  - (b) the motion is not passed,the instrument ceases to have effect at the end of the day on which the vote takes place.
- (6) In calculating any period of 28 days for the purposes of subsection (4), no account is to be taken of any period during which Senedd Cymru is—
  - (a) dissolved, or
  - (b) in recess for more than 4 days.
- (7) Subsections (4) and (5) do not—
  - (a) affect anything done in reliance on the regulations before they ceased to have effect, or
  - (b) prevent the making of new regulations.
- (8) A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (1) to which subsection (4) does not apply is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of Senedd Cymru.

## **18 Coming into force**

This Act comes into force on the day after the day on which this Act receives Royal Assent.

## **19 Short title**

The short title of this Act is the Welsh Elections (Coronavirus) Act 2021.