WELSH ELECTIONS (CORONAVIRUS) ACT 2021

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 10 – Power to postpone Senedd by-elections

- 28. This section enables by-elections for Senedd constituencies to be postponed beyond the period permitted by section 10(5) and (6) of the 2006 Act. The power to postpone Senedd by-elections in section 66 of the Coronavirus Act 2020 cannot be exercised so as to fix a date after 6 May 2021. Section 10 of the Act will continue allow vacancies arising after 6 May 2021 to be postponed, but not to dates after 5 November 2021.
- 29. As with Section 6 of this Act and section 66 of the Coronavirus Act 2020, the power to postpone a Senedd by-election may be used more than once.