

# Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Act 2024

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PART 1 — AMENDMENTS RELATING TO CHANGE OF SHORT TITLE OF 2013 ACT

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- 4 Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13)
- 5 The 2013 Act
- 6 Local Government (Wales) Act 2015 (anaw 6)
- 7 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1)
- 8 Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Functions and Responsibilities) (Wales) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/399 (W. 45))
- 9 City and County of Swansea (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1075 (W. 254))
- 10 County Borough of Rhondda Cynon Taf (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1080 (W. 255))
- 11 County of Powys (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1081 (W. 256))
- 12 County of Carmarthenshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1082 (W. 257))
- County Borough of Bridgend (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1084 (W. 258))
- 14 County Borough of Merthyr Tydfil (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1111 (W. 266))

- 15 County of the Isle of Anglesey (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1112 (W. 267))
- 16 County Borough of Wrexham (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1113 (W. 268))
- 17 County Borough of Neath Port Talbot (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1114 (W. 269))
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- 19 County Borough of Torfaen (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1139 (W. 276))
- 20 County of Ceredigion (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1140 (W. 277))
- 21 County of Denbighshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1159 (W. 284))
- 22 City and County of Cardiff (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1160 (W. 285))
- 23 County Borough of Blaenau Gwent (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1161 (W. 286))
- 24 County Borough of Conwy (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1181 (W. 292))
- 25 County of Pembrokeshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1182 (W. 293))
- 26 City and County Borough of Newport (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1216 (W. 305))
- 27 County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1217 (W. 306))
- 28 County of Gwynedd (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1223 (W. 307))
- 29 Monmouthshire (Communities) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1227 (W. 309))
- County of Flintshire (Electoral Arrangements) (No. 2) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1228 (W. 310))
- County of Monmouthshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 (S.I. 2021/1232 (W. 311))
- 32 Monmouthshire (Communities) Order 2022 (S.I. 2022/279 (W. 80))
  PART 2 AMENDMENTS RELATING TO CHANGE OF NAME OF COMMISSION
- 33 Superannuation Act 1972 (c. 11)
- 34 Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70)
- 35 House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24)
- 36 Local Government Act 1992 (c. 19)
- 37 Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38)
- 38 Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36)
- 39 The Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32)
- 40 In section 148(2) (meaning of "Welsh public records")—
- 41 In the table in Part 2 of Schedule 1A (offices...
- 42 In table 1 in paragraph 35(3) of Schedule 11 (transitional...
- 43 Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 1)
- 44 The 2013 Act
- 45 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019 (anaw 3)
- 46 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1)
- 47 In section 10(1) (duty to notify when resolution passed) for...
- 48 In section 11 (initial review)—(a) in subsection (1), for...
- 49 In section 138 (reviews of electoral arrangements)—

- 50 In paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 1 (initial reviews of electoral...
- 51 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023 (asc 1)
- 52 Welsh Language Schemes (Public Bodies) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/1898)
- Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001 (S.I. 2001/341)
- 54 Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/102)
- 55 Welsh Language Standards (No 2) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/182 (W. 76))
- Representation of the People (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/694)
- Government of Wales Act 1998 (Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/970 (W. 239))
- 58 Superannuation (Admission to Schedule 1 to the Superannuation Act 1972) Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/1261)

# SCHEDULE 2 — SENEDD CONSTITUENCIES FOR FIRST GENERAL ELECTION AFTER 6 APRIL 2026

- 1 Elections in relation to which this Schedule applies
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- 3 Notice of commencement of 2026 boundary review
- 4 Matters the Commission may take into account in the 2026 boundary review
- 5 Determining the names of the Senedd constituencies
- 6 Initial report on the 2026 boundary review and first period for representations
- 7 Second report on the 2026 boundary review and second period for representations
- 8 Final report on the 2026 boundary review
- 9 Implementation of final report by the Welsh Ministers
- 10 Modification of final report by the Commission
- 11 Delegation by the Commission of functions under this Schedule
- Welsh Ministers may not give directions to Commission relating to functions under this Schedule
- 13 Interpretation
- Where this Schedule imposes a duty on the Commission to...

### SCHEDULE 3 — NEW PART 3A OF THE 2013 ACT

- 1 Part 3A of the 2013 Act
- 2 Related amendments
- 3 Transitional provision

# **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Act 2024.