



Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Act 2024

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PART 1

THE SENEDD AND WELSH MINISTERS

7 **Review of possible job-sharing of offices relating to the Senedd**

- (1) The Presiding Officer must table a motion that complies with subsection (2)—
 - (a) as soon as practicable after the first meeting of the Senedd following the first general election held after 7 November 2025, and
 - (b) in any event, no later than six months after the first meeting of the Senedd following that election.
- (2) The motion must propose that—
 - (a) the Senedd establish a committee for the purpose of carrying out a review of the extent to which—
 - (i) persons should be able to jointly hold any relevant office;
 - (ii) a person should be able to temporarily hold a relevant office while the person appointed or elected to that office is unavailable, and
 - (b) the committee prepare a report on the review, setting out its recommendations.
- (3) In subsection (2)(a), “relevant office” means the office of—
 - (a) Member of the Senedd;
 - (b) Presiding Officer;
 - (c) Deputy Presiding Officer;
 - (d) member of the Senedd Commission (appointed in accordance with section 27 of the 2006 Act);
 - (e) First Minister;
 - (f) Welsh Minister (appointed under section 48 of the 2006 Act);
 - (g) Deputy Welsh Minister (appointed under section 50 of the 2006 Act);

- (h) Counsel General.
- (4) Subsection (5) applies if, following a review of any of the matters mentioned in subsection (2)(a) by a committee established pursuant to a motion tabled in accordance with subsection (1), a report on the review is laid before the Senedd by the committee.
- (5) If this subsection applies, the Welsh Ministers must lay before the Senedd a statement that—
 - (a) sets out the Welsh Ministers’ response to the report mentioned in subsection (4), and
 - (b) sets out what steps, if any, the Welsh Ministers intend to take in relation to any recommendations in the report.