# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (SINGLE-USE PLASTIC PRODUCTS) (WALES) ACT 2023

## **INTRODUCTION**

#### SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

- Section 1 Key concepts: "plastic product", "single-use" and "plastic"
- Section 2 Prohibited single-use plastic products
- Section 3 Prohibited single-use plastic products: power to amend
- Section 4 Power to amend: duties relating to sustainable development and reporting

#### **Offence**

- Section 5 Offence of supplying prohibited single-use plastic products
- Section 6 Offence: mode of trial and penalty

#### **Enforcement**

- Section 7 Enforcement action by local authorities
- Section 8 Power to make test purchases
- Section 9 Power of entry
- Section 10 Power of entry: residential premises
- Section 11 Power of entry: other circumstances requiring warrant
- Section 12 Powers of entry: supplementary
- Section 13 Power of inspection
- Section 14 Offence of obstruction etc. of officers
- Section 15 Retained property: appeals
- Section 16 Appropriated property: compensation
- Section 17 Civil sanctions

# These notes refer to the Environmental Protection (Single-use Plastic Products) (Wales) Act 2023 (c.2)

Section 18 - Offences committed by partnerships and other unincorporated associations

Section 19 – Criminal liability of senior officers etc.

## **General**

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