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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The Order gives effect, without modifications, to the recommendations contained in the Fifth Periodical Report on Parliamentary Constituencies and First Report on National Assembly for Wales Electoral Regions of the Boundary Commission for Wales dated 31 January 2005<sup>(1)</sup>.

Article 2 and Schedule 1 set out and describe the parliamentary constituencies into which Wales will be divided.

Article 3 and Schedule 2 set out and describe the altered electoral regions of the National Assembly for Wales.

Electoral registration officers are required by article 4 to amend the registers of parliamentary electors and the registers of local government electors to give effect to this Order.

Article 5 revokes the Parliamentary Constituencies (Wales) Order 1995<sup>(2)</sup>.

The Order will come into force fourteen days after the day on which it is made.

By virtue of section 4(6) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act<sup>(3)</sup>, the coming into force of the Order will not affect any parliamentary election until a proclamation is issued by Her Majesty summoning a new Parliament or affect the constitution of the House of Commons until the dissolution of the Parliament then in being.

In addition, by virtue of paragraph 9(2) of Schedule 1 to the Government of Wales Act 1998<sup>(4)</sup> (the 1998 Act), the coming into force of the Order will not affect the operation of section 8 (constituency seats) or 9 (electoral region seats) of that Act, or the constitution of the Assembly, at any time before the next ordinary election to the Assembly.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business, charities, voluntary bodies or the public sector.

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(1) Cmnd. HC 743-1

(2) S.I.1995/1036.

(3) 1986 c. 56.

(4) 1998 c. 38.