



Government of Wales Act 1998

1998 CHAPTER 38

PART III

ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

The statutory committees

59 Members of scrutiny committee etc

- (1) The subordinate legislation scrutiny committee shall have such number of members as the standing orders may provide.
- (2) The members of the subordinate legislation scrutiny committee shall be elected by the Assembly from among the Assembly members so as to secure that, as far as is practicable, the balance of the parties in the Assembly is reflected in the membership of the committee.
- (3) Neither the Assembly First Secretary nor an Assembly Secretary may be a member of the subordinate legislation scrutiny committee.
- (4) The Assembly shall elect one of the members of the subordinate legislation scrutiny committee to chair the committee but it may not be chaired by a member who represents the largest party with an executive role.
- (5) The subordinate legislation scrutiny committee may not delegate the function of making reports under section 58(4).
- (6) But the standing orders may include provision for securing that, in circumstances specified in the standing orders, any function of the subordinate legislation scrutiny committee which is so specified may be exercised—
 - (a) by the member who chairs the committee, or
 - (b) in the absence of that member, by any other member of the committee authorised by that member.
- (7) For the purposes of this Act a party is the largest party with an executive role if—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) an Assembly member representing the party is a member of the executive committee, and
- (b) it is represented by more Assembly members than any other party represented by an Assembly member who is a member of that committee.