



# Government of Wales Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 38

### PART III

#### ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

##### *Miscellaneous*

#### **78 Contempt of court**

- (1) The strict liability rule shall not apply in relation to any publication—
  - (a) made in, for the purposes of or for purposes incidental to proceedings of the Assembly (including proceedings of a committee of the Assembly or of a sub-committee of such a committee), or
  - (b) to the extent that it consists of a report of such proceedings which either is made by or under the authority of the Assembly or is fair and accurate and made in good faith.
- (2) Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) applies, in particular, to any publication made in any evidence, document or communication such as is specified in section 77(2)(a) to (f); and in that subsection “the strict liability rule” and “publication” have the same meanings as in the Contempt of Court Act 1981.