



# Local Government Act 2000

## 2000 CHAPTER 22

### PART III

#### CONDUCT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES

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#### INVESTIGATIONS ETC: WALES

#### *Reports etc.*

#### **72 Interim reports**

- (1) Where he considers it necessary in the public interest, a Local Commissioner in Wales may, before the completion of an investigation under section 69, produce an interim report on that investigation.
- (2) An interim report under this section may cover more than one investigation under section 69 in relation to any members or co-opted members (or former members or co-opted members) of the same relevant authority.
- (3) Where the prima facie evidence is such that it appears to a Local Commissioner in Wales—
  - (a) that the person who is the subject of the interim report has failed to comply with the code of conduct of the relevant authority concerned,
  - (b) that the nature of that failure is such as to be likely to lead to disqualification under section 79(4)(b), and
  - (c) that it is in the public interest to suspend or partially suspend that person immediately,

the interim report may include a recommendation that that person should be suspended or partially suspended from being a member or co-opted member of the relevant

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authority concerned for a period which does not exceed six months or (if shorter) the remainder of the person's term of office.

- (4) Where a Local Commissioner in Wales produces an interim report under this section which contains such a recommendation as is mentioned in subsection (3), he must refer the matters which are the subject of the report to the president of the Adjudication Panel for Wales for adjudication by a tribunal falling within section 76(2).
- (5) A copy of any report under this section must be given—
  - (a) to any person who is the subject of the report,
  - (b) to the monitoring officer of the relevant authority concerned, and
  - (c) to the president of the Adjudication Panel for Wales.
- (6) Where a person is no longer a member or co-opted member of the relevant authority concerned but is a member or co-opted member of another relevant authority in Wales—
  - (a) the second reference in subsection (3) to the relevant authority concerned is to be treated as a reference to that other relevant authority, and
  - (b) the reference in subsection (5)(b) to the relevant authority concerned is to be treated as including a reference to that other relevant authority.