

*These notes refer to the Government of Wales Act 2006  
(c.32) which received Royal Assent on 25 July 2006*

# GOVERNMENT OF WALES ACT 2006

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### DETAILED COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS IN PART 2

#### *“Inclusive” approach to exercise of functions*

#### **Section 86: Laying of reports and statements**

307. Some Acts of Parliament impose requirements on Ministers of the Crown (and others) to lay reports or statements before Parliament. This section makes provision for those cases where the report or statement to be laid relates to matters in respect of which functions are exercisable by the Welsh Ministers, the First Minister, the Counsel General or the Assembly Commission, but the function of making or receiving the report or statement is not one which the Welsh Ministers, the First Minister etc have by virtue of this Act. If no functions in relation to the matters to which the report relates are exercisable any longer by Ministers of the Crown, the requirement to lay the document before Parliament is to be construed as a requirement to lay it before the Assembly instead. If a Minister of the Crown still has functions in relation to those matters, the document must be laid both before Parliament and before the Assembly.