



Government of Wales Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 32

PART 4

ACTS OF THE [F²SENEDD]

Power

[F¹109A Legislative competence: restriction relating to retained EU law

- (1) An Act of the [F²Senedd] cannot modify, or confer power by subordinate legislation to modify, retained EU law so far as the modification is of a description specified in regulations made by a Minister of the Crown.
- (2) But subsection (1) does not apply to any modification so far as it would, immediately before [F³IP completion day], have been within the [F²Senedd's] legislative competence.
- (3) No regulations are to be made under this section unless a draft of the statutory instrument containing them has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.
- (4) A Minister of the Crown must not lay a draft as mentioned in subsection (3) unless—
 - (a) the [F²Senedd] has made a consent decision in relation to the laying of the draft, or
 - (b) the 40 day period has ended without the [F²Senedd] having made such a decision.
- (5) For the purposes of subsection (4) a consent decision is—
 - (a) a decision to agree a motion consenting to the laying of the draft,
 - (b) a decision not to agree a motion consenting to the laying of the draft, or
 - (c) a decision to agree a motion refusing to consent to the laying of the draft;and a consent decision is made when the [F²Senedd] first makes a decision falling within any of paragraphs (a) to (c) (whether or not it subsequently makes another such decision).

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- (6) A Minister of the Crown who is proposing to lay a draft as mentioned in subsection (3) must—
- (a) provide a copy of the draft to the Welsh Ministers, and
 - (b) inform the Presiding Officer that a copy has been so provided.
- (7) See also section 157ZA (duty to make explanatory statement about regulations under this section including a duty to explain any decision to lay a draft without the consent of the [F2Senedd]).
- (8) No regulations may be made under this section after the end of the period of two years beginning with exit day.
- (9) Subsection (8) does not affect the continuation in force of regulations made under this section at or before the end of the period mentioned in that subsection.
- (10) Any regulations under this section which are in force at the end of the period of five years beginning with the time at which they came into force are revoked in their application to any Act of the [F2Senedd] which receives Royal Assent after the end of that period.
- (11) Subsections (4) to (9) do not apply in relation to regulations which only relate to a revocation of a specification.
- (12) In this section—
- “the 40 day period” means the period of 40 days beginning with the day on which a copy of the draft instrument is provided to the Welsh Ministers, and, in calculating that period, no account is to be taken of any time during which the [F2Senedd] is dissolved or during which it is in recess for more than four days.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 109A inserted (26.6.2018 for specified purposes, 31.12.2020 in so far as not already in force) by [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), **ss. 12(4)**, 25(2)(b) (with s. 19, Sch. 2 paras. 3(5), 14(5), Sch. 8 para. 37, Sch. 8 para. 41); S.I. 2020/1622, reg. 3(g) (with reg. 10)
- F2** Words in Act substituted (6.5.2020) by [Senedd and Elections \(Wales\) Act 2020 \(anaw 1\)](#), s. 42(2), **Sch. 1 para. 2(19)** (with Sch. 1 para. 2(11)-(14))
- F3** Words in s. 109A(2) substituted (31.1.2020 for specified purposes, 31.12.2020 in so far as not already in force) by [European Union \(Withdrawal Agreement\) Act 2020 \(c. 1\)](#), s. 42(7), **Sch. 5 para. 29** (with s. 38(3)); S.I. 2020/75, reg. 4(n)(x); S.I. 2020/1622, reg. 5(j) (with reg. 10)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 109A: power to repeal conferred (4.7.2018) by [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), **ss. 12(9)-(11)**, 25(4) (with s. 19, Sch. 8 paras. 37, 41); S.I. 2018/808, reg. 3(c)
- C2** S. 109A excluded (31.12.2020) by [United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020 \(c. 27\)](#), **ss. 10(6)(b)**, 59(3) (with s. 55(2)); S.I. 2020/1621, reg. 2(a)
- C3** S. 109A excluded (31.12.2020) by [United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020 \(c. 27\)](#), **ss. 18(6)(b)**, 59(3) (with s. 55(2)); S.I. 2020/1621, reg. 2(b)

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