

*These notes refer to the Climate Change Act 2008 (c.27)  
which received Royal Assent on 26th November 2008*

# CLIMATE CHANGE ACT 2008

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 5: Other provisions**

##### **Miscellaneous**

##### ***Section 80: Report on climate change: Wales***

454. This section requires the Welsh Ministers to lay before the National Assembly for Wales, from time to time, a report on greenhouse gas emissions and the impacts of climate change on Wales.
455. *Subsection (1)* requires the Welsh Ministers to include in their report their objectives in relation to greenhouse gas emissions and the impacts of climate change in Wales, the action they (and others) have taken to deal with those emissions and impacts and their future priorities for dealing with them.
456. *Subsection (2)* requires the Welsh Ministers to set out how they intend to exercise their power to issue directions to reporting authorities under section 67. *Subsection (3)* provides that this does not affect the Welsh Ministers' general discretion as to how they may exercise their power to issue directions
457. *Subsection (4)* makes it a requirement that the second and subsequent report under this section should include an assessment of the progress made towards implementing the objectives in earlier reports.
458. *Subsection (5)* defines "Wales", for the purpose of this section, by reference to section 158(1) of the [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c.32\)](#). This definition includes the sea adjacent to Wales out as far as the seaward boundary of the territorial sea.