



# British Sign Language Act 2022

## 2022 CHAPTER 34

### *Duties relating to the promotion and facilitation of British Sign Language*

#### **3 Guidance on use of British Sign Language**

- (1) The Secretary of State must issue guidance, or arrange for guidance to be issued, about the promotion and facilitation of the use of British Sign Language.
- (2) Guidance under this section may for example include—
  - (a) advice for relevant government departments on providing information to the Secretary of State in accordance with section 2(4),
  - (b) advice on best practice for communicating with British Sign Language users (both when interacting with individuals and when communicating with the public at large), and
  - (c) case studies to illustrate the value of providing British Sign Language interpretation in communications with the public.
- (3) Guidance under this section must not include advice or other material which—
  - (a) relates only to Scotland and does not relate to reserved matters (within the meaning of the Scotland Act 1998);
  - (b) relates only to Wales and does not relate to reserved matters (within the meaning of the Government of Wales Act 2006).
- (4) The Secretary of State must arrange for any guidance issued under this section to be published.