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LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

**The Local Authorities (Elected Mayors) (England) Regulations
2005**

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Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1(1)

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by sections 39(5) and 105 of the Local Government Act 2000(a), hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation, commencement and application

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Local Authorities (Elected Mayors) (England) Regulations 2005 and shall come into force on the day that section 19(1) of the Children Act 2004(b) comes into force.

(2) These Regulations apply in relation to local authorities in England only.

Elected mayor to be treated as member

2. An elected mayor of a local authority is to be treated as a member of the local authority for the purposes of section 19(1) of the Children Act 2004 (lead member for children's services).

1st August 2005

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(a) 2000 c.22.
(b) 2004 c.31.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Section 39(5) of the Local Government Act 2000 provides for the Secretary of State to make regulations specifying, for the purposes of certain enactments, that an elected mayor of a local authority is to be treated as a member or councillor of that authority.

Regulation 2 specifies that an elected mayor is to be treated as a member for the purposes of section 19 of the Children Act 2004 “the 2004 Act”.

Section 19 of the 2004 Act provides that a children’s services authority in England must designate one of their members as the “lead member for children’s services”. A children’s services authority is defined, for the purposes of the 2004 Act, in section 65 of that Act. The effect of the Regulations is to allow a local authority to designate an elected mayor as the lead member for children’s services, and the Regulations will come into force at the same time as section 19 of the 2004 Act.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.

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