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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order is made under section 3 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014 (“the Act”) and designates the County Council of the City and County of Cardiff as the licensing authority for the whole of Wales for the purposes of Part 1 of the Act.

Part 1 of the Act relates to the Regulation of Private Rented Housing. It includes a requirement for most landlords of dwellings let, or to be let, on domestic tenancies, to register with the relevant designated licensing authority. Similarly, persons engaged in letting or managing such dwellings, are required to obtain a licence from the relevant designated licensing authority.

In accordance with section 3(4) of the Act, the Welsh Ministers have consulted with the County Council of the City and County of Cardiff and such other persons as they considered appropriate before making this Order.

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to this Order. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a Regulatory Impact Assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with this Order. The Impact Assessment prepared for the Act is relevant and a copy may be obtained from the Department of Housing, Welsh Government, Rhydycar Business Park, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 1UZ.