

2012 No. 969 (W. 126) (C. 31)

WELSH LANGUAGE, WALES

The Welsh Language (Wales)
Measure 2011 (Commencement
No.4) Order 2012

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order is made under sections 156(2) and 150(5) of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 and brings into force provisions of the Measure that abolish the Welsh Language Board and establish the office of Welsh Language Commissioner.

Provisions commenced by this Order will ensure the transfer of the Board's functions under the Welsh Language Act 1993 to the Commissioner. This Order also commences provisions conferring additional powers upon the Commissioner including powers that will enable the Commissioner to undertake preparatory work necessary for the introduction of Welsh language standards.

**NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT
ORDERS**

(This note is not part of the Order)

The following provisions of the Measure have been brought into force by commencement orders made before the date of this Order:

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
section 2(2) (partially)	28 June 2011	2011/1586 (W. 182)
section 2(3) (partially)	28 June 2011	2011/1586 (W. 182)
section 23(1) (partially)	10 January 2012	2012/46 (W.10)
section 23(4)	10 January 2012	2012/46 (W.10)
sections 138 and 139	28 June 2011	2011/1586 (W. 182)
section 146 (partially)	28 June 2011	2011/1586 (W. 182)
sections 148 and 149	5 February 2012	2012/223 (W.37)
Schedule 1, paragraphs 3, 7, 8, 13 and 21	28 June 2011	2011/1586 (W. 182)
Schedule 4, paragraphs 1, 5, 10 and 11	10 January 2012	2012/46 (W.10)
Schedule 12, paragraphs 1, 2 and 6	28 June 2011	2011/1586 (W. 182)

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Made

27 March 2012

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 150(5) and 156(2) of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011⁽¹⁾, make the following Order:

Title

1. The title of this Order is the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 (Commencement No.4) Order 2012.

Commencement

2. The following provisions of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 come into force on 1 April 2012—

- (a) sections 2, 23, 138, 139 and 146 to the extent that these sections are not already in force;
- (b) Schedules 1, 4 and 12 to the extent these Schedules are not already in force;
- (c) sections 3, 5 and 6;
- (d) section 7 except for
 - (i) subsections (2) and (6) where those subsections relate to Part 5, and
 - (ii) subsections (3)(b), (4), (8) and (10);
- (e) Schedule 2 except for paragraph 8(2)(a);
- (f) sections 8 to 10 and 12 to 15;
- (g) section 16 except for subsections (2)(a) and (b);
- (h) sections 17 to 19;

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- (i) Part 4 is commenced as follows:
 - (i) Chapters 2 to 5,
 - (ii) Chapter 8, and
 - (iii) Chapter 9 except for section 69;
- (j) Schedules 5 to 9;
- (k) Part 6;
- (l) paragraphs 9 and 18 of Schedule 11 and section 120(4) in so far as it relates to those paragraphs;
- (m) sections 134 to 137;
- (n) section 140 except for the following:
 - (i) subsection (1)(c), and
 - (ii) subsections (1)(d) and (e) where those subsections refer to investigations under Part 5;
- (o) section 141 except for the following:
 - (i) subparagraph (a) of the definition of “complainant”, and
 - (ii) subparagraph (b) of the definition of “investigation”;
- (p) sections 142, 143, 144(3)(b) and 147.

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