

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT****The General Teaching Council for Wales (Additional Functions) Order 2000****Background**

The General Teaching Council for Wales ("the Council") is a body corporate established by an Order made under the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998 ("the Act").

One of the functions conferred upon the Council under the Act was to establish and maintain a register of teachers.

This Order confers additional powers upon the Council to maintain in a written or electronic form records relating to:

- 1). teachers whose names have been removed from the register,
- 2). certain teachers who are ineligible for registration,
- 3). teachers with qualified teacher status who are not registered,
- 4). persons who have undertaken teacher training,
- 5). certain unqualified teachers,
- 6). unregistered teachers preparing for the National Professional Qualification for Headship,
- 7). registered persons who have a teaching reference number and who are, or have in the past been, serving teachers.

The Order went out for consultation prior to being laid before the Assembly.

Standing Order 11.5

The Legal advisers to the Committee were given an early opportunity to comment on the Regulations and consequently there are no points in respect of which the Committee needs to invite the Assembly to pay special attention.

General Observations

Again as a result of the opportunity to comment there are no general observations to be made.

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Chair, Legislation Committee

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