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LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT
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The Coffee Extracts and Chicory Extracts (Wales) Regulations 2001

Background

These Regulations implement an EU Directive concerning the description and labelling of foods containing coffee or chicory extract.

Regulations to the same effect have been made for England in SI 2000/3323 which was made on 17 December 2000 and came into force on 15 January 2001.

Standing Order 11.5

Two points have been identified in respect of which the drafting of the Regulations appears to be defective and, in the second instance, in which there is additionally inconsistency between the English and Welsh texts.

The first point concerns the definition of "food authority" in Regulation 2(1). This has no relevance in Wales and should thus not be included.

The second point concerns the provisions which prescribe specific terminology for the marking and labelling of products. The English text prescribes English terminology and the Welsh text prescribes Welsh terminology. There is no provision to indicate whether bilingual labelling/marking is required or whether labelling in one language only is permissible.

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It is considered that the above matters are minor drafting errors which would be appropriate for correction by means of a Memorandum of Corrections. Accordingly, subject to a Memorandum of Corrections being duly laid before the Assembly, the Committee is content to report that no matters arise under SO 11.5 to which it needs to invite the Assembly to pay special attention.

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