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**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT  
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**The Foot-And-Mouth Disease (Ascertainment of Value) (Wales) (No. 4) Order 2001**

**Background**

This is the 4<sup>th</sup> order in the series of orders (subsequent ones replacing previous ones) which have established a standard scale for compensation in respect of animals slaughtered under the foot and mouth control provisions.

The only changes from the No. 3 Order are in the Schedule –

The “Clean cattle” references are now restricted to animals over 7 months.

The entry in respect of “Breeding cows” is stated to include calves one month old or younger.

A class is added for four categories of calf over one month and up to 7 months.

**Standing Order 11.5**

A point of concern in relation to the drafting of the Order arises in respect of the Schedule entry referring to “Breeding cows”. The effect of the bracketed wording which indicates that this class includes calves one month old or younger is not understood.

It is accordingly concluded that, in accordance with SO 11.4, the following questions should be referred to the relevant Assembly Minister on the basis that this may be a matter which the Committee will need to report to the Assembly under SO 11.5(iv) or (v). The questions which it is considered should be referred to the Minister are as follows –

Does the bracketed wording in the entry relating to “Breeding cows” indicate that calves of one month or less can be identified as breeding animals and will thus be compensated at £1,100 each?

If so, what compensation rate will apply for such animals which exceed one month?

If the provision in question has some other meaning, can it be explained what it is?

### **General Observations**

A point has already been raised with the relevant Assembly Minister with regard to the ability to provide simultaneous Welsh drafting or translation facilities for statutory instruments which, as in the present case, have to be made urgently.

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