



**Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru  
The National Assembly for Wales**

**ADRODDIAD GAN Y PWYLLGOR DEDDFAU**

**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

**The Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Amendment) (Wales) (No. 4) (Amendment) Order 2001**

**Background**

The Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Amendment) (Wales) (No. 4) Order 2001 introduced revised provisions into the main 1983 Order with regard to access to land (in particular the closure of public rights of way) in controlled areas. The regulations also contained a saving, however, whereby restrictions on access to land introduced prior to that amendment continued to have effect until revoked by a declaration of the Minister of Agriculture or the local authority.

The present regulations amend this saving provision so as to make it clear that declarations revoking earlier restrictions can revoke those earlier restrictions either in whole or in part.

The present regulations have been made under the executive procedure.

**Standing Order 11.5**

No points have been identified as matters in respect of which the Committee needs to invite the Assembly to pay special attention.

**General Observations**

A question has been raised with the relevant Assembly Minister in the context of previous foot and mouth disease statutory instruments, as to the ability to produce bilingual texts

notwithstanding the urgency with which the legislation has to be prepared. The response to that letter, when received, will be of equal relevance to the present statutory instrument.

Mick Bates AM  
**Chair, Legislation Committee**

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