

**ADRODDIAD GAN Y  
PWYLLGOR DEDDFAU****LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
REPORT****DRAFFT****DRAFT****Health & Social Care (Community Health & Standards) Act 2003  
(Commencement No.4) (Wales) Order 2006**

This Order commences provisions of the Health and Social Act 2003 relating to the provision of, and the maintenance of lists of persons entitled to perform primary dental services. The Order also commences provisions which will enable Local Health Boards to enter into general dental services contracts and personal dental services agreements.

**Standing Order 11.7**

Legal Advisers had the opportunity of scrutinising a previous draft of this Order. Consequently potential reporting points under Standing order 11.7(v) have been taken into account in the current draft.

The Assembly is invited to take special notice under Standing order 11.7(viii) that the Order is drafted in English only. It is understood that the Minister considered it impractical for the legislation to be prepared in bilingual form because contract negotiations with the dental profession and Local Health Boards went on later than anticipated and it is imperative that the reforms are implemented in England

and Wales on 1 April 2006. There is also a need for these provisions to come into force in sufficient time to enable Local Health Boards and dentists to enter into the contracts and agreements in readiness for 1 April 2006.

## **Observations**

Nil

## **Legal Advisers**

Legislation Committee

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