Subordinate Legislation Committee

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SLC283: Subordinate Legislation Committee Report

Under Standing Order 15.2 the Assembly is invited to pay special attention to the following instrument.

Title: The Purity Criteria for Colours, Sweeteners and Miscellaneous Food Additives (Wales) Regulations 2009

These Regulations provide for the implementation of three new commission Directives governing the purity criteria for colours, sweeteners, and other Miscellaneous additives used in food.

These Regulations also amend in relation to Wales the Colours in Food Regulations 1995, the Sweeteners in Food Regulations 1995, and the Miscellaneous Food Additives Regulations 1995.

Procedure: Negative

Under Standing Order 15.2 the Assembly is invited to pay special attention to this instrument on the following grounds: That its drafting appears to be defective (SO 15.2 (vi))

In the English text Regulation 3(2)(a) refers to omitting the definition of "Directive 95/31/EC" in the Sweeteners in Food Regulations 1995.

However, in the Welsh text Regulation 3(2)(a) refers to omitting "Directive 95/45/EC" which is inaccurate and irrelevant to these Regulations.

The correct reference is "Directive 95/31/EC.

Legal Advisers

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The Government has responded as follows:

The Government has indicated that it accepts the reporting point and that it intends to make amending Regulations to correct the error before the Summer Recess"."