

Finance Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 2 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Thursday, 7 November 2013**

Meeting time: **09:00 – 10:38**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Jocelyn Davies (Chair)
Peter Black
Christine Chapman
Paul Davies
Mike Hedges
Ann Jones
Julie Morgan
Simon Thomas

Witnesses:

Mark Drakeford, Minister for Health and Social Services
Sally Hughes, Welsh Government
Marc Osland, Welsh Government

Committee Staff:

Fay Buckle (Clerk)
Gareth Price (Clerk)
Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public to the meeting.

2 National Health Service Finance (Wales) Bill: Stage 2 – Consideration of Amendments

2.1 In accordance with Standing Order 26.21, the Committee considered and disposed of the amendments to the Bill in the following order:

Sections 1 – 3

Section 1:

No amendments were tabled to this section, therefore it was deemed agreed to.

Section 2:

Amendment 8 (Mark Drakeford) was withdrawn

Amendment 3 (Paul Davies)

For	Against	Abstain
Simon Thomas	Christine Chapman	
Peter Black	Julie Morgan	
Paul Davies	Mike Hedges	
Jocelyn Davies	Ann Jones	
4	4	0
As the vote was tied, the Chair used her casting vote in the negative (in accordance with SO 6.20 (ii)), Amendment 3 was not agreed to.		

Amendment 1 (Simon Thomas) was withdrawn

Amendment 2 (Simon Thomas)

For	Against	Abstain
Simon Thomas	Christine Chapman	
Peter Black	Julie Morgan	
Paul Davies	Mike Hedges	
Jocelyn	Ann	

Davies	Jones	
4	4	0
As the vote was tied, the Chair used her casting vote in the negative (in accordance with SO 6.20 (ii)), Amendment 2 was not agreed to.		

Amendment 10 (Simon Thomas) was withdrawn

Amendment 9 (Mark Drakeford) was agreed to, in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (i).

Section 3:

No amendments were tabled to this section, therefore it was deemed agreed to.

New Sections:

Amendment 4 (Paul Davies)

For	Against	Abstain
Simon Thomas	Christine Chapman	
Peter Black	Julie Morgan	
Paul Davies	Mike Hedges	
Jocelyn Davies	Ann Jones	
4	4	0
As the vote was tied, the Chair used her casting vote in the negative (in accordance with SO 6.20 (ii)), Amendment 4 was not agreed to.		

Amendment 5 (Paul Davies) was withdrawn

Amendment 6 (Paul Davies) was withdrawn

Amendment 7 (Paul Davies) fell

2.2 The Chair advised that all sections of the Bill had been agreed by the Committee and as all amendments had been disposed of, Stage 3 will commence from 8 November 2013.

3 Papers to note

3.1 The papers were noted.

3.1 National Health Service Finance (Wales) Bill: Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services (29 October 2013)

3.2 Education (Wales) Bill: Letter from the Minister for Education and Skills (22 October 2013)

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Finance Wales Inquiry: Consideration of Draft Terms of Reference

5.1 Committee considered and agreed the paper. They also suggested the possibility of having an expert advisor to assist with this inquiry.

6 Consideration of draft report on the Welsh Government draft budget proposals 2014–15

6.1 Committee made some slight amendments and agreed the final draft version and noted it would be published on 12 November 2013.