Plenary

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 18 March 2014

Meeting time:

13.30

Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



Agenda

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1 Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call the Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

View Questions

Urgent Question

Byron Davies (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on claims by the First Minister that the Welsh Government will no longer bear costs associated with electrification of the Valleys Lines?

2 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

View Business Statement and Announcement

Motion to elect Members to Committees NDM5471 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order

17.14, elects Alun Ffred Jones (Plaid Cymru) as a member, and Chair, of the Environment and Sustainability Committee in place of Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Plaid Cymru).

3 Debate: The Report of the Expert Group on Diversity in Local Government (60 mins) NDM5462 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Expert Group on Diversity in Local Government.

The Report is available on the following link:

http://wales.gov.uk/docs/dsjlg/publications/localgov/140305-expert-group-report-en.pdf

The following amendment has been tabled:

Amendment 1 - Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to work with local authorities to encourage family-friendly working environments, and to take into account the report's findings regarding childcare availability, timings of meetings and the atmosphere of council meetings.

4 Debate: The Legislative Programme (60 mins)

NDM5463 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Welsh Government's Legislative Programme.

Details of the Welsh Government's Legislative Programme can be found at:

http://wales.gov.uk/legislation/programme/?lang=en

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 - Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes concerns raised about the number of framework bills being brought to the Assembly.

Amendment 2 - Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes concerns raised about the number of occasions that the Assembly's standard legislative process has been curtailed.

Amendment 3 - Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes with concern the recent trend of framework bills, and fast-tracked and emergency legislation, which undermines the capacity for effective legislative scrutiny and strong democratic accountability.

Amendment 4 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Government to bring forward a bill on special educational needs within the next year.

Amendment 5 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises that the success of the Legislative Programme relies on a comprehensive and coherent Programme for Government.

Amendment 6 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that the Legislative Programme is restricted by referrals of government legislation to the Supreme Court.

Voting Time

5 Report Stage debate for the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Bill (150 mins) The amendments will be disposed of in the order that the sections and schedules to which they relate were set out in the motion under Standing Order 26.36 agreed by the Assembly on 11 March 2014.

The amendments have been grouped for the purposes of debate and the groupings will be debated as follows:

1. Statutory principles

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2. Technical

11, 22, 23, 24, 25, 43, 52, 55, 56, 57, 58, 97, 60, 63, 64, 65, 66, 69, 70, 83, 84, 85, 87, 91, 10

3. UN Principles and Convention

7, 8, 9

4. Assessment of actions required to provide services in languages other than English

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5. Care and support in the home

108, 114

6. Provision of accessible information, advice and assistance

7. Refusal of a needs assessment

8. Combining needs assessments and other assessments

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19, 20, 21
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9. Regulations about assessments

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10. Determination of eligibility

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11. Zero hours contracts

102, 103, 105

12. Duty to meet carers' support needs

13. Direct payments

14. Protecting property of persons being cared for away from home

15. Deferred payment agreements and recovery of charges

51, 53

16. Transfer of assets to avoid charges

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17. Appeals against decisions taken by the local authority

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110, 111, 107
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18. Promotion and maintenance of contact between child and family

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- 19. Post-18 living arrangements
- 2, 3, 4
- 20. Support for category 4 young people

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21. Arrangements to assist children to live outside England and Wales

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- 22. Social services functions
- 98, 99, 100
- 23. Interpretation of prison and contracted out prison for the purposes of section 156
- 67, 94
- 24. Definition of well-being for the purposes of the Children Act 2004

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25. Adoption services

112, 6

- 26. Local authority duties in relation to care leavers who are in prison, youth detention accommodation or bail accommodation etc
- 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82
- 27. Provider failure
- 86, 88, 89, 90

28. Review of the Act

118, 119, 115, 116

29. Review of future demand for social care and health care

120, 117

30. General interpretation and index of defined expressions

92, 93, 96, 95

* Group 4:

These amendments will be disposed of in the order—1A, 1

(Amendment 1 is the lead amendment in the group).

Supporting Documents

Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Bill, as amended at Stage 3

Explanatory Memorandum revised after Stage 2

Marshalled List of Amendments

Grouping of Amendments

6 Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Bill (15 mins)

At the conclusion of Report Stage the Deputy Minister may propose that the Bill be passed in accordance with Standing Order 26.47.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 19 March 2014