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Dear Elin

Withdrawal of Bus Services (Wales) Bill

I am writing to notify you that I am withdrawing the Bus Services (Wales) Bill in accordance with Standing Order 26.79. I am most grateful for your considered assessment of this legislation and your determination before its introduction. However the challenges the Government is facing in delivering its legislative programme because of Covid-19 and EU transition, compounded by the impact of the pandemic on the bus industry, mean that the First Minister and I have agreed to withdraw the Bill. The First Minister will confirm this decision in his statement on the Legislative Programme later today.

I am copying this letter to Russell George MS, Chair of the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee, Sian Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Services, Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service and Owain Roberts, Head of Table Office.

Yours sincerely

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