

UK MINISTERS ACTING IN DEVOLVED AREAS

203- The Veterinary Medicines and Residues (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 *Laid in the UK Parliament: 2 November 2020*

Sifting

Subject to sifting in UK Parliament?	No
Procedure:	Draft Affirmative
Date of consideration by the House of Commons European Statutory Instruments Committee	N/A
Date of consideration by the House of Lords Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	N/A
Date sifting period ends in UK Parliament	N/A
SICM under SO 30A (because amends primary legislation)	Not required

Scrutiny procedure

Outcome of sifting	N/A
Procedure	Draft Affirmative
Date of consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments	11/11/2020
Date of consideration by the House of Commons Statutory Instruments Committee	Not known
Date of consideration by the House of Lords Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Not known

Background

These Regulations are proposed to be made by the UK Government pursuant to sections 8 and 8C of and paragraph 21 of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

Summary

These Regulations amend both domestic and retained direct EU legislation to ensure that the regulatory regimes for veterinary medicines and residues surveillance remain operable and enforceable in the United Kingdom (UK) after the end of the Implementation Period (IP), and that the UK meets its obligations under the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland to the withdrawal agreement.

The amendments also introduce light touch regulatory controls on medicines that are approved in Northern Ireland and not Great Britain and that move from Northern Ireland onto the Great Britain market. These controls are necessary to ensure that the UK regulator, has the necessary assurances of safety quality and efficacy for medicines on the UK market for the purposes of ensuring public health, animal health and welfare and consumer safety.

Statement by Welsh Government

Legal Advisers agree with the statement laid by the Welsh Government dated 4 November 2020 regarding the effect of these Regulations.

Intergovernmental Agreement on the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill

The above summary and the content of the Explanatory Memorandum to these Regulations confirm their effect.

Legal Advisers do not consider that any significant issues arise under paragraph 8 of the Memorandum on the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill and the Establishment of Common Frameworks in relation to these Regulations.