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28 September 2021

Jeremy Miles MS

Minister for Education and Welsh Language

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Dear Minister,

### **Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Professional Qualifications Bill**

The Committee considered the LCM for the Professional Qualifications Bill at its last meeting on 16 September 2021.

The Committee's report on the LCM has been laid in advance of the reporting deadline of 30 September. I write to draw your attention to information requested by the Committee in advance of plenary debate on the LCM, as set out in paragraphs 29 and 30 of the report:

The Committee would like Welsh Government to provide further information on the following matters:

- To provide its assessment on the impact of the Bill on regulated professions in Wales;
- To outline the impact on regulated professional qualifications in Wales for the purposes of ascertaining demand for certain professions
- To provide an update on discussions with the UK Government on its request for clarification on the scope of the Bill and its application to certain sectors, such as further education.
  
- To provide details of any discussions undertaken with the UK Government regarding any amendments that the Welsh Government has requested be made to the Bill.
- To provide an update on discussions the Welsh Government has had with affected regulators in Wales, including public sector organisations.
- To describe the relationship to, and combined effect of, the Bill with other relevant UK arrangements, such as the UK Internal Market Act 2020, the new immigration system and future international agreements.

Given the lack of time available for further scrutiny of the Bill's provisions or to publish related Committee correspondence, the Committee calls on the Welsh Government to provide the



information requested as soon as possible, and make it available to all Senedd Members in advance of plenary consideration of the Legislative Consent Motion associated with this Bill.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Davies". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P'.

Paul Davies MS

Chair: Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee

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