SL(6)293 – <u>The Common Organisation of the Markets</u> <u>in Agricultural Products (Amendment) (Wales)</u> <u>Regulations 2022</u>

Background and Purpose

These Regulations make various technical amendments to retained EU and EU derived domestic legislation relating to marketing standards for agricultural products. The amendments fall into two categories:

- Consequential amendments resulting from the introduction of the Agriculture Act 2020; and
- Operability amendments arising from the UK's exit from the European Union.

The amendments either omit cross references to articles of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 (EUR 2013/1308) ("the CMO Regulation") which have been disapplied by Part 4 of Schedule 7 to the Agriculture Act 2020, in some cases together with associated wording, or operate to substitute references to articles of the CMO Regulation with an appropriate reference to retained EU legislation or to the Agriculture Act 2020.

Procedure

Negative.

The Regulations were made by the Welsh Ministers before they were laid before the Senedd. The Senedd can annul the Regulations within 40 days (excluding any days when the Senedd is: (i) dissolved, or (ii) in recess for more than four days) of the date they were laid before the Senedd.

Technical Scrutiny

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument.

Merits Scrutiny

The following point is identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

1. Standing Order 21.3(ii) – that it is of political or legal importance or gives rise to issues of public policy likely to be of interest to the Senedd

Similar amendments are made to other retained EU legislation and EU derived domestic legislation in relation to Wales by the Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Amendment) Regulations. This instrument was made by the Secretary of State on 7



November 2022 and laid before Parliament on 8 November 2022, coming into force on 1 December 2022.

Lesley Griffiths MS, Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd, laid a <u>Written Statement</u> before the Senedd under Standing Order 30C in relation to this instrument on 9 November 2022.

Welsh Government response

A Welsh Government response is not required.

Legal Advisers
Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee
7 December 2022