

David Rees MS,
Chair, Reform Bill Committee

3 August 2023

Dear David,

Scrutiny of legislation to reform the Senedd

In anticipation of the introduction of the first Senedd Reform Bill early in the autumn term, the Finance Committee considered a paper on its approach to scrutinising the Bill at its meeting on 6 July. We agreed that, due to the unique nature of this Bill, the Committee would invite oral evidence from a range of stakeholders relating to its financial implications and not just the Member in Charge, as is usually the case.

In addition to the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution, the Committee has identified the Senedd Commission, the Independent Remuneration Board of the Senedd, the Electoral Commission and the Welsh Local Government Association, as key stakeholders with particular interests in the costs of the Bill.

Given that the Reform Bill Committee may also invite the same stakeholders to attend evidence sessions, I would like to explore ways in which we could work together to avoid duplication and to maximise the time available for robust parliamentary scrutiny of this legislation.



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I fully recognise that your Committee has not yet had an opportunity to discuss these issues, given it was only established on 12 July. However, we would be grateful if you could consider working collaboratively with the Finance Committee on engaging with these stakeholders when the Senedd returns from recess in September.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peredur Owen Griffiths', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
Chair of the Finance Committee

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

