

Huw Irranca-Davies MS

Chair

Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

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Dear Huw

Local Government Finance (Wales) Bill

On 25 January 2024 we held evidence sessions with several stakeholders as part of our Stage 1 scrutiny of the Local Government Finance (Wales) Bill.

During our first session, the Chartered Institute of Taxation reiterated concerns they had set out in their written evidence, namely that “the extensive use of wide regulatory powers in this Bill undermines the essential work of the Senedd, and other interested parties, in scrutinising the government and its legislative proposals”. They added that, in their view, “secondary legislation should generally be reserved for administrative matters, and for the setting of rates”.

Given the relevance to your remit and your Committee’s own scrutiny of the Bill, we agreed to draw the discussion to your attention. Further detail is available in the Committee meeting transcript, and in the responses to our consultation on the Bill.

Yours sincerely



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John Griffiths MS

Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

