

Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS WITH CLEAR REPORTS

CLA321 – THE FAMILY ABSENCE FOR MEMBERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES
(WALES) REGULATIONS 2013

Procedure: **Affirmative**

Part 2 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011() (“the Measure”) makes available to members of local authorities entitlement to a period of family absence.

The Measure creates an entitlement to five types of family absence: maternity absence; newborn absence; adopter’s absence; new adoption absence and parental absence. The entitlement created by the Measure is subject to members satisfying conditions prescribed by the Welsh Ministers in regulations.

These Regulations prescribe the conditions that members of local authorities must satisfy to be entitled to a period of family absence. The Regulations also make provision, amongst other things, about the extent of the various periods of absence; the cancellation of periods of absence and bringing absence to an end.

CLA322 – The Building (Amendment No 2) (Wales) Regulations 2013

Procedure: **Negative**

These Regulations amend the Building Regulations 2010 (S.I. No. 2010/2214).

These Regulations substitute a new Schedule 3 to the Building Regulations 2010 in relation to Wales.

The new Schedule 3 (self-certification schemes and exemptions from requirement to give building notice or deposit full plans) adds to the list of bodies specified in column 2 as bodies authorised to register persons for the purposes of self certification in relation to the specific types of work specified at column 1.

When work is carried out by an installer, assessed as competent for a type of work and registered as a scheme member, there is no need to involve a building control body before work commences or to pay a building control charge. This reduces costs for both installers and building owners.

These amendments make the changes necessary to the 2010 Regulations to ensure they correctly represent the current position regarding authorised schemes and the types of work which scheme operators and their members may carry out.