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Dear Minister

CLA362 – The Leasehold Valuation Tribunals (Fees) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014

The Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee considered the above Statutory Instrument at its meeting on 3 March 2014.

Whilst we were content with the instrument, you will see from our report (attached) that we had concerns regarding the context. Amendments to the Welsh version of the principal regulations were required following amendments to the English version by the *Employment and Support Allowance (Consequential Provisions) (No.3) Regulations 2008*. The 2008 Regulations purported to make consequential changes to nine sets of Welsh regulations, but only made changes to the English text. In the case of the present Regulations, there has therefore been a discrepancy between the Welsh and English texts for over five years.

The Committee therefore seeks reassurance from the Welsh Government that action has been taken to bring into line the Welsh and English texts of the other sets of regulations amended in English only by the 2008 Regulations.

While we note a reference to the specific issue we refer to above has been included in the Explanatory Note, we would have expected to see some commentary regarding regulation 2(4)(c) in the Explanatory Memorandum,

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possibly under the section entitled 'Matters of Special Interest to the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee'.

I look forward to receiving your response to the points issues we have raised in due course.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Melding". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

David Melding AM
Chair