## **National Assembly for Wales**

# Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

CLA683 - The Common Agricultural Policy (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2016

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### Background

These Regulations amend the Common Agricultural Policy Basic Payment and Support Schemes (Wales) Regulations 2015 and the Common Agricultural Policy (Integrated Administration and Control System and Enforcement and Cross Compliance) (Wales) Regulations 2014. The changes relate to administrative aspects of the Basic Payment Scheme and an amendment of the Cross Compliance Regulations to allow farmers to leave a rough surface over winter.

#### **Technical Scrutiny**

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

#### Merits Scrutiny

The following points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

In accordance with Section 11A (4) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, as inserted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 10 to the Government of Wales Act 2006, the Minister for Finance and Government Business wrote to the Presiding Officer on 12th February 2016 to advise her that the "21 day rule" will be breached for the introduction of this instrument. The letter stated that Welsh Government Legal Services had been instructed to revoke and remake the Regulations so as to allow the appropriate 21 days between laying and coming into force. The Regulations revoking this instrument (The Common Agricultural Policy (Amendment) (No 2) (Wales) Regulations) were laid on 25 February 2016 and come into force on 18 March.

Legal Advisers Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee 02 March 2016

