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National Assembly for Wales Children, Young People and Education Committee

> Julie Morgan AM Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services

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Dear Julie

Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill: children's awareness

During the course of our scrutiny of the Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill the importance of raising public awareness of the legislation, if passed, has been raised by a number of those who have provided written and oral evidence.

The main focus of contributions to date has been on raising awareness among adults, particularly parents, carers and relevant professionals. As a Committee, we are also conscious of the importance of considering how awareness of the legislation among children would be raised.

As such, we would be grateful if you could outline any information you have on the steps you have considered/will be considering in preparation for raising awareness of the legislation among children, including pre-school children We would be particularly grateful to know more about the methods that are being/will be developed (and how), and your assessment of the likely level of resource required for such activity.

I have also written to the Children's Commissioner for Wales to request a view from her on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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