

PUBLIC AUDIT (WALES) ACT 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1: Auditor General for Wales

Section 2 – Office of Auditor General for Wales

5. This section provides for the office of the AGW to continue. At present, the office of AGW is established under Schedule 8 to the Government of Wales Act 2006. By reference to the office of AGW continuing, the effect is that there is no break in the continuity of that office or in the exercise of the functions of that office. Under section 2(2) Her Majesty is to appoint an individual to that office on the nomination of the National Assembly for Wales ('the Assembly'). Appointment to the office is for a maximum of 8 years; a person may only hold the office of AGW once.
6. Before making a nomination to Her Majesty as to the person who should be appointed as AGW, the Assembly must be satisfied reasonable consultation with those bodies representing the interests of local government bodies in Wales has been undertaken.