



Wales Act 2017

2017 CHAPTER 4

PART 1

CONSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

Elections

7 Electoral registration: the digital service

(1) Section 10ZC of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (registration of electors in Great Britain) is amended as set out in subsections (2) to (4).

(2) In subsection (4)—

(a) for ““this section, so far as”” substitute “this section—

(a) so far as”;

(b) at the end insert “, and

(b) so far as it is exercisable by a Minister of the Crown to make provision about a UK digital service in relation to elections in Wales, is exercisable by the Welsh Ministers concurrently with that Minister.”

(3) After subsection (5) insert—

“(5A) The power of the Welsh Ministers to make regulations by virtue of subsection (4) is not exercisable without the agreement of a Minister of the Crown.

(5B) A statutory instrument containing regulations made by the Welsh Ministers by virtue of subsection (4) is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of the National Assembly for Wales.”

(4) In subsection (6), after the definition of ““election in Scotland”” insert—

““election in Wales”” means—

(a) an election of Assembly members, or

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- (b) a local government election in Wales;”.
- (5) Section 10ZD of that Act (registration of electors in Great Britain: alterations) is amended as set out in subsections (6) to (8).
- (6) In subsection (4)—
- (a) for ““this section, so far as”” substitute “this section—
 - (a) so far as”;
 - (b) at the end insert “, and
 - (b) so far as it is exercisable by a Minister of the Crown to make provision about a UK digital service in relation to elections in Wales, is exercisable by the Welsh Ministers concurrently with that Minister.”
- (7) After subsection (5) insert—
- “(5A) The power of the Welsh Ministers to make regulations by virtue of subsection (4) is not exercisable without the agreement of a Minister of the Crown.
- (5B) A statutory instrument containing regulations made by the Welsh Ministers by virtue of subsection (4) is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of the National Assembly for Wales.”
- (8) In subsection (6), after ““election in Scotland”” insert “, election in Wales ”.
- (9) Section 53 of that Act (power to make regulations about registration etc) is amended as set out in subsections (10) to (12).
- (10) In subsection (9)—
- (a) for ““this section, so far as”” substitute “this section—
 - (a) so far as”;
 - (b) at the end insert “, and
 - (b) so far as it is exercisable by a Minister of the Crown to make provision about a UK digital service in relation to elections in Wales, is exercisable by the Welsh Ministers concurrently with that Minister.”
- (11) After subsection (10) insert—
- “(10A) The power of the Welsh Ministers to make regulations by virtue of subsection (9) is not exercisable without the agreement of a Minister of the Crown.
- (10B) A statutory instrument containing regulations made by the Welsh Ministers by virtue of subsection (9) is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of the National Assembly for Wales.”
- (12) In subsection (11), after the definition of ““election in Scotland”” insert—
- ““election in Wales”” means—
- (a) an election of Assembly members, or
 - (b) a local government election in Wales;”.

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Commencement Information

II [S. 7](#) in force at 1.4.2018 by [S.I. 2017/1179](#), [reg. 3\(b\)](#)

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- specified provision(s) transitional and savings provisions for commencing S.I. 2017/1179 by [S.I. 2018/278](#) reg. 2Sch.