

SL(5)030 – The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Budget Motions and Designated Bodies) Order 2016

Background and Purpose

The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Budget Motions and Designated Bodies) Order 2016 designates specified bodies in relation to the Welsh Ministers for the purpose of including within a budget motion the resources expected to be used by those bodies. This Order designates three bodies: Local Health Boards, Career Choices Dewis Gyrfa Limited and Hybu Cig Cymru–Meat Promotion Wales.

Procedure

Negative

Technical Scrutiny

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

Merits Scrutiny

One point is identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument (SO 21.3 (ii): that it is of political or legal importance or gives rise to issues of public policy likely to be of interest to the Assembly).

Section 126A(9) and (10) of the Government of Wales Act 2006 provide for the Order to be subject to either the affirmative or the negative resolution procedure.

The explanatory memorandum states that the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government is of the view that the Order be subject to the negative resolution procedure as there are no factors indicating the use of the affirmative procedure as necessary. The Order designates bodies for the purposes of including within a Budget motion, information relating to the resources expected to be used by those bodies. Inclusion of the resources of the designated bodies within the Budget Motion will minimise alignment discrepancies between the Budget, Budget Motion and consolidated accounts, but will have no effect on the resource limits of those bodies. The subject matter of the Order can therefore be regarded as administrative as the effect on the Budget will be presentational.



Committee Consideration

The Committee considered the instrument at its meeting on 28 November 2016. The Committee reports to the Assembly in line with the merits reporting point above.

Legal Advisers

Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

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