



Senedd and Elections (Wales) Act 2020

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- 2 National Assembly for Wales renamed Senedd Cymru or Welsh Parliament
- 3 Acts of the National Assembly for Wales renamed Acts of Senedd Cymru
- 4 Members to be known as Members of the Senedd
- 5 Clerk of the Assembly renamed Clerk of the Senedd
- 6 National Assembly for Wales Commission renamed Senedd Commission
- 7 National Assembly for Wales Commissioner for Standards renamed Senedd Commissioner for Standards
- 8 National Assembly for Wales Remuneration Board renamed the Independent Remuneration Board of the Senedd
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- 2 Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32)
- 3 National Assembly for Wales Commissioner for Standards Measure 2009 (nawm 4)
- 4 National Assembly for Wales (Remuneration) Measure 2010 (nawm 4)
- 5 Legislation (Wales) Act 2019 (anaw 4)

SCHEDULE 2 — ELECTORAL COMMISSION: FURTHER AMENDMENTS

- 1 Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2)
- 2 Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41)
- 3 (1) Section 6 is amended as follows.
- 4 After section 6 insert— Reviews of devolved electoral matters in...
- 5 In section 6C(3), after “6F” insert “or 6G”.
- 6 In section 6D(4), after “6F” insert “or 6G”.
- 7 (1) Section 6F is amended as follows.
- 8 After section 6F insert— Code of practice on attendance of...
- 9 (1) Section 9A is amended as follows.
- 10 After section 9A insert— Performance standards for devolved elections and...
- 11 In section 9B, in subsections (1) and (4), after “9A(1)”...
- 12 In section 9C(2)— (a) in paragraph (b), after “9A(6)” insert...
- 13 In section 13(12), after “met under” insert “paragraph 16A of...
- 14 (1) Schedule 1 is amended as follows.

SCHEDULE 3 — NEW SCHEDULE 1A TO THE GOVERNMENT OF WALES
ACT 2006