

*These notes refer to the School Standards and Organisation (Wales)
Act 2013 (c.1) which received Royal Assent on 4 March 2013*

SCHOOL STANDARDS AND ORGANISATION (WALES) ACT 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 3 - School Organisation

Sections 57 to 63 - Rationalisation of Schools Places – powers and procedures

79. These sections set out powers of the Welsh Ministers to direct local authorities and governing bodies to exercise their powers under Chapter 2 of this Part to make proposals to increase or decrease the number of school places in their area so as to address insufficient or excessive provision - i.e. “rationalise school places”.
80. If the local authority fails to rationalise school places, the Welsh Ministers are provided with powers to make their own proposals to rationalise places (and these provisions also set out the procedure to be followed in the event that such proposals are published).
81. These sections largely re-enact Schedule 7 to the 1998 Act.