

# Senedd and Elections (Wales) Act 2020

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### PART 5

#### MISCELLANEOUS

#### **36** Timing of first meeting of the Senedd after a general election

- (1) In section 3 of the 2006 Act (ordinary general elections), in subsection (2)(b), for "seven" substitute "fourteen".
- (2) In section 4 of the 2006 Act (power to vary date of ordinary general election), in subsection (2)(c), for "seven" substitute "fourteen".
- (3) In section 5 of the 2006 Act (extraordinary general elections), in subsection (4)(c), for "seven" substitute "fourteen".

#### 37 Powers of the Senedd Commission: provision of goods and services

In Schedule 2 to the 2006 Act (Assembly Commission), in paragraph 4, for subparagraph (4) substitute—

- "(4) The Senedd Commission may—
  - (a) provide goods or services to the public, or
  - (b) make arrangements for the provision of goods or services to the public.
- (4A) The Senedd Commission may charge for goods or services provided under sub-paragraph (4)."

## 38 Report on extension of right to vote and change to qualification for membership of the Senedd

(1) The Welsh Ministers must, before the end of the period of 6 months beginning with the first day after the end of the reporting period, prepare and publish a report on the operation of the provisions of this Act that—

- (a) extend the right to vote in Senedd elections to persons who are aged 16 or 17,
- (b) extend the right to vote in Senedd elections to persons who are qualifying foreign citizens,
- (c) allow qualifying foreign citizens to be Members of the Senedd, and
- (d) disqualify members of county and county borough councils in Wales from being Members of the Senedd.
- (2) The report published under subsection (1) must be laid before the Senedd.
- (3) In subsection (1), "reporting period" means the period of 5 years beginning with the day of the first Senedd election at which the poll is held on or after 5 April 2021.