Wales Act 2017

2017 CHAPTER 4

PART 2

LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE COMPETENCE: FURTHER PROVISION

Road transport

26 Roads: speed limits, pedestrian crossings and traffic signs

(1) The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 is amended as follows.

(2) In section 17 (traffic regulation on special roads), after subsection (3ZA) insert—

"(3ZAA) The power to make provision of the following kinds by regulations under subsection (2) is exercisable by the Welsh Ministers—

(a) provision with respect to a particular special road in Wales;

(b) provision for regulating the speed of vehicles on special roads in Wales."

(3) In section 25 (pedestrian crossing regulations)—

(a) in subsection (1), for "national authority" substitute "relevant authority";

(b) after subsection (6) insert—

"(7) In this section "relevant authority" means—

(a) in relation to a function so far as exercisable within devolved competence, within the meaning of the Scotland Act 1998, means the Scottish Ministers;

(b) in relation to a function so far as exercisable within devolved competence, within the meaning given by section 58A(7) and (8) of the Government of Wales Act 2006, means the Welsh Ministers;

(c) otherwise, means the Secretary of State."

(4) In section 64 (general provisions as to traffic signs)—

(a) for "national authority", in each place, substitute "relevant authority";

(b) after subsection (6) insert—

"(6A) In this section "relevant authority" means—

(a) in relation to a function so far as exercisable within devolved competence, within the meaning of the Scotland Act 1998, means the Scottish Ministers;

(b) in relation to a function so far as exercisable within devolved competence, within the meaning given by section 58A(7) and (8) of the Government of Wales Act 2006, means the Welsh Ministers;

(c) otherwise, means the Secretary of State."

(5) In section 86 (speed limits for particular classes of vehicles), in subsection (7)—

(a) in paragraph (a) omit "and Wales";

(b) after paragraph (a) insert—

"(aa) as respects the driving of vehicles on roads in Wales, is the Welsh Ministers;".

(6) In section 87 (exemption of emergency vehicles from speed limits) (as substituted by section 19 of the Road Safety Act 2006)—

(a) in subsection (1)(b), for "national authority" substitute "relevant authority";

(b) after subsection (6) insert—

"(7) In this section "relevant authority"—

(a) in relation to a function so far as exercisable within devolved competence, within the meaning of the Scotland Act 1998, means the Scottish Ministers;

(b) otherwise, means the Secretary of State."

(7) In section 88 (temporary speed limits), in subsection (7A)—

(a) in paragraph (a) omit "and Wales";

(b) after paragraph (a) insert—

"(aa) in relation to roads in Wales, is the Welsh Ministers;".

(8) In section 142(1) (general interpretation), in the definition of "national authority", after paragraph (a) insert—

"(aa) in relation to Wales, means the Welsh Ministers;".