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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2006 No. 3339 (W.302) (C.120)**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WALES**

The Local Government Act 2003 (Commencement  
No. 1 and Savings) (Wales) Order 2006

Made - - - - 12 December 2006

The National Assembly for Wales makes the following Order in exercise of the powers given to it by section 128(4) and (9) of the Local Government Act 2003<sup>(1)</sup>.

**Title and Interpretation**

1.—(1) The title of this Order is the Local Government Act 2003 (Commencement No. 1 and Savings) (Wales) Order 2006.

(2) In this Order “the Act” (“*y Ddeddf*”) means the Local Government Act 2003.

**Coming into force**

2. Subject to Article 3, section 63 of the Act comes into force on 1 April 2007.

**Savings**

3. Sections 42A(1), 43(6B) and 47(3A) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988<sup>(2)</sup>, as they apply to any financial year ending on or before 31 March 2007, are to continue to operate in relation to Wales as if the amendments to those sections had not been made by section 63 of the Act.

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998<sup>(3)</sup>.

12 December 2006

*D. Elis-Thomas*  
The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

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(1) 2003 c. 26.  
(2) 1988 c. 41.  
(3) 1998 c. 38.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force section 63 of the Local Government Act 2003 on 1 April 2007. This section repeals for Wales the mandatory and discretionary rate relief in the rural rate relief scheme (established by provisions in sections 42A(1), 43(6B) and 47(3A) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988) through amending the existing provisions so that they apply to England only.

Article 3 makes savings so that the unamended sections of the 1988 Act will continue to operate, in respect of financial years ending on or before 31 March 2007, as if section 63 of the 2003 Act had not been brought into force.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The following provisions of the Act which apply in relation to Wales have been brought into force by commencement order made by the First Secretary of State before the date of this Order:

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No</i>
Sections 83, 92(1), 100(1), (2) and (4) to (8), 101 (partially), 107, 108, 111, and 127(1) (partially); and paragraphs 31, 36 to 39 and 65 of Schedule 7.	18 November 2003	<a href="#">2003/2938</a>
Section 127(1) (partially); and paragraphs 27 and 33(2) and (4) of Schedule 7.	1 April 2004	<a href="#">2003/2938</a>
Sections 62(11) and 127(1) (partially); and paragraphs 20, 21, 25(4) to (6) and 26(3) of Schedule 7.	25 November 2004	<a href="#">2004/3132</a>

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