

# **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) MEASURE 2011**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 9 – Collaboration and Amalgamation**

##### ***Section 164 – Requirement to hold a referendum involving an elected mayor***

198. Requires the Welsh Ministers, when making an amalgamation order, to require the shadow authority for the new local government area to hold a referendum on whether the new authority (when it comes into being formally) should operate the elected mayor and cabinet form of executive arrangements. The requirement to hold such a referendum will apply only where at least one of the authorities to be amalgamated is already operating with an elected mayor and cabinet executive.