

*These notes refer to the Water Act 2003 (c.37) which received Royal Assent on 20th November 2003*

# **WATER ACT 2003**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 2: New Regulatory Arrangements, Etc**

*Sections 34 to 38 and Schedules 1 to 3 Establishment, etc of new bodies*  
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#### **Section 34 and Schedule 1: Water Services Regulation Authority.**

This section adds a new section 1A to the Water Industry Act and repeals Section 1 and Schedule 1A of that Act.

99. *New Section 1A* establishes the Water Services Regulation Authority, and provides that it is a body corporate that performs its functions on behalf of the Crown. The Welsh name for this Authority is specified as the Awdurdod Rheoleiddio Gwasanaethau D#r.
100. Subsection (2) inserts a new Schedule 1A into the Water Industry Act which sets out the provisions for the appointment and conditions of members of the Authority, stipulating that the Authority comprises a chairman and at least two other members, to be appointed by the Secretary of State in consultation with the Assembly. The Schedule also provides for the appointment of staff to serve the Authority, for proceedings, including the delegation of functions, within the Authority, and for a code of practice.
101. Subsection (3) abolishes the office of the Director General of Water Services.