



Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 23

[^{F1}PART 3A

DATA MATCHING

[^{F1}64H Powers of Secretary of State

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order amend this Part—
 - (a) to add any purpose mentioned in subsection (2) to the purposes for which data matching exercises may be conducted,
 - (b) to modify the application of this Part in relation to a purpose so added.
- (2) The purposes which may be added are—
 - (a) to assist in the prevention and detection of crime (other than fraud) in or with respect to Wales,
 - (b) to assist in the apprehension and prosecution of offenders in or with respect to Wales,
 - (c) to assist in the recovery of debt owing to Welsh public bodies.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by order amend this Part—
 - (a) to add a Welsh public body to the list of bodies in section 64B(2),
 - (b) to modify the application of this Part in relation to a body so added,
 - (c) to remove a body from that list.
- (4) Before making an order under this section, the Secretary of State must consult the Auditor General for Wales.
- (5) An order under this section—
 - (a) is to be made by statutory instrument, and
 - (b) may include such incidental, consequential, supplemental or transitional provision as the Secretary of State thinks fit.
- (6) No order under this section may be made unless a draft of the statutory instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004, Section 64H. (See end of Document for details)

(7) In this section “Welsh public body” means a public body (as defined in section 12(3)) whose functions relate exclusively to Wales or an area of Wales.]

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Textual Amendments

F1 Pt. 3A inserted (1.3.2008 for s. 64G(1)(3)(4) and 6.4.2008 otherwise) by [Serious Crime Act 2007](#) (c. 27), ss. 73, 94, [Sch. 7 para. 4](#); S.I. 2008/219, [art. 3\(i\)](#); S.I. 2008/755, [art. 16](#)

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