# **GOVERNMENT OF WALES ACT 2006**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **DETAILED COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS IN PART 6**

### Membership

# Paragraph 1

- 635. Paragraph 1(1) provides that unless the Presiding Officer ceases to be an Assembly member (otherwise than by reason of a dissolution of the Assembly), the Presiding Officer continues to hold office as a member of the Assembly Commission until another person is elected to the office of Presiding Officer (under section 25).
- 636. Paragraphs 1(2) and (3) provide that the four other members of the Assembly Commission appointed under section 27(3) remain in office, including after a dissolution, until a replacement is appointed. They would only cease to be a member of the Assembly Commission if they died, became disqualified from being an Assembly member, resigned their seat as an Assembly member or their office as a member of the Assembly Commission, or were removed from the Assembly Commission by resolution of the Assembly.
- 637. Thus the effect of paragraph 1 is to allow the Assembly Commission to continue to function during a dissolution.