Equality Act 2010

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PART 11

ADVANCEMENT OF EQUALITY

CHAPTER 1

PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY

157 Interpretation

(1) This section applies for the purposes of this Chapter.

[[F1](2) A relevant Welsh authority is a devolved Welsh authority (within the meaning given by section 157A of the Government of Wales Act 2006) other than the Assembly Commission.**]**

(3) A cross-border Welsh authority is a person other than a relevant Welsh authority (or the Assembly Commission) who has any function that—

(a) is exercisable in or as regards Wales, and

(b) is a devolved Welsh function.

(4) The Assembly Commission has the same meaning as in the Government of Wales Act 2006.

[[F2](5) A function is a devolved Welsh function if—

(a) it relates to a matter in respect of which functions are exercisable by the Welsh Ministers, the First Minister for Wales or the Counsel General to the Welsh Government, or

(b) provision conferring the function would be within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales.**]**

(6) A relevant Scottish authority is a public body, public office or holder of a public office—

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(a) which is not a cross-border Scottish authority or the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body,

(b) whose functions are exercisable only in or as regards Scotland, and

(c) at least some of whose functions do not relate to reserved matters.

(7) A cross-border Scottish authority is a cross-border public authority within the meaning given by section 88(5) of the Scotland Act 1998.

(8) A function is a devolved Scottish function if it—

(a) is exercisable in or as regards Scotland, and

(b) does not relate to reserved matters.

(9) Reserved matters has the same meaning as in the Scotland Act 1998.

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 157(2) substituted (1.4.2018) by Wales Act 2017 (c. 4), s. 71(4), **Sch. 6 para. 84(2)** (with Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6); S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 3(r)

F2 S. 157(5) substituted (1.4.2018) by Wales Act 2017 (c. 4), s. 71(4), **Sch. 6 para. 84(3)** (with Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6); S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 3(r)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 40A inserted by 2023 c. 51 s. 1
- s. 120(9) inserted by 2023 c. 51 s. 2(b)
- s. 124A inserted by 2023 c. 51 s. 3