These notes refer to the Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011 (c.14) which received Royal Assent on 15 September 2011

FIXED-TERM PARLIAMENTS ACT 2011

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 5: General election for National Assembly for Wales not to fall on same date as parliamentary general election under section 1(2)

- 35. Section 5 provides that the general elections for the National Assembly for Wales which are scheduled to take place on 7 May 2015 will instead take place on 5 May 2016. Subsequent ordinary general elections will be scheduled to be held on the first Thursday in May in the fourth calendar year after the May 2016 general elections.
- 36. The provisions under the Government of Wales Act 2006 which relate to setting and varying the date of ordinary and extraordinary general elections still apply.