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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 2689**

**The Access to Information (Post-Commencement Adoptions) (Wales) Regulations 2005**

**PART 7**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Offence**

**19.** A registered adoption society which discloses any information in contravention of section 57 of the Act (restrictions on disclosure etc. of information) is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

**Fees charged by adoption agencies**

**20.—(1)** Subject to paragraph (2) an adoption agency may charge a fee which it determines to be a reasonable fee —

- (a) in respect of the disclosure of information under sections 61 or 62 of the Act;
- (b) for providing counselling in connection with the disclosure of information under those sections; or
- (c) for making arrangements to secure counselling in accordance with regulation 16 where the counselling is provided by a person outside the United Kingdom.

(2) No fee shall be payable by an adopted person in respect of any information disclosed to him or her under section 60, 61 or 62 in relation to any relative of his or her or for any counselling provided to him or her in connection with any such disclosure.

(3) An adoption agency must, before providing a service to any person for which it may charge a fee under this regulation, give the person information about its fees.