

# Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013

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# PART 2

## THE WALES AUDIT OFFICE AND ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE AUDITOR GENERAL

# CHAPTER 2

# RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE AUDITOR GENERAL AND THE WAO

Fees

## 23 General provision relating to fees

- (1) Fees and other sums received by the Auditor General must be paid to the WAO.
- (2) The WAO may charge a fee in relation to the audit of a person's accounts or statement of accounts by the Auditor General.
- (3) The WAO may charge a fee in relation to—
  - (a) an examination, certification or report under paragraph 18(3) of Schedule 8 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (certain examinations into the economy etc with which a person has used resources);
  - (b) an examination under section 145 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (examinations into the use of resources) or a study under section 145A of that Act (studies for improving economy etc in services), where undertaken at a person's request;
  - [<sup>F1</sup>(ba) an examination, certification or report under section 31 of the Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Act 2016 in respect of the Welsh Revenue Authority's Tax Statement;]
    - (c) an examination or study undertaken by the Auditor General at a person's request under section 46(4) of the Environment Act 1995;

- [<sup>F2</sup>(ca) an examination under section 15 of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (anaw 2) (examinations of public bodies for the purposes of assessing the extent to which a body has acted in accordance with the sustainable development principle);]
  - (d) any services provided or functions exercised under section 19.

(4) The WAO must charge a fee in relation to—

- (a) the provision of services to a body under paragraph 20 of Schedule 8 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (certification of claims, returns etc at the request of a body);
- (b) a study at the request of an educational body under section 145B of the Government of Wales Act 1998.

(5) Fees under this section—

- (a) may only be charged in accordance with a scheme prepared by the WAO under section 24;
- (b) may not exceed the full cost of exercising the function to which the fee relates;
- (c) are payable to the WAO by the person to whom the function being exercised relates.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 S. 23(3)(ba) inserted (1.4.2018) by Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Act 2016 (anaw 6), ss. 36, 194(2); S.I. 2018/33, art. 3
- F2 S. 23(3)(ca) inserted (1.4.2016) by Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (anaw 2), s. 56(2), Sch. 4 para. 32; S.I. 2016/86, art. 3

#### **Commencement Information**

II S. 23 in force at 1.4.2014 by S.I. 2013/1466, art. 3(1)

#### Status:

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#### Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013, Section 23.