



# Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013

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## PART 5

### OTHER CHANGES TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### *Private Bills*

#### **53 Opposing private Bills**

- (1) A local authority may, in accordance with this section, oppose a private Bill—
  - (a) in Parliament;
  - (b) in the National Assembly for Wales.
- (2) A local authority may oppose a Bill only if satisfied that it is expedient to do so.
- (3) A resolution of a local authority to oppose a Bill under this section must be passed at a meeting of the authority by a majority of the total number of the members of the authority.
- (4) A local authority must not hold a meeting under subsection (3) unless the conditions in subsection (5) have been met in relation to that meeting.
- (5) The conditions are—
  - (a) that the local authority has given notice of the meeting and its purpose in at least one newspaper circulating in its area, and
  - (b) that a period of 10 days, beginning with the day after notice was given, has expired.
- (6) The condition mentioned in subsection (5)(a) is in addition to the notice requirements which ordinarily apply to meetings of a local authority.