



Higher Education (Wales) Act 2015

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PART 1

INTRODUCTION

1 Overview of this Act

- (1) This Act has eight Parts.
- (2) This Part contains an overview of the Act.
- (3) Part 2 makes provision about fee and access plans. It deals with—
 - (a) the contents of a fee and access plan, including a fee limit;
 - (b) failure to comply with a fee limit or other requirement included in a fee and access plan;
 - (c) the validity of certain contracts;
 - (d) the monitoring of fee and access plans.
- (4) Part 3 makes provision about the assessment of the quality of education provided by or on behalf of institutions that have a fee and access plan, including provision about—
 - (a) powers available for the purposes of assessment;
 - (b) steps that may be taken by HEFCW in respect of education of inadequate quality.
- (5) Part 4 makes provision about the preparation and publication of a code relating to the organisation and management of the financial affairs of institutions that have a fee and access plan, including provision about—
 - (a) compliance with the code;
 - (b) powers available for the purposes of monitoring compliance with the code, and in the case of failure to comply with the code.
- (6) Part 5 makes provision for circumstances in which—
 - (a) HEFCW may refuse to approve a new fee and access plan for an institution;

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- (b) HEFCW must, or may, withdraw their approval of an institution's fee and access plan.
- (7) Part 6 makes procedural provision about notices and directions given by HEFCW (including provision about the review of certain notices and directions).
- (8) Part 7 makes supplementary provision about functions of HEFCW, including provision relating to guidance, reports, information and advice.
- (9) Part 8 contains general provisions, including provision about—
 - (a) the exercise of powers to make regulations;
 - (b) the interpretation of terms used in the Act.
- (10) That Part also introduces a Schedule containing amendments to existing enactments and transitional provision.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act repealed by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 31](#)