## LAND TRANSACTION TAX AND ANTI-AVOIDANCE OF DEVOLVED TAXES (WALES) ACT 2017

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

**Part 8** – Interpretation and Final Provisions

Schedule 5 - Higher rates residential property transactions

Part 5 - Supplementary provisions

## **Alternative finance arrangements**

221. Paragraph 33 states how the rules for higher rates residential property transactions apply where alternative finance arrangements are entered into by a person and a financial institution for the purposes of the acquisition of a major interest in a dwelling. These provisions have the effect of ensuring that the financial institution does not enter into a residential property transaction by virtue of being party to a transaction. Instead the person who enters the alternative finance arrangement with the financial institution in order to ultimately own the property is to be treated as the buyer and it is their circumstances that will be relevant in establishing if the higher rates apply.