

*These notes refer to the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Act 2018 (c.5) which received Royal Assent on 9 August 2018*

# **PUBLIC HEALTH (MINIMUM PRICE FOR ALCOHOL) (WALES) ACT 2018**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### ***Schedule 1: Fixed Penalties***

94. [Schedule 1](#) to this Act contains provisions relating to fixed penalties.
95. These include the required contents of the penalty notice and the specified periods for payment. The Schedule provides that the amount of a fixed penalty is £200 but this can be reduced to £150 if paid within 15 days of when the fixed penalty notice is given. It also contains provision enabling the Welsh Ministers to amend those penalty amounts by regulations.
96. [Paragraphs 15](#) and [16](#) enable a person to request to be tried for the offence in court instead of paying the fixed penalty. [Paragraph 17](#) permits authorised officers of the issuing local authority to withdraw a fixed penalty notice. [Paragraph 18](#) prevents a local authority from using amounts received from fixed penalty notices otherwise than for the purpose of its enforcement functions under this Act and any regulations made under it.