

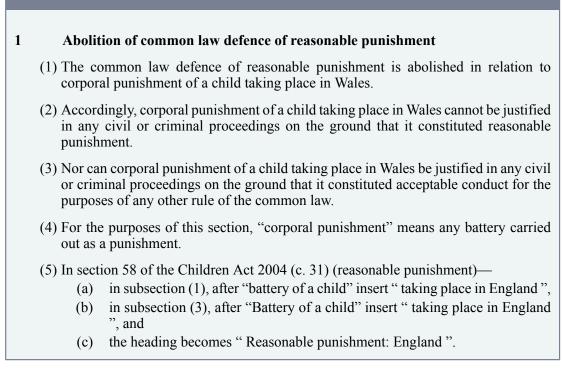
Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Act 2020

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An Act of the National Assembly for Wales to abolish the common law defence of reasonable punishment in relation to corporal punishment of a child taking place in Wales; and for connected purposes. [20 March 2020]

Having been passed by the National Assembly for Wales and having received the assent of Her Majesty, it is enacted as follows:

VALID FROM 21/03/2022



Status: Point in time view as at 21/03/2020. This version of this Act contains provisions that are not valid for this point in time. Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Act 2020. (See end of Document for details)

2 Promoting public awareness of the coming into force of section 1

The Welsh Ministers must take steps before the coming into force of section 1 to promote public awareness of the changes to the law to be made by that section.

Commencement Information

II S. 2 in force at 21.3.2020, see s. 5(1)

3 Reporting requirements

- (1) The Welsh Ministers must prepare two reports on the effect of the changes to the law made by section 1.
- (2) The first report must be prepared as soon as practicable after the expiry of the period of 3 years beginning with the coming into force of section 1.
- (3) The second report must be prepared as soon as practicable after the expiry of the period of 5 years beginning with the coming into force of section 1.
- (4) The Welsh Ministers must, as soon as practicable after preparing a report under this section—
 - (a) lay the report before the National Assembly for Wales, and
 - (b) publish the report.

Commencement Information

I2 S. 3 in force at 21.3.2020, see s. 5(1)

4 **Power to make transitional etc. provision by regulations**

- (1) Regulations made by the Welsh Ministers may make transitory, transitional or saving provision in connection with the coming into force of section 1.
- (2) The power to make regulations under subsection (1) is exercisable by statutory instrument.

Commencement Information

I3 S. 4 in force at 21.3.2020, see s. 5(1)

5 Coming into force

- (1) This section and section 2, section 3, section 4, and section 6 come into force on the day after the day on which this Act receives Royal Assent.
- (2) Section 1 comes into force at the expiry of the period of 2 years beginning with the day after the day on which this Act receives Royal Assent.

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Commencement InformationI4S. 5 in force at 21.3.2020, see s. 5(1)

6 Short title

The short title of this Act is the Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Act 2020.

Commencement Information

I5 S. 6 in force at 21.3.2020, see s. 5(1)

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Changes to legislation:

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