

*These notes refer to the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (c.1) which received Royal Assent on 20 January 2021*

# **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 1: Elections**

##### ***Section 22 – Translations etc. of documents at local government elections in Wales***

153. **Section 22** of the Act makes provision about making documents relating to voting at local government elections more accessible to voters who might experience difficulty with understanding the standard form and content of such documents.
154. The section amends section 199B of the 1983 Act so that it does not apply to local government elections in Wales (it continues to apply to parliamentary elections in Wales).
155. New section 199C of the 1983 Act restates the provision in section 199B(1) to (4) of the 1983 Act with one exception: where the person responsible for making the election documents available thinks that it is appropriate to make them available in other languages under section 199C(2)(b) the document is to be made available in languages other than English “and Welsh”.