CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT (WALES) ACT 2021 (ASC 4)

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 4 Assessment and Progression

Section 56 – Duty to make provision about assessment arrangements

- 128. These section requires the Welsh Ministers to make regulations about assessment arrangements. These are arrangements for assessing (by reference to the curricula prepared under Parts 2 and 3):
 - the progress made by pupils and children,
 - the next steps in their progression, and
 - the teaching and learning needed to make that progress.
- 129. The Welsh Ministers will have the flexibility to determine the most appropriate assessment arrangements for maintained schools, maintained nursery schools, FNNE settings, PRUs and non-PRU EOTAS, and for the pupils and children for whom teaching and learning is provided. As mentioned above, the results of any assessments must be taken into account in considering whether a curriculum needs to be revised.

Section 57 - Promoting and maintaining understanding of progression

130. This section enables the Welsh Ministers to issue directions to any of the "relevant persons" listed in section 56(4) to take specified steps to promote and maintain an understanding of progression.