

# **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) MEASURE 2011**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 1 – Strengthening local democracy**

##### ***Section 21 – Head of democratic services to be a politically restricted post***

38. Amends section 2(1) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 to include the head of democratic services as a politically restricted post. The effect is that the post-holder is prevented from having any active political role either in or outside the workplace. Politically restricted employees will automatically be disqualified from standing for or holding elected office and these restrictions must be incorporated as terms in the employee's contract of employment under section 3 of the Local Government (Political Restrictions) Regulations 1990.