



# Wales Act 2017

## 2017 CHAPTER 4

### PART 2

#### LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE COMPETENCE: FURTHER PROVISION

##### *Miscellaneous*

### **53 Transfer of functions in relation to fishing vessels**

- (1) The functions to which this section applies, so far as exercisable in relation to Welsh fishing boats beyond the seaward limits of the Welsh zone, are transferred to the Welsh Ministers.
- (2) This section applies to —
  - (a) functions of a Minister of the Crown or the Marine Management Organisation under the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967,
  - (b) functions of a Minister of the Crown under the Sea Fisheries Act 1968,
  - (c) functions of a Minister of the Crown under Parts 2 to 4 of the Fisheries Act 1981, and
  - (d) functions of a Minister of the Crown or the Marine Management Organisation under the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Act 1992.
- (3) But this section does not apply to—
  - (a) functions conferred on the Board of Trade by section 8 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967;
  - (b) functions listed in paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 3A to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (inserted by this Act) (functions concurrently exercisable with the Welsh Ministers).
- (4) In this section—

““Welsh fishing boat”” means a fishing vessel which is registered in the register maintained under section 8 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 and

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whose entry in the register specifies a port in Wales as the port to which the vessel is to be treated as belonging;

““Welsh zone”” has the meaning given in section 158 of the Government of Wales Act 2006.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** [S. 53](#) in force at 1.4.2018 by [S.I. 2017/1179](#), [reg. 3\(1\)](#)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- specified provision(s) transitional and savings provisions for commencing S.I. 2017/1179 by [S.I. 2018/278](#) reg. 2Sch.