

# Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011

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### PART 8

### GENERAL

## CHAPTER 2

#### DEFAMATION

#### 140 Absolute privilege

- (1) For the purposes of the law of defamation, the following are absolutely privileged—
  - (a) the publication of a matter by the Commissioner in the exercise of any of his or her functions;
  - (b) the publication of a matter by a member of the Advisory Panel in the exercise of any of his or her functions;
  - (c) the publication of a matter by a person in compliance with a requirement in a decision notice;
  - (d) the publication, in a communication between-
    - (i) the Commissioner, and
    - (ii) a protected person,

of a matter in connection with an inquiry or investigation;

- (e) the publication, in a communication between-
  - (i) the complainant or a person acting on behalf of the complainant, and (ii) a representative,

of a matter in connection with an investigation under Part 5 or Part 6.

(2) In this section a reference to the Commissioner includes the following persons—

- (a) the members of the Commissioner's staff;
- (b) any person acting on the Commissioner's behalf or assisting in the exercise of the Commissioner's functions.