



Broadcasting Act 1996

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PART I

DIGITAL TERRESTRIAL TELEVISION BROADCASTING

Digital broadcasting of services provided by independent analogue broadcasters

29 The S4C digital service

- (1) If the Welsh Authority provide S4C Digital, it shall be their duty—
 - (a) to provide it as a public service for disseminating information, education and entertainment,
 - (b) to ensure that all the programmes in Welsh which are broadcast on S4C are broadcast on S4C Digital at the same time, and
 - (c) to ensure that the programmes which are broadcast on S4C Digital but not on S4C maintain—
 - (i) a high general standard in all respects (and, in particular, in respect of their content and quality), and
 - (ii) a wide range in their subject matter, having regard both to the programmes as a whole and also to the days of the week on which, and the times of the day at which, the programmes are broadcast.
- (2) Sections 57(4), 58(5), 59, 60 and 64 of the 1990 Act shall apply in relation to S4C Digital as they apply in relation to S4C.
- (3) No payment shall be required by the BBC in respect of the broadcasting pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of programmes provided by them under section 58(1) of the 1990 Act.
- (4) In this section “programme” does not include an advertisement.