*These notes refer to the Government of Wales Act 2006* (*c.32*) *which received Royal Assent on 25 July 2006* 

# **GOVERNMENT OF WALES ACT 2006**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **DETAILED COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS IN PART 5**

### *Expenditure*

### Section 133: Accounting Officers for Welsh Ministers

- 483. This section deals with the functions of the principal accounting officer for the Welsh Ministers, as designated by section 129(6). These functions will also relate to the finances of the Counsel General.
- 484. Essentially, principal accounting officers are responsible for the propriety and regularity of the finances of the body in which they hold that office, and for ensuring that that body uses its resources with economy, efficiency and effectiveness.
- 485. The principal accounting officer may designate other members of the staff of the Welsh Assembly Government as additional accounting officers, to assist in the principal accounting officer's role.