STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 1179 (C. 111)

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

DEVOLUTION, WALES

The Wales Act 2017 (Commencement No. 4) Regulations 2017

Made - - - - 29th November 2017

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 71(3), (4) (6) and (7) of the Wales Act 2017(**1**), and having consulted the Welsh Ministers and the Presiding Officer of the National Assembly for Wales, makes the following Regulations:

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wales Act 2017 (Commencement No. 4) Regulations 2017.

Principal Appointed Day

2. For the purposes of section 71(3) and the coming into force of section 3 of, and Schedules 1 and 2 to, the Wales Act 2017, the principal appointed day is 1st April 2018.

Commencement of other provisions of the Wales Act 2017

3. The following provisions of the Wales Act 2017 come into force on 1stApril 2018—

(a) section 4 (devolved Welsh Authorities);

(b) sections 5 to 8 (elections);

(c) sections 9 to 12 (other provision about legislation by the Assembly);

(d) section 13 (financial control, accounts and audit);

(e) sections 19, 20 and 22 (executive competence etc);

(f) sections 26 to 28 (road transport);

(g) sections 29 to 38 (harbours);

(h) section 39 (development consent for generating stations with 350MW capacity or less) for the purposes of Schedule 1 to the Wales Act 2017 (new Schedule 7A to the Government of Wales Act 2006(**2**));

(**1**) 2017 c. 4.
(**2**) 2006 c. 32.

(i) sections 44 and 45 (equal opportunities);

(j) sections 46 and 47 (marine licensing and conservation);

(k) section 52 (water);

(l) sections 53 to 58 (miscellaneous);

(m) sections 65 to 68 (miscellaneous);

(n) section 69(1) (consequential provision) in so far as it relates to the provisions in sub-paragraphs (q) and (r);

(o) Schedule 3 (new Schedule 9A to the Government of Wales Act 2006);

(p) Schedule 4 (new Schedule 3A to the Government of Wales Act 2006);

(q) Schedule 6, Part 1 (amendments of the Government of Wales Act 2006); and

(r) Schedule 6, Part 3 (other amendments) so far as not already in force, except for paragraphs 47 to 51, 61, 77, 78 and 81.

4. The following provisions of the Wales Act 2017 come into force on 1stOctober 2018—

(a) sections 23 and 25 (onshore petroleum); and

(b) Schedule 6, Part 2 (amendments relating to onshore petroleum).

5. The following provisions of the Wales Act 2017 come into force on 1st April 2019—

(a) sections 39 to 42 (planning for electricity generating stations) so far as not already in force; and

(b) Schedule 6, Part 3 (other amendments) so far as not already in force.

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29th November 2017 Office of the Secretary of State for Wales