

*These notes refer to the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013  
(c.3) which received Royal Assent on 29 April 2013*

# **PUBLIC AUDIT (WALES) ACT 2013**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 1: Auditor General for Wales**

##### ***Section 5 – Employment etc of former Auditor General***

10. This section prescribes the restrictions around future employment, office-holding or provision of services that will apply to persons who have been appointed as the AGW under this Act but who no longer hold the office. The restrictions apply for two years beginning on the day the person ceases to hold office. The aim is to avoid any possible conflict of interest or perception of such a conflict when the person is AGW – e.g. to avoid the situation where an AGW nearing the end of his or her term of office carries out his or her functions leniently in respect of a body to which he or she may be appointed upon ceasing to be AGW.