

SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS TO THE RAILWAYS ACTS 1993 AND 2005

PART 2

AMENDMENTS TO THE RAILWAYS ACT 2005

- 55.**—(1) Section 42 (closures guidance) is amended as follows.
- (2) After subsection (1) insert—
- “(1A) It is the duty of the Welsh Ministers to publish guidance for the purposes of the provisions of this Part so far as they have effect in relation to—
- (a) proposals to discontinue any Wales-only service or services; or
 - (b) proposals to discontinue the use or operation of any station, or part of a station, that—
 - (i) is wholly in Wales, and
 - (ii) is a station to which subsection (1B) applies or part of such a station.
- (1B) This subsection applies to a station at which the only scheduled calls made by any railway passenger service are those made by a railway passenger service provided under a Welsh franchise agreement or secured to any extent by the Welsh Ministers.”
- (3) In subsection (2)—
- (a) for “or the National Assembly for Wales, or both of them,” substitute “or the Welsh Ministers (or the Secretary of State and the Welsh Ministers)”;
 - (b) in paragraph (b), for “the National Assembly for Wales provides” substitute “the Welsh Ministers provide”;
 - (c) in paragraph (c) for “both of them provide funding” substitute “the Secretary of State and the Welsh Ministers provide funding”.
- (4) In subsection (3)—
- (a) for “the National Assembly for Wales” substitute “the Welsh Ministers”;
 - (b) in paragraph (a) at the end insert “(other than any Wales-only service or services)”;
 - (c) in paragraph (c) after “in Wales” insert “(other than a station to which subsection (1B) applies or part of such a station)”.