

## **National Assembly For Wales**

### **Report By The Health and Social Services Committee on Directions to NHS Trusts and Powys Local Health Board**

The Committee considered the above Regulations at its meeting on 28 June 2006. They were considered in accordance with the protocol for dealing with secondary legislation agreed by the Committee on 11 June 2003, whereby Members notify in advance any queries or amendments they wish to make to the Order.

Two amendments had been proposed.

#### **Amendment 1 - proposed by Helen Mary Jones AM**

In section 2(e) insert after 'available':  
*"in Welsh and English"*

The amendment had been proposed as some NHS Trusts' Welsh language schemes had been drawn up some time ago and it was considered that the need to provide reports bi-lingually should be specified in the legislation. The Minister responded that the amendment would have the effect of over-riding a trust's Welsh language scheme and therefore he did not accept the amendment.

The Committee voted and amendment 1 was defeated by five votes to two.

#### **Amendment 2 - proposed by Jenny Randerson AM**

In paragraph 2 and in Paragraph 3 insert in each case a new sub paragraph (f) to read:

*"to take steps to promote improvements in cleaning, hygiene and infection management and to increase awareness of the impact of cleaning, hygiene and infection management on infection rates"*.

The Minister agreed with the principle of the amendment, but said that an appropriate form of words would be needed. The amendment was withdrawn on the understanding that the spirit of the amendment would be reflected in the drafting.

Rhodri Glyn Thomas AM  
Chair

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