

## **Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee Draft Report**

**CLA(4)–07–14**

### **CLA360 – The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014**

These Regulations amend the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/675).

**Procedure: Negative**

#### **Technical Scrutiny**

Under Standing Order 21.2 the Assembly is invited to pay special attention to the following instrument:–

1. These Regulations have not been made bilingually.

[21.2(ix) – that it is not made or to be made in both English and Welsh].

#### **Merits Scrutiny**

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

#### **Legal Advisers**

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## Government's Response

### The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014

These composite Regulations amend some of the provisions in the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 S.I. 2010.675.

The Environmental Permitting regime streamlines the procedural parts of a raft of highly technical and complex legislation. It has enabled the simplification of the operation of the permitting system that industry and regulators work with without in any way compromising environmental or human health standards. This has brought much needed simplification to the complexity that industry and regulators in England and Wales previously faced .

Securing these changes via composite instruments made with the Secretary of State is consistent with the aim of simplification referred to above. The composite instrument also minimises the inconvenience and potential confusion for those affected by the Regulations. **These composite Regulations apply to England and Wales and are subject to approval by the National Assembly for Wales and by Parliament. Accordingly, it is not considered reasonably practicable for this Instrument to be laid in draft, or made, bilingually.**