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Claire Clancy
Chief Executive and Clerk
National Assembly for Wales
Tŷ Hywel
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1st April 2015

Dear Ms Clancy,

Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Bill passed by the National Assembly for Wales on 10 March 2015

Thank you for your letter of 11 March 2015 reminding me of my power under section 112 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 to refer the question of whether an Assembly Bill, or any provision of a Bill, would be within the Assembly's legislative competence to the Supreme Court for decision.

I am of the view that none of the provisions in the Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Bill is outside the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales and, therefore, I do not intend to make a reference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T.H.', written over a light blue rectangular background.

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Counsel General