

Huw Irranca-Davies MS
Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

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Dear Huw,

Thank you for your letter of 21 October 2022 drawing the Business Committee's attention to relevant paragraphs in your report regarding comments made by the Welsh Government in relation to the Senedd timetable and the use of UK Government Bills to legislate in devolved areas.

Business Committee considered the letter on 25 October and concurred with your conclusion that assessments of the time available for the Senedd to consider legislation are a matter for Business Committee under Standing Order 26, and that it is not appropriate for the Welsh Government to use arguments relating to the Senedd's timetable for scrutiny to justify using a UK Government Bill to legislate in a devolved area.

I welcome your continued monitoring of these important issues and would be grateful if you could continue to draw relevant matters to Business Committee's attention, as necessary.

I will enclose a copy of this letter to the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution and the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd.

Kind regards,



The Rt Hon. Elin Jones MS

Y Llywydd and Chair of the Business Committee

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.



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