

UK MINISTERS ACTING IN DEVOLVED AREAS

206 - The Seeds (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

Laid in the UK Parliament: 17 November 2020

Sifting

Subject to sifting in UK Parliament?	Yes
Procedure:	Made negative
Date of consideration by the House of Commons European Statutory Instruments Committee	N/A
Date of consideration by the House of Lords Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	N/A
Date sifting period ends in UK Parliament	N/A
SICM under SO 30A (because amends primary legislation)	Not required

Scrutiny procedure

Outcome of sifting	N/A
Procedure	Made negative
Date of consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments	Not known
Date of consideration by the House of Commons Statutory Instruments Committee	Not known
Date of consideration by the House of Lords Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Not known

Background

These Regulations are proposed to be made by the UK Government pursuant to Section 8C(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

Summary

The purpose of these Regulations is to ensure that the UK has a functioning statute book at the end of the Implementation period. It uses the power under Section 8C of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 to implement the Protocol on Ireland / Northern Ireland to the Withdrawal Agreement. It amends the Seeds (National Lists of Varieties) Regulations 2001 so that they apply to Great Britain only and creates a Great Britain variety list. It also amends the Marketing of Seeds and Plant Propagating Material (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 to align its operability amendments with the Protocol and makes consequential amendments to the Seeds (National Lists of Varieties) (Fees) Regulations 1994.

Statement by Welsh Government

Legal Advisers agree with the statement laid by the Welsh Government dated 20 November 2020 regarding the effect of these Regulations.

Intergovernmental Agreement on the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill

The above summary and the content of the Explanatory Memorandum to these Regulations confirm their effect.

Legal Advisers do not consider that any significant issues arise under paragraph 8 of the Memorandum on the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill and the Establishment of Common Frameworks in relation to these Regulations.