

# SL(5)114 - The Education (Postgraduate Master's Degree Loans) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017

## Background and Purpose

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The Education (Postgraduate Master's Degree Loans) (Wales) Regulations 2017 ("the 2017 Regulations") provide for the making of loans to students who are ordinarily resident in Wales for postgraduate master's degree courses which begin on or after 1 August 2017.

Regulation 3 amends regulation 3 of the 2017 Regulations to enable the Welsh Ministers, in certain circumstances, to deem a person who has received a postgraduate master's degree loan under the 2017 Regulations or a loan (other than under the 2017 Regulations) in respect of a postgraduate master's degree course from a government authority in the United Kingdom to be eligible for support under the 2017 Regulations.

## Procedure

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Negative

## Technical Scrutiny

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No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument.

## Merits Scrutiny

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

## Implications arising from exiting the European Union

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To apply for a postgraduate master's degree loan, students must be eligible students. The 2017 Regulations list all categories of eligible students; one category includes "EU nationals".

It is unclear what financial support will be available to students who are EU nationals after the UK exits the EU.

## Government Response

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No government response is required.

### **Legal Advisers**

**Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee**

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