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Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

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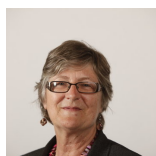
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The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2019 [draft]

1. The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2019 [draft] was laid before Parliament on 25 February 2019 and referred to the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee.
2. The Order is subject to the affirmative procedure (Rule 10.6).
3. At its meeting on 12 March 2019, the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee considered the instrument and drew it to the attention of the Parliament on a general reporting ground as it contains a minor drafting error in article 4(1). In its report, the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee noted that action is not currently considered necessary to correct this error.
4. It is for the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee to recommend to the Parliament whether the Order should be approved.
5. The Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands, Paul Wheelhouse MSP, has, by motion [S5M-16387](#), proposed that the Committee recommends approval of the Order.
6. At its meeting on the 26 March 2019, the Committee took evidence on the Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2019 [draft] from—
 - Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands, Scottish Government;
 - Mark Christie, Policy Officer, Marine Scotland;
 - Joanna Dingwall, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
7. Following the evidence session, Paul Wheelhouse moved motion [S5M-16387](#)—

That the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends that the Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2019 [draft] be approved.
8. The motion was agreed to.
9. The evidence taken and debate held at that meeting on this instrument can be found in the Official Report at the following link:

[Official Reports, Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee](#)

10. The Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends to Parliament that the Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2019 [draft] be approved.

