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Education, Children and Young People Committee

To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and matters relating to the Historical Abuse Inquiry within the responsibility of the Deputy First Minister.



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Introduction

1. At its meeting on 8 December 2021, the Education, Children and Young People Committee considered [SSI 2021/379: The Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Scotland\) Act 2007 \(Applications for Removal from List and Late Representations\) Amendment Regulations 2021](#) which is subject to the negative procedure. This report sets out the Committee's consideration of the instrument.

Instrument Overview

2. SSI 2021/379: The Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 (Applications for Removal from List and Late Representations) Amendment Regulations 2021 was laid before Parliament on 1st November 2021.
3. The policy note can be accessed [here](#). The purpose of the instrument is to enable individuals, who are barred from carrying out “regulated work”¹ when aged between 18 and 25 years, to apply to be removed from the barred list sooner.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

4. The instrument was considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (DPLRC) at its meeting on 9 November 2021. The DPLRC had no comments to make on the instrument; its report is [available here](#).

Education Children and Young People Committee

5. At the Committee's meeting on 8 December 2021, Meghan Gallacher MSP moved motion S6M-02353— That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the SSI 2021/379: The Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 (Applications for Removal from List and Late Representations) Amendment Regulations 2021 be annulled.
6. Claire Haughey MSP (Minister for Children and Young People) attended the Committee meeting along with officials to give evidence on the instrument. Following the evidence session, a debate took place on the motion. The Official Report of the meeting will be found [here](#) once published.
7. After debate, motion S6M-02353 was disagreed to by division (For 2 (Meghan Gallacher MSP and Stephen Kerr MSP), Against 7 (Stephanie Callaghan MSP, Bob Doris MSP, James Dornan MSP, Fergus Ewing MSP, Ross Greer MSP, Michael Marra MSP and Kaukab Stewart MSP), Abstentions 0).

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- 1 Section 91, schedules 2 and 3 of the 2007 Act define regulated work and what constitutes regulated work.

