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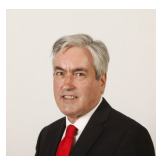
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Introduction

1. At its meeting on 2 September 2020 the Education and Skills Committee considered a piece of subordinate legislation which is subject to the affirmative procedure.

This report summarises the purpose and scrutiny of the instrument as well as the Committee's decision.

Abertay University and Robert Gordon University (Change of Names) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2020 [draft]

Instrument Overview

2. The Abertay University and Robert Gordon University (Change of Names) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2020 [draft] was laid by the Scottish Government on 25 June 2020.
3. The purpose of the instrument as listed in the policy note is to 'amend the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act"), the Protection of Charities Assets (Exemption) (Scotland) Order 2006 ("the 2006 Order") and the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000 (Economy, efficiency and effectiveness examinations) (Specified Bodies etc.) Order 2010 ("the 2010 Order") to reflect the recent change of name of the 'University of Abertay Dundee' to 'Abertay University' and of 'The Robert Gordon University' to 'Robert Gordon University'.

Delegated Power and Reform Committee Consideration

4. The Delegated Powers and Reform Committee considered the instrument on 11 August 2020 and made no comment on the draft order.

Education and Skills Committee consideration

5. At its meeting on 2 September 2020 the Committee considered the Abertay University and Robert Gordon University (Change of Names) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2020 [draft].
6. The Minister for Further Education, Higher Education and Science, Richard Lochhead MSP outlined the purpose of the Abertay University and Robert Gordon University (Change of Names) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2020 [draft]:

- ” The changes of name have already taken legal effect; the draft order will simply amend other legislation to refer to the institutions by their new names...

With the two new names now in force, the purpose of this affirmative instrument is to update references to those institutions in the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005, the Protection of Charities Assets (Exemption) (Scotland) Order 2006 and the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000 (Economy, efficiency and effectiveness examinations) (Specified Bodies etc) Order 2010. If approved, those modifications will come into force on 25 September.

Source: Education and Skills Committee 02 September 2020 [Draft], The Minister for Further Education, Higher Education and Science (Richard Lochhead), contrib. 6¹

Conclusions

7. Richard Lochhead MSP, Minister for Further Education, Higher Education and Science moved —

S5M-22552—That the Education and Skills Committee recommends that the Abertay University and Robert Gordon University (Change of Names) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2020 [draft] be approved.

8. The Motion was unanimously agreed to.

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