

Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill

Statements on Legislative Competence

As required under Rule 9.3.1 and 1A of the Parliament’s Standing Orders, these statements on legislative competence are published to accompany the Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill, introduced in the Scottish Parliament on 13 December 2022. The following other accompanying documents are published separately:

- a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 20–FM);
 - Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 20–EN);
 - a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 20–PM);
 - a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 20–DPM).
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Presiding Officer’s Statement on Legislative Competence

On 13 December 2022, the Presiding Officer (Alison Johnstone MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

Scottish Government Statement on Legislative Competence

On 13 December 2022, the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills (Shirley-Anne Somerville MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

This document relates to the Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill (SP Bill 22) as introduced in the Scottish Parliament on 13 December 2022

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