# SL(5)251 – The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

# **Background and Purpose**

These Regulations amend the Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Wales) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/2705) to provide for the enforcement of Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/213 on the use of bisphenol A in varnishes and coatings intended to come into contact with food and amending Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as regards the use of that substance in plastic food contact materials.

#### **Procedure**

Negative.

# Technical Scrutiny

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

# **Merits Scrutiny**

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

# Implications arising from exiting the European Union

These Regulations implement and enforce EU obligations in respect of food safety, and therefore these Regulations will form part of retained EU law after exit day.

The Intergovernmental Agreement on the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill and the Establishment of Common Frameworks states that various elements of food policy are likely to be subject to section 12 regulations under the EU (Withdrawal) Act 2018. Therefore, the law covered by these Regulations is likely to be an area of EU law that is frozen while common frameworks are put in place.

# Government Response

No government response is required.

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Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee
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