

**Y Pwyllgor Materion Cyfansoddiadol a Deddfwriaethol
Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee**

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Dear Minister

CLA124 - The Controlled Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2012

The Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee considered the above Statutory Instrument at its meeting on 23 April 2012 and agreed that I should bring to your attention the Committee's report made under Standing Order 21.3 on the merits of the Instrument.

The Committee agreed to invite the Assembly to pay special attention to this Instrument on the grounds "that it is of political or legal importance or gives rise to issues of public policy likely to be of interest to the Assembly" (Standing Order 21.3(ii)).

The Committee's report was laid in the Table Office on 24 April 2012 and is attached for information. I would be grateful if you could consider the report and let the Committee have your response in due course.

Additionally, the Committee noted that the Regulations will allow local authorities to charge for the collection and disposal of waste arising from non-domestic properties (with some exceptions) whereas now they only charge for collection. I would be grateful if you could clarify why the Regulations are following the negative rather than the affirmative procedure on this occasion despite the fact that they introduce a new type of charge.

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I am copying this report to the First Minister for information and have also arranged for the report and this letter to be drawn to the attention of Assembly Members.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Melding". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

David Melding AM
Chair