

RESTRAINT AND SECLUSION IN SCHOOLS (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 Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill, introduced in the Scottish Parliament on 17 March 2025. The following other accompanying documents are published separately:

- a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 61–FM);
 - Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 61–EN);
 - a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 61–PM);
 - a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 61–DPM).
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PRESIDING OFFICER’S STATEMENT ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE

On 17 March 2025, the Presiding Officer (Alison Johnstone MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

MEMBER’S STATEMENT ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE

On 13 March 2025, the Member in Charge of the Bill (Daniel Johnson MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

This document relates to the Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill (SP Bill 61) as introduced in the Scottish Parliament on 17 March 2025

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