

SCOTTISH LANGUAGES BILL

STATEMENTS ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE

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- a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 39–FM);
 - Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 39–EN);
 - a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 39–PM);
 - a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 39–DPM).
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PRESIDING OFFICER’S STATEMENT ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE

On 29 November 2023, the Deputy Presiding Officer (Annabelle Ewing MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Scottish Languages Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON LEGISLATIVE COMPETENCE

On 29 November 2023, the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills (Jenny Gilruth MSP) made the following statement:

“In my view, the provisions of the Scottish Languages Bill would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.”

*This document relates to the Scottish Languages Bill (SP Bill 39) as introduced in the
Scottish Parliament on 29 November 2023*

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