

Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill

Statements on legislative competence

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- a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 74–FM);
 - Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 74–EN);
 - a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 74–PM);
 - a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 74–DPM).
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Presiding Officer's Statement on legislative competence

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

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

Scottish Government Statement on legislative competence

On 17 June 2025, the First Minister (John Swinney MSP) made the following statement:

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

This document relates to the Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill (SP Bill 74) as introduced in the Scottish Parliament on 17 June 2025

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