#### printBodyTextBeforeHeader (Print Body Text before Header/Footer Contents)

This element specifies the order in which the contents of the main document story and any headers and/or footers shall be sent to the printer.

Typically, the contents of a document are sent to the printer as follows:

* First, the contents of headers/footers are sent to the printer
* Finally, the contents of the main document story are sent to the printer

This element, when present with a val attribute value of true (or equivalent), specifies that this order shall be reversed, and that the [body](body.docx) text shall be sent to the printer before any header/footer text. This reversal allows for the processing of PostScript codes in the text layer in the same order as afforded by some [legacy](legacy.docx) word processing applications.

[Example: Consider a WordprocessingML document which is printed. The default resulting print order is the headers and footers for each page, followed by the page contents.

However, if this compatibility setting is turned on:

<w:[compat](compat.docx)>  
 <w:printBodyTextBeforeHeader />  
</w:[compat](compat.docx)>

Then this order shall be reversed, and the page contents shall be printed before the corresponding header and/or footer for each page. end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| [compat](compat.docx) (§) |

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| Attributes | Description |
| val (On/Off Value) | Specifies a binary value for the property defined by the parent [XML](XML.docx) element.  A value of on, 1, or true specifies that the property shall be explicitly applied. This is the default value for this attribute, and is implied when the parent element is present, but this attribute is omitted.  A value of off, 0, or false specifies that the property shall be explicitly turned off.  [Example: For example, consider the following on/off property:  <w:… w:val="off"/>  The val attribute explicitly declares that the property is turned off. end example]  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_OnOff](ST_OnOff.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |

The following [XML](XML.docx) Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_OnOff">

<attribute [name](name.docx)="val" [type](type.docx)="[ST\_OnOff](ST_OnOff.docx)"/>

</complexType>