Clause 7, page 5, line 27, at end insert—

‘(1A) Provision made in this regard must include provision about a panel of independent experts to advise on the amounts to be paid.

(1B) Provision made in this regard must include a consumer representative.

(1C) The members of the panel of independent experts shall be appointed by the Secretary of State and shall comprise Chairman, a Consumer representative, a representative of the Authority and such other members as the Secretary of State may decide.

(1D) In appointing persons to be members of the panel of independent experts, the Secretary of State must secure, so far as practicable, that the Expert Panel—

(a) is independent; and

(b) is comprised of technical, academic, economic, legal and such other experts necessary to give the informed advice required.

(1E) The Chair of the panel of independent experts shall be appointed for a fixed period, specified in their terms of his appointment, but shall be eligible for reappointment at the end of that period.

(1F) Provision made in this regard must be laid before Parliament.’.

Clause 7, page 5, line 33, at end insert—

‘(3) Regulations by virtue of subsection (1) shall make provision for—

(a) the recovery by electricity suppliers of any amounts paid to a CFD Counterparty by virtue of section 5;

(b) the return by electricity suppliers of any surplus paid to them by a CFD Counterparty by virtue of this section;

(c) provision made by virtue of paragraph (a) in this section shall include provision on any recovery from customers; and

(d) provision made by virtue of paragraph (b) in this section shall include provision that any surplus be returned to customers.’.
Clause agreed to.

Tom Greatrex
Luciana Berger

Clause 8, page 6, line 4, leave out ‘or not to be paid, into the Consolidated Fund’ and insert ‘to consumers’.

Clause agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Tom Greatrex
Luciana Berger

Clause 9, page 6, line 28, at end insert—
‘(h) for the information provided by virtue of paragraphs (a) to (c) to be laid before Parliament.’.

Clause agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Tom Greatrex
Luciana Berger

Clause 10, page 7, line 4, at end insert—
‘( ) Provision made in this regard must include provision requiring any new functions conferred on the Authority to be laid before both Houses of Parliament.’.

Clause agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Tom Greatrex
Luciana Berger

Clause 11, page 7, line 21, at end insert—
‘( ) The Secretary of State must report to Parliament following any provision made by virtue of subsection (1).’.

Clause agreed to.
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Clause 13, page 8, leave out lines 5 and 6.

Mr Mike Weir

Clause 13, page 8, line 14, at end insert—
‘(d) the costs of delivering the energy to the grid.’.

Clause agreed to.

Mr Mike Weir

Clause 14, page 8, line 21, after ‘consult’, insert ‘and agree with’.

Mr Mike Weir

Clause 14, page 8, line 33, at end insert—
‘(1A) In taking forward the requirement to consult under subsections (1)(a), (b) and (c), the Secretary of State shall—
(a) establish a Devolved Administration Consultation group, and
(b) make regulations for the scope, operation and outcomes from that Group.’.

Tom Greatrex

Clause 14, page 8, line 33, at end insert—
‘(i) the Committee on Climate Change;
(j) the Panel of Technical Experts; and
(k) any person who is a holder of a licence to generate electricity under section 6(1)(d) of EA 1989.’.

Mr Mike Weir

Clause 14, page 8, line 34, leave out subsection (2).

Tom Greatrex

Clause 14, page 8, line 34, leave out ‘as well as consultation after’.

Mr Mike Weir

Clause 14, page 8, line 35, at end add—
‘(3) Before making regulations under this Chapter or order under section 13, the Secretary of State must—
...
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(a) take into account any representations made by the consultees under subsection (1)(a), (b) and (c),
(b) take into account any representations and discussions in the Devolved Administration Consultation group under subsection (1A), and
(c) publish a statement setting out whether and how the regulations or order under section 13 takes account of any representations made by the consultees under subsection (1)(a), (b) and (c).’.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 15 agreed to.

Tom Greatrex

Luciana Berger

Clause 16, page 9, line 33, leave out ‘as well as consultation after’.

Mr Mike Weir

Clause 16, page 9, line 33, leave out subsection (5).

Clause agreed to.

Dr Alan Whitehead

Withdrawn

Clause 17, page 10, line 10, at end add—
‘(6) The national system operator shall not be designated so as to include any company or person that has interests in the national system that may come into conflict with their responsibilities as a national system operator.’.

Tom Greatrex

Luciana Berger

Clause 17, page 10, line 10, at end insert—
‘( ) The Secretary of State must convene a panel of independent experts to advise on the exercise of functions under this Chapter.
( ) The panel of independent experts must include a consumer representative.
( ) The minutes of meetings or reports by the panel of independent experts must be laid before Parliament within two weeks of their publication.’.

Clause agreed to.

[Adjourned until Tuesday 29 January at 8.55 am]