

Energy Efficiency (Houses in Multiple Occupation) Bill

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Amend the Energy Act 2011 to enable residents of houses in multiple occupation to benefit from the provisions in the Act designed to increase energy efficiency; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Availability of energy performance certificate

The Secretary of State must within six months of the passing of this Act make regulations for the purposes of ensuring that whenever a room in a house in multiple occupation is to be rented out, an energy performance certificate for the whole building is made available free of charge to any prospective tenant.

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2 Amendment of Energy Act 2011

Section 42(1)(a) of the Energy Act 2011 is amended by inserting after subparagraph (ii) —

“(iii) a tenancy in a house in multiple occupation, within the meaning of sections 254 to 259 of the Housing Act 2004.”

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3 Interpretation

In this Act —

“energy performance certificate” has the meaning given in Regulation 2(1) of the Energy Performance of Buildings (Certificates and Inspections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/991); and

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“house in multiple occupation” has the meaning given in sections 254 to 259 of the Housing Act 2004.

4 Regulations

Regulations under this Act are to be made by statutory instrument and shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

5 Short title, commencement and extent

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- (1) This Act may be cited as the Energy Efficiency (Houses in Multiple Occupation) Act 2013.
- (2) This Act comes into force at the end of the period of 2 months beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act extends to England and Wales.

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