CONSIDERATION OF BILL

ENERGY BILL, AS AMENDED

Strategy for electricity demand reduction

Caroline Lucas

To move the following Clause:—

‘(1) The Secretary of State must within 12 months of the passing of this Act publish a strategy setting out policies to achieve a reduction in demand for electricity of at least 103 TWh by 2020 and 154 TWh by 2030.

(2) The strategy must include an assessment of the cost effectiveness of the policies included in it.

(3) Before publishing the strategy the Secretary of State must consult such persons as in his opinion may have information that will assist him in drawing up the strategy.

(4) The Secretary of State must—

(a) implement the strategy; and

(b) report to Parliament every year on progress.’.

Community rights to priority access to local power generation and local grid ownership

Caroline Lucas

To move the following Clause:—

‘(1) The Secretary of State must within one year of the passing of this Act consult on and bring forward mechanisms to give local communities the rights to—

(a) priority access to electricity generation where an energy scheme is owned wholly or partly by a local community;

(b) access to electricity generated at wholesale market prices where an energy scheme is owned wholly or partly by a local community; and

(c) ownership of local distribution networks.’.
Caroline Lucas

Page 8, line 10 [Clause 10], at end insert—

‘( ) Regulations must—

(a) place a duty on the Secretary of State and the Authority to promote new generation capacity from distributed generation schemes; and

(b) define “distributed generation schemes”.’.

Caroline Lucas

Page 8, line 10 [Clause 10], at end insert—

‘( ) In section 41(2)(a) of the Energy Act 2008, at end insert—

“( ) establishing, or making arrangements for the administration of, a scheme of financial incentives to encourage the distributed generation of electricity;”.’.

Caroline Lucas

Page 8, line 10 [Clause 10], at end insert—

‘( ) In section 41(2)(b) of the Energy Act 2008, at end insert—

“( ) requiring or enabling the holder of a distribution licence to make arrangements for the distribution of electricity generated by distributed generation;”.’.

Caroline Lucas

Page 8, line 10 [Clause 10], at end insert—

‘( ) In section 41(2)(c) of the Energy Act 2008, at end insert—

“( ) requiring the holder of a licence to make arrangements related to the matters mentioned in paragraph ( ) or ( ).”’.

Caroline Lucas

Page 8, line 10 [Clause 10], at end insert—

‘( ) Section 41(4)(a) of the Energy Act 2008 (“specified maximum capacity”) is amended as follows—

“specified maximum capacity” means the capacity specified by the Secretary of State by order, which must not exceed 50 megawatts.”.'