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CONSIDERATION OF BILL

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES BILL, AS AMENDED

Assessment and support of young carers

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To move the following Clause:—

- (1) Where it appears to a local authority that a child within their area may provide or be about to provide care to an adult or a child who is disabled, the authority must—
 - (a) assess whether the child has needs for support relating to their caring role (or is likely to have such needs in the future); and
 - (b) if the child is found to have such needs, set out what those needs are (or are likely to be in the future).
- (2) Having carried out an assessment under subsection (1) the authority must meet those needs for support which it considers to be necessary to meet in order to safeguard and promote the child's welfare.
- (3) Having carried out an assessment under subsection (1), a local authority must also consider whether the adult is or may be eligible for assessment under the Care and Support Act 2013, and if so must ensure such an assessment is carried out unless that adult objects.
- (4) Having carried out an assessment under subsection (1) a local authority must consider whether, in the case of a child who is caring for a disabled child, the child being cared for requires an assessment under the Children Act 1989 and if so shall carry out that assessment unless the person with parental responsibility for that child objects.
- (5) The Secretary of State shall issue guidance in relation to the duties set out above having consulted with persons whom the Secretary of State considers to be appropriate, the said guidance to be issued under section 7 of the Local Authority Social Services Act 1970.

Children and Families Bill, *continued*

- (6) Any service provided by an authority in the exercise of functions conferred on them under this section may be provided for the family or for any member of the child's family, and may include—
- (a) services to the adult the child is providing care to meet the adult's needs for care and support; and
 - (b) services to the adult to enhance their parenting capacity.
- If such services are provided with a view to safeguarding and promoting the child's welfare.'.
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