



# House of Commons

## NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS

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733 and 783*

### CONSIDERATION OF BILL

#### EUROPEAN UNION (REFERENDUM) BILL

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Clause 3, page 2, line 11, at end insert—

- ‘(3A) The Secretary of State shall make available a sum of not more than £10 million to organisations campaigning—
- (a) for a Yes vote in the referendum, and
  - (b) for a No vote in the referendum, for provision of public information and literature, to be divided equally between those campaigning for each answer to the referendum question.’

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Clause 3, page 2, line 11, at end insert—

- ‘(3A) The Secretary of State shall ensure that the proponents and opponents of the question in the referendum shall be allotted no fewer than six nor more than 10 broadcasts of a total time of at least 60 minutes on all television channels broadcasting to the United Kingdom, at such times as are determined by the Electoral Commission so as to ensure that so far as possible they are broadcast simultaneously, and with Welsh language and Gaelic versions as directed by the Secretary of State in relation to particular channels.’

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Clause 3, page 2, line 11, at end insert—

- ‘(3A) The Secretary of State shall ensure that the proponents and opponents of the question in the referendum are able to publish a two full page advertisement spread immediately after the front page in all national editions of newspapers published in any part of the United Kingdom, as specified by the Electoral Commission, on four dates to be specified by the Commission, with Welsh language and Gaelic versions where specified by the Commission.’

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**European Union (Referendum) Bill, *continued***

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- Clause 2, page 1, line 20, at end add—
- ‘(c) British citizens, regardless of where they are resident, who have registered to vote with a British Embassy or High Commission or with the local authority where they last lived in the United Kingdom not less than six months before the date of the referendum, and
  - (d) the statutory provisions relating to overseas voters shall be disapplied for the purposes of this section.’.

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- Clause 1, page 1, line 14, at end add—
- ‘(7) The referendum shall be held on Thursday.’.

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- 10**
- Clause 1, page 1, line 14, at end add—
- ‘(7) The referendum shall be held over two days on a Saturday and Sunday.’.

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- 11**
- Clause 1, page 1, line 14, at end add—
- ‘(7) The referendum shall be held over three days on a Thursday, Friday and Saturday.’.

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- 12**
- Clause 1, page 1, line 6, at end insert—
- ‘(3A) Before appointing the day on which the referendum is to be held under subsection (3) above, the Secretary of State shall consult leaders of the principal faiths represented in the United Kingdom so as to identify days which it would be inappropriate for him to appoint for holding the referendum, and he shall pay due regard to the outcome of those consultations in appointing the day.’.

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- Clause 1, page 1, line 6, at end add—
- ‘(7) The day on which the referendum is to be held shall not be the same day as—
    - (a) a general election for the United Kingdom Parliament;
    - (b) elections to the European Parliament;
    - (c) a Scottish parliamentary general election;
    - (d) a Welsh Assembly general election;
    - (e) a general election for members of the Northern Ireland Assembly;
    - (f) any local government election;
    - (g) a mayoral election in London; andthe terms above shall be defined as in section 4 of the Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011.’.

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- Mike Gapes 14
- Clause 1, page 1, line 14, at end add—  
 ‘(7) No date shall be set for the referendum until there is in place a secure system of voting by text message or by SMS.’.
- Mike Gapes 15
- Clause 1, page 1, line 14, at end add—  
 ‘(7) Voting in the referendum shall be possible in person, by post, by proxy, by email, by text message or by SMS.’.
- Mike Gapes 16
- Clause 3, page 2, line 11, at end insert—  
 ‘(3A) Polling stations are to be open from 6 am to midnight on each designated day or days for the referendum.’.
- Mike Gapes 17
- Clause 3, page 2, line 5, at end insert—  
 ‘(1A) The rules recommended by the Electoral Commission shall provide that if—  
 (a) fewer than 60 per cent of registered voters take part in the referendum, or  
 (b) the majority in favour of not remaining in the European Union comprises fewer than 40 per cent of registered voters, or  
 (c) the result is not the same in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, or  
 (d) the result is not the same in each of the European Parliament constituencies in the United Kingdom,  
 The Chief Counting Officer shall decide that the referendum has not produced a valid outcome.’.
- Mike Gapes 18
- Clause 1, page 1, line 6, at end insert—  
 ‘(3A) The Secretary of State shall consult with and seek to secure agreement from the devolved administrations on the day to be appointed for the referendum, on the translation of the question and on administrative arrangements within the relevant part of the United Kingdom.’.
- Mike Gapes 19
- Clause 1, page 1, line 14, at end add—  
 ‘(7) Prior to the holding of any referendum the Secretary of State shall establish a Public Judicial Inquiry into the merits of UK membership of the European Union which shall publish its report within six months, unless the Secretary of State otherwise directs.’.
- Mike Gapes 20
- Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out subsection (2) and insert ‘on a date to be determined’.

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**European Union (Referendum) Bill, *continued***

Mike Gapes	21
Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out from 'held' to end of line 6 and insert 'on 7 May 2015'.	
Mike Gapes	22
Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out '2017' and insert '2014'.	
Mike Gapes	23
Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out '2017' and insert '2015'.	
Mike Gapes	24
Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out '2017' and insert '2016'.	
Mike Gapes	25
Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out '31 December 2017' and insert '1 July 2017'.	
Mike Gapes	26
Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out '2017' and insert '2018'.	
Mike Gapes	27
Clause 1, page 1, line 4, leave out '2017' and insert '2019'.	
Mike Gapes	28
Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out '31 December 2016' and insert '7 May 2015'.	
Mike Gapes	29
Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out '2016' and insert '2014'.	
Mike Gapes	30
Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out '2016' and insert '2015'.	
Mike Gapes	31
Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out '31 December 2016' and insert '1 July 2017'.	
Mike Gapes	32
Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out '2016' and insert '2017'.	
Mike Gapes	33
Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out '2016' and insert '2018'.	

European Union (Referendum) Bill, *continued*

- Mike Gapes 34
- Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out subsection (3) and insert—
- ‘(3) The Secretary of State shall establish a European Union Referendum Commission to consider the arrangements for the referendum and the date or dates on which it is to be held.
- (3A) The Commission shall report to the Secretary of State within 12 months of its establishment.
- (3B) The Secretary of State shall by order provide for the arrangement and date or dates to be implemented as recommended by the Commission.
- (3C) An order under this section shall be made by statutory instrument and may not be made unless a draft of the order has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.’
- Mike Gapes 35
- Clause 1, page 1, leave out lines 8 and 9 and insert ‘Should the United Kingdom remain a member of the European Union?’.
- Mike Gapes 36
- Clause 1, page 1, leave out lines 8 and 9 and insert ‘Should the United Kingdom remain a member of the European Union or leave the European Union?’.
- Mike Gapes 37
- Clause 1, page 1, line 10, leave out ‘version’ and insert ‘translation’.
- Mike Gapes 38
- Clause 1, page 1, line 11, after ‘order’, insert ‘after consultation with the National Assembly for Wales and the Welsh Government.’.
- Mike Gapes 39
- Clause 1, page 1, line 11, at end insert—
- ‘(5A) In Scotland, a Gaelic translation of the question is also to appear on the ballot papers, as provided by order, after consultation with the Scottish Parliament and the Scottish Government.’.
- Mike Gapes 40
- Clause 1, page 1, line 11, at end insert—
- ‘() In Northern Ireland, a Gaelic translation of the question is also to appear on the ballot papers, as provided by order, after consultation with the Northern Ireland Assembly and the Northern Ireland Executive.’.
- Mike Gapes 41
- Clause 1, page 1, line 12, leave out ‘shall’ and insert ‘may’.

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**European Union (Referendum) Bill, *continued***

Mike Gapes	42
Clause 2, page 1, line 18, leave out ‘and’.	
Mike Gapes	43
Clause 2, page 1, line 18, at end insert— ‘(aa) persons who have right of abode in the United Kingdom.’	
Mike Gapes	44
Clause 2, page 1, line 20, at end insert— ‘(2) Persons aged 16 or 17 on the date of the referendum shall be entitled to vote if they would, save for their age, be otherwise entitled to vote under any of the categories set out in subsection (1) above.’	
Mike Gapes	45
Clause 2, page 1, line 18, at end insert— ‘(aa) persons who would be entitled to vote as electors in a European Parliament election.’	
Mike Gapes	46
Clause 2, page 1, line 18, at end insert— ‘(aa) all persons who are legally entitled to vote as electors at a local government election.’	
Mike Gapes	47
Clause 2, page 1, line 18, at end insert— ‘(aa) all British citizens resident in any of the member states of the European Union.’	
Mike Gapes	48
Clause 2, page 1, line 19, after ‘peers’, insert ‘or prisoners’.	
Mike Gapes	49
Clause 2, page 1, line 20, at end insert— ‘(c) citizens of the Republic of Ireland, Cyprus and Malta resident in the United Kingdom shall not be entitled to vote.’	
Mike Gapes	50
Clause 2, page 1, line 20, at end insert— ‘(c) residents of all Crown Dependencies.’	

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Mike Gapes	<b>51</b>
Clause 2, page 1, line 20, at end insert— ‘(c) residents of all British Overseas Territories.’	
Mike Gapes	<b>52</b>
Clause 3, page 2, line 2, after ‘report’, insert ‘by 1 March 2015’.	
Mike Gapes	<b>53</b>
Clause 3, page 2, line 2, after ‘report’, insert ‘by 1 March 2016’.	
Mike Gapes	<b>54</b>
Clause 3, page 2, line 2, after ‘report’, insert ‘by 1 March 2017’.	
Mike Gapes	<b>55</b>
Clause 3, page 2, line 2, after ‘report’, insert ‘six months before the date or dates appointed for the referendum’.	
Mike Gapes	<b>56</b>
Clause 3, page 2, line 6, leave out ‘shall’ and insert ‘may’.	
Mike Gapes	<b>57</b>
Clause 3, page 2, line 12, leave out ‘shall’ and insert ‘may’.	

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