Clause 11, page 12, line 39, leave out “2017” and insert “2022”

*Member’s explanatory statement*

This amendment would see current arrangements for child tax credit remaining in place for children born before 6 April 2022.
Clause 11, page 13, line 10, leave out “one other child” and insert “two other children”

**Member’s explanatory statement**
This amendment would retain entitlement to child tax credit for families with three children.

Clause 11, page 13, line 10, leave out “one other child” and insert “three other children”

**Member’s explanatory statement**
This amendment would retain entitlement to child tax credit for families with four children.

Clause 11, page 13, line 10, leave out “one other child” and insert “four other children”

**Member’s explanatory statement**
This amendment would retain entitlement to child tax credit for families with five children.

Clause 11, page 13, line 10, leave out “one other child” and insert “five other children”

**Member’s explanatory statement**
This amendment would retain entitlement to child tax credit for families with six children.
Clause 11, page 13, line 12, at end insert—

“(3C) The limit on the number of children or qualifying young person for whom an individual element of child tax credit can be claimed, as set out in subsection (3B), shall not apply to households where one or more of the child or qualifying young person in that household is disabled. This includes, but is not limited to, those persons in receipt of the disability element of child tax credit.”

Member’s explanatory statement

The amendment exempts households from the limit on the number of children for whom the individual element of child tax credit can be claimed where one or more child in that household is disabled.

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would see current arrangements for child tax credit remaining in place.

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would retain entitlement to the child element of universal credit for families with more than two children.
Clause 12, page 13, line 22, leave out “two” and insert “three”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain entitlement to the child element of universal credit for families with three children.

Clause 12, page 13, line 22, leave out “two” and insert “four”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain entitlement to the child element of universal credit for families with four children.

Clause 12, page 13, line 22, leave out “two” and insert “five”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain entitlement to the child element of universal credit for families with five children.

Clause 12, page 13, line 22, leave out “two” and insert “six”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain entitlement to the child element of universal credit for families with six children.
Clause 12, page 13, line 23, at end insert “unless this would result in an amount no longer being paid in respect of a child or young person who was born before 6 April 2017, in which case a payment shall still be made in respect of this child or young person.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

To ensure that the reduction of the child element of Universal Credit to two children only affect children born after 6 April 2017.

Clause 12, page 13, line 23, at end insert—

“(1B) The limit on the number of children or qualifying young person for whom a child element of universal credit can be claimed, as set out in subsection (1B), shall not apply to households where one or more of the child or qualifying young person in that household is disabled. This includes, but is not limited to, those persons in receipt of the disabled child element of universal credit.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

The amendment exempts households from the limit on the number of children for whom the child element of universal credit can be claimed where one or more child in that household is disabled.

Page 13, line 17, leave out Clause 12

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment would remove changes to entitlement to the child element of universal credit.

**★** Clause 13, page 14, line 21, at end insert—

“(5A) The Secretary of State must make provision for additional personalised and specialist employment support in connection with subsections (1) to (3).

(5B) The Secretary of State must issue guidance on the following—

(a) the forms of personalised and specialist employment support;
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(b) the means by which a diverse market of suppliers for personalised and specialist employment support can be developed in local areas; and
(c) information for local authorities seeking to improve local disability employment rates.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To provide additional specialist employment support for disabled people.

Stephen Timms
Kate Green
Chris Leslie
Emily Thornberry
Owen Smith
Debbie Abrahams

Page 14, line 1, leave out Clause 13

Member’s explanatory statement
This prevent the changes to the work-related component of the employment and support allowance.

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell Corri Wilson

Page 14, line 25, leave out Clause 14

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain the limited capability for work element of universal credit.

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell Corri Wilson

Clause 15, page 14, line 31, leave out paragraph (a)

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would keep the “work-focused interview requirement only” for responsible carers of children aged one and two.
Clause 15, page 14, line 31, leave out paragraphs (a) to (c) and insert—

“(a) in section 19(2)(c) for the words “under the age of 1” substitute “who has not yet started primary school”;

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment, taken together with amendment 63, would mean claimants in receipt of universal credit who are responsible carers are not subject to work focused interviews or work preparation requirements until their child starts school. From when a child starts school, relevant claimants would be required to follow all work requirements.

Clause 15, page 14, line 36, after “2,” insert “3 or 4”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain the current position for responsible carers of children aged three and four.

Clause 15, page 14, line 37, leave out paragraph (c)

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain the current position for responsible carers of children aged three and four.

Clause 15, page 14, line 38, at end insert—

“(d) Insert after section 18—

“(18A) Guidance on lone parents
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

(1) The Secretary of State shall, by regulation, provide guidance to Jobcentre Plus setting out how it should support claimants who are lone parents in meeting the work-related requirements that they are subject to.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require the Secretary of State to set out in regulation how Jobcentre Plus should support claimant of universal credit who are lone parents meet the work-related requirements they are subject to.

Emily Thornberry
Rushanara Ali
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

Clause 15, page 14, line 38, at end insert—
“(d) after section 24 (imposition of requirements) after subsection (5) insert—
“(5A) The Secretary of State must, by regulations, make provision to ensure that where a claimant is the responsible carer for a child who is aged under five they are subject to no work-related requirements unless it is possible to make arrangements for affordable and appropriate childcare for the claimant’s child.

(5B) The regulations in subsection (5A) must provide a definition of “affordable and appropriate childcare”.”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would ensure that responsible carers of children aged under five would not be subject to work-related requirements unless they had affordable and appropriate childcare in place for their child.

Neil Coyle

★ Clause 15, page 14, line 38, at end insert—
“(d) in section 22(1) after “section” insert “, except if the claimant is the responsible carer of a disabled child aged 3 or 4.

(1B) The Secretary of State must lay regulations determining what a disabled child is for the purpose of this section and may include, but will not be limited to a child—
(a) in receipt of an Education, Health and Care Plan,
(b) in receipt of a Statement of Special Educational Needs,
(c) identified by their local authority as having special educational needs,
(d) with child in need status,
(e) meeting the definition of disabled under the Equality Act 2010.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To exempt a responsible carer of a disabled child aged 3 or 4 from all work-related requirements.
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell
Corri Wilson

Clause 15, page 14, line 40, leave out paragraph (a)

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment would keep the current prescribed age of three years in universal credit regulations on the “work-focused interview requirement” for responsible carers of children in receipt of universal credit.

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell
Corri Wilson

Clause 15, page 14, line 40, leave out paragraphs (a) and (b) and insert—

“(a) in regulation 91 (claimants subject to work-focused interview requirement only), for the word “3” substitute “5 or when the child starts primary school”;

(b) in regulation 91A (claimants subject to work preparation requirement) for the words “3 or 4” substitute “who has not yet started primary school”;”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment, taken together with amendment 62, would mean claimants in receipt of universal credit who are responsible carers are not subject to work focused interviews or work preparation requirements until their child starts school. From when a child starts school, relevant claimants would be required to follow all work requirements.

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell
Corri Wilson

Clause 15, page 14, line 42, leave out paragraph (b)

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment would keep the current age of child (which is three or four) in universal credit regulations on the work-preparation requirement for responsible carers of children in receipt of universal credit.
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

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★ Clause 15, page 14, line 43, at end insert—

“(3) Claimants subject to new requirements as a result of the measures contained in subsections (1) and (2) of this clause must, at a time no later than three months before subsections (1) and (2) come into force, receive written notification of the lone parent flexibilities issued as guidance to Jobcentre Plus staff.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To provide that anyone who becomes subject to new work-related requirements as a result of the measures in clause 15 must be provided with written notification of the lone parent flexibilities which the DWP issues as guidance to Jobcentre Plus staff.

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

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★ Clause 15, page 14, line 43, at end insert—

“(3) The Secretary of State must, at time no later than three months before subsections (1) and (2) come into force, issue guidance on the lone parent flexibilities to Jobcentre Plus managers, such guidance must include provision on the training of Jobcentre Plus staff in advance of the new work-related requirements coming into force.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require the Secretary of State to issue up to date written guidance to Jobcentre Plus managers on the lone parent flexibilities, including provisions on the training of Jobcentre Plus staff.

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

133

★ Clause 15, page 14, line 43, at end insert—

“(3) The Secretary of State may not impose a work search requirement on any claimant in receipt of Universal Credit, who is a lone parent, in circumstances which include but are not limited to the following—

(a) the claimant’s adviser determines that there is an inadequate number of suitable employment vacancies within reasonable daily travelling distance of the claimant’s home;

(b) the claimant is responsible for the care of a child during that child’s school holidays, and it is not reasonable to expect the claimant to make alternative arrangements;

(c) the claimant is responsible for the care of a child during any period in which that child is excluded from school, or is otherwise not receiving education pursuant to arrangements made by a local education authority, and it is not reasonable to expect the claimant to make alternative arrangements;

(d) any child care expenses which would be necessarily incurred by the claimant as a result of carrying out the requirement imposed would represent an unreasonably high proportion of the income the claimant could expect to receive while carrying out the requirement in question;

(e) the claimant is enrolled on a course of study leading to a vocational qualification, or is otherwise undertaking engaged in vocational training;

(f) the claimant has become a lone parent within the last six months;
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(g) any other circumstances in which the claimant’s adviser may consider the imposition of a work search requirement to be unreasonable in light of that claimant’s individual circumstances.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To provide a statutory basis for flexibility to be applied in imposing work search requirements on lone parents in receipt of Universal Credit.

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell Corri Wilson

Page 14, line 28, leave out Clause 15

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would retain the current conditionality requirements for work related activity/ work focused interviews/ work preparation for those claimants with children under 5 in receipt of universal credit.

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 16, page 15, line 4, leave out “pay mortgage interest in relation to property” and insert “make owner-occupier payments in respect of accommodation”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment replaces the description of the payments for which loans may be made with a reference to “owner-occupier payments” relating to the accommodation that persons occupy as their homes. The term will be defined in regulations (see amendment 116). This amendment also ensures that there is flexibility to provide support as regards all possible dwellings.

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 16, page 15, line 13, leave out “amounts secured by a mortgage” and insert “liabilities”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment and amendments 112, 113, 118, 122, 123, 124, 125 and 126 are consequential on amendment 110 which replaces the reference to mortgage interest payments with a reference to owner-occupier payments.

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 16, page 15, line 16, leave out “the mortgage relates to amounts used” and insert “a person’s liability to make owner-occupier payments was incurred”

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 16, page 15, line 18, leave out from “about” to “in” in line 19 and insert “—
(a) determining or calculating the amount of a person’s liabilities;
(b) the maximum amount of a person’s liabilities”
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Priti Patel

Clause 16, page 15, line 24, after second “a” insert “mortgage of or”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment ensures that regulations under clause 16 about requiring security for a loan may make provision for situations where there is no pre-existing mortgage over the person’s home.

Priti Patel

Clause 16, page 15, line 24, at end insert “a legal or beneficial interest in”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment makes clear that regulations under clause 16 about requiring security for a loan may make provision for security to be taken in respect of a legal or a beneficial interest in the person’s home.

Stephen Timms
Kate Green
Chris Leslie
Emily Thornberry
Owen Smith
Debbie Abrahams

Clause 16, page 15, line 25, at end insert—
“(7A) The waiting period before a person can apply for a loan under this section shall be 13 weeks.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require that the waiting period before an application for a loan for mortgage interest can be made is 13 weeks.

Priti Patel

Clause 16, page 15, line 25, at end insert—
“( ) The regulations may define “owner-occupier payment”.”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment provides for regulations under clause 16 to define the term “owner-occupier payment”. The definition will make provision about mortgage interest payments and payments under alternative finance arrangements.

Priti Patel

Clause 16, page 15, line 26, leave out subsection (8)

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment removes definitions that are no longer needed for clause 16.

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

Clause 16, page 15, leave out from line 34 to end of clause and insert—
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“(11) A statutory instrument containing regulations under this section may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require that regulations under this section must be subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell
Corri Wilson

Page 15, line 1, leave out Clause 16

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment would mean those owner-occupiers who are in receipt of an income related benefit can continue to claim additional help towards their mortgage interest payments and mitigate risk of repossession of homes instead of introducing a loan system which will be secured against their property.

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 17, page 15, line 40, leave out “pay mortgage interest” and insert “make owner-occupier payments”

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 17, page 15, line 42, leave out “property” and insert “particular accommodation”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment is consequential on amendment 110 which replaces a reference to property occupied as a home with a reference to accommodation occupied as a home.

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 17, page 16, line 5, at end insert—

“( ) provision about entering into an agreement (which may contain such terms and conditions as the Secretary of State thinks fit, subject to what may be provided in the regulations);”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment makes clear that regulations under clause 17(3) may make provision about entering into agreements with persons receiving loans, and the Secretary of State may determine the contents of such agreements.
Priti Patel

✿ Clause 17, page 16, line 8, leave out “the”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment is consequential on amendment 120, which refers to the Secretary of State determining the contents of agreements with persons receiving loans.

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

✿ Clause 17, page 16, line 13, at end insert—
“(4) The regulations must make provision for persons applying for a loan to have access to financial advice, which must be provided free of charge by an organisation independent of the qualifying lender.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require that those applying for a loan must have access to free and impartial financial advice which is independent of the lender to whom the application is made.

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

✿ Clause 17, page 16, line 13, at end insert—
“(4) The regulations must provide for persons in receipt of Support for Mortgage interest at the time the regulations come into force to continue to receive these payments for a period of no less than 12 months before they are required to apply for a loan.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require that regulations setting out transitional protections for existing claimants of Support for Mortgage Interest must include provisions requiring payments to continue to be made on the basis of the current framework for at least 12 months following the date on which the regulations come into force, before they are expected to apply for a loan.

Priti Patel

✿ Clause 17, page 16, line 16, leave out “pay mortgage interest” and insert “make owner-occupier payments”

Priti Patel

✿ Clause 17, page 16, line 19, leave out “pay mortgage interest” and insert “make owner-occupier payments”

Priti Patel

✿ Clause 17, page 16, line 28, leave out “in respect of the mortgage interest” and insert “in relation to which the amount is paid”

Priti Patel

✿ Clause 17, page 16, line 39, leave out from “is” to end of line 40 and insert “liable to make owner-occupier payments under more than one agreement to make such payments.”
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 17, page 16, line 46, leave out subsection (7)

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 17, page 17, leave out lines 29 to 32

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment removes definitions that are no longer needed for clause 17.

Angus Robertson
Mike Weir
Dr Eilidh Whiteford
Natalie McGarry
Mhairi Black
Ian Blackford

Hannah Bardell   Corri Wilson

Page 15, line 36, leave out Clause 17

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment is consequential on amendment 64.

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

☆ Clause 18, page 17, line 40, leave out “repealed.” and insert “amended as follows—

(a) insert at the end of subsection 1—

“(1AA) In addition to the conditions set out in subsection 1 a “relevant beneficiary” must be an individual in receipt of pension credit (see section 1 of the State Pension Credit Act 2002).”

Member’s explanatory statement
To maintain Support for Mortgage Interest as a benefit for anyone in receipt of State Pension Credit and replace it with a loan only for those in receipt of income-based benefits for people of working age.

Priti Patel

☆ Clause 18, page 17, line 40, at end insert—

“( ) In section 3A of the State Pension Credit Act 2002 (housing credit), in subsection (5)(a), omit the words from “(and,) to “payments)”."

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment adds a consequential amendment of section 3A(5)(a) of the State Pension Credit Act 2002, which is about the meaning of “payments in respect of accommodation”. It removes a reference to mortgage payments.
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

Clause 18, page 17, line 41, leave out subsections (2) and (3)

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment is consequential to amendment 137.

Priti Patel

Clause 19, page 18, line 11, at beginning insert “In relation to each relevant year,”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment and amendment 143 make clear that the reduction in rent applies in each year.

Priti Patel

Clause 19, page 18, line 12, after first “in” insert “respect of”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment and amendment 146 make clear that the rent in question is the rent due to be paid in respect of a given period.

Priti Patel

Clause 19, page 18, line 12, leave out first “a” and insert “that”

Priti Patel

Clause 19, page 18, line 12, after “is” insert “at least”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment permits a registered provider of social housing to make a reduction in rent of more than the required 1%.

Priti Patel

Clause 19, page 18, line 13, after “amount” insert “of rent”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment is a drafting point.

Priti Patel

Clause 19, page 18, line 13, after “in” insert “respect of”

Priti Patel

Clause 19, page 19, line 9, after “a” insert “private”

Member’s explanatory statement
This amendment and amendment 148 secure that only private registered providers may have relevant years starting on a date other than 1 April.
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Priti Patel

★ Clause 19, page 19, line 19, after “A” insert “private”

Stephen Timms
Kate Green
Chris Leslie
Emily Thornberry
Owen Smith
Debbie Abrahams

Clause 19, page 19, line 25, at end insert—
“(9A) The Secretary of State must, within 12 months of this section coming into force, produce a plan to offset the impact of lower social rents on housing associations and local government.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require the Secretary of State to produce a plan to offset the impact of lower social rents on housing associations, so that their ability to build new affordable homes is not affected.

Stephen Timms
Kate Green
Emily Thornberry
Owen Smith
Debbie Abrahams

Clause 19, page 19, line 25, at end insert—
“(9A) The Secretary of State must, within 12 months of this section coming into force, produce a report outlining the impact of the reduction in social housing rents on the availability of accessible and supported housing.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To require the Secretary of State to report on the impact of lower social rents on the availability of accessible and supported housing.

Emily Thornberry
Neil Coyle
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

Clause 20, page 20, line 5, at end insert—
“(e) the accommodation is specified accommodation, as defined in the Housing Benefit and Universal Credit (Supported Accommodation) (Amendment) Regulations 2014.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To provide that the mandatory 1% annual reduction in social housing rents will not apply to the tenants of “specified accommodation”.

Emily Thornberry
Neil Coyle
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Priti Patel

★ Clause 20, page 20, line 19, at end insert—

“( ) Regulations made by virtue of subsection (3)(e) may include provision about periods during a tenancy when the rent payable is temporarily reduced or waived.”

*Member’s explanatory statement*
This amendment makes clear that the Secretary of State may provide in regulations for clause 19 not to apply when rent is temporarily reduced or waived.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 20, line 45, at beginning insert “at least”

*Member’s explanatory statement*
This amendment and amendment 151 permit a private registered provider to whom a direction in the terms of clause 21(2)(b) is issued to make a reduction in rent, instead of keeping the rent the same.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 20, line 45, for “the same as” substitute “no more than”

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 2, at end insert “at least”

*Member’s explanatory statement*
This amendment permits a private registered provider to whom a direction in the terms of clause 21(2)(c) is issued to make a greater reduction in rent than the reduction specified in the direction.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 3, at end insert—

“(d) a direction that section 19 is to have effect in relation to a private registered provider specified in the direction as if section 19(1) required the private registered provider to secure that the amount of rent payable by tenants of their social housing increased by no more than the percentage specified in the direction.”

*Member’s explanatory statement*
This amendment provides for directions that exempt a private registered provider from the rent reduction requirements in clause 19 but limit what increase in rent the provider may impose.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 5, at end insert “, and

(b) the social housing in relation to which it is to have effect.”

*Member’s explanatory statement*
This amendment enables a direction to affect only some social housing of a private registered provider.
Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 11, at end insert—

“( ) The regulator may publish a document about the measures that the regulator considers could be taken by a private registered provider to comply with section 19 and to avoid jeopardising its financial viability.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment enables the Regulator of Social Housing to publish documents relating to the condition in clause 21(4).

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 13, after “(9)” insert “or (9A)”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment and amendment 162 provide that the Secretary of State may issue a direction if an alternative condition is met, that is, a condition that the circumstances of the local authority must satisfy requirements prescribed in regulations by the Secretary of State.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 18, after “for” insert “at least”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment and amendment 158 permit a local authority to which a direction in the terms of clause 21(7)(b) is issued to make a reduction in rent, instead of keeping the rent the same.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 19, for “the same as” substitute “no more than”

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 21, after “required” insert “at least”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment permits a local authority to which a direction in the terms of clause 21(7)(c) is issued to make a greater reduction in rent than the reduction specified in the direction.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 22, at end insert—

“(d) a direction that section 19 is to have effect in relation to a local authority specified in the direction as if section 19(1) required the authority to secure that the amount of rent payable by tenants of their social housing increased by no more than the percentage specified in the direction.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment provides for directions that exempt a local authority from the rent reduction requirements in clause 19 but limit what increase in rent the authority may impose.

Priti Patel

★ Clause 21, page 21, line 24, at end insert “, and

(b) the social housing in relation to which it is to have effect.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment enables a direction to affect only some social housing of a local authority.
Priti Patel

**Clause 21**, page 21, line 27, at end insert—

“(9A) The condition in this subsection is that the circumstances of the local authority satisfy requirements prescribed in regulations made by the Secretary of State.”

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Priti Patel

**Clause 22**, page 21, line 41, leave out subsections (1) and (2)

*Member’s explanatory statement*

This amendment provides that failure, or a risk of failure, to comply with clause 19 is not to be, of itself, a ground for exercising certain powers under Part 2 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008.

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Priti Patel

**Clause 22**, page 22, line 9, leave out “Full Employment and Welfare Benefits” and insert “Welfare Reform and Work”

*Member’s explanatory statement*

This amendment and amendments 165 to 168 correct references to provisions of the Bill.

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Priti Patel

**Clause 22**, page 22, line 13, leave out “Full Employment and Welfare Benefits” and insert “Welfare Reform and Work”

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Priti Patel

**Clause 22**, page 22, line 17, leave out “Full Employment and Welfare Benefits” and insert “Welfare Reform and Work”

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Priti Patel

**Clause 22**, page 22, line 21, leave out “Full Employment and Welfare Benefits” and insert “Welfare Reform and Work”

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Priti Patel

**Clause 22**, page 22, line 25, leave out “Full Employment and Welfare Benefits” and insert “Welfare Reform and Work”

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NEW CLAUSES

Priti Patel

To move the following Clause—

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“Transitional provision

(1) Regulations made by the Secretary of State may make such transitional or transitory provision or savings as the Secretary of State considers necessary or expedient in connection with the coming into force of sections 16 to 18.

(2) The regulations may include provision for temporarily excluding the making of a loan under regulations under section 16 after the coming into force of sections 16 to 18.

(3) Regulations under subsection (2) may in particular—
   (a) provide for a temporary exclusion to continue until a time or times specified in a notice issued by the Secretary of State;
   (b) enable the Secretary of State to issue notices under paragraph (a) specifying different times for different persons or descriptions of person.

(4) The regulations may include provision for enabling assistance with payments in respect of accommodation occupied as a home to be given by means of a qualifying benefit after the coming into force of sections 16 to 18 (including where the making of loans is temporarily excluded).

(5) Regulations under subsection (4) may in particular—
   (a) provide for legislation that has been repealed or revoked to be treated as having effect;
   (b) provide for assistance by means of a qualifying benefit to continue until a time or times specified in a notice issued by the Secretary of State;
   (c) enable the Secretary of State to issue notices under paragraph (b) specifying different times for different persons or descriptions of person.

(6) In this section “qualifying benefit” means income support, income-based jobseeker’s allowance, income-related employment and support allowance, state pension credit or universal credit.

(7) Regulations under this section may make different provision for different areas, cases or purposes.

(8) Regulations under this section must be made by statutory instrument.

(9) A statutory instrument containing regulations under this section is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.”
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Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment adds a clause enabling the Secretary of State to make regulations providing for the roll-out of loans in place of the current help offered to owner-occupiers. The new clause ensures that the Government can manage the introduction of loans for mortgage interest and other payments as it sees fit and, in particular, the migration of persons who currently receive assistance in the form of a benefit to receiving assistance by way of a loan.
To move the following Clause—

“Expenses of paying sums in respect of vehicle hire etc.

In the Social Security Administration Act 1992, after section 15A insert—

“Expenses in respect of vehicle hire etc.

15B Expenses of paying sums in respect of vehicle hire etc.

(1) This section applies where—

(a) a relevant benefit component is payable in respect of a person (“the beneficiary”),

(b) an agreement has been entered into by or on behalf of the beneficiary with a relevant provider for the lease or hire purchase of a motor vehicle, and

(c) by virtue of regulations under section 5(1), the Secretary of State pays all or part of the relevant benefit component to the relevant provider for the purpose of discharging, in whole or in part, an obligation of the beneficiary under the agreement.

(2) Regulations may make provision—

(a) for the expenses of the Secretary of State in administering the making of payments to relevant providers to be defrayed, in whole or in part, at the expense of relevant providers, whether by requiring them to pay prescribed fees or by deducting and retaining a prescribed part of the payments that would otherwise be made to them or by such other method as may be prescribed;

(b) for the recovery from a relevant provider of any fees or other sums due from that provider under paragraph (a).

(3) In this section—

“relevant benefit component” means—

(a) the mobility component of disability living allowance, if it is payable at the higher rate (see section 73(11)(a) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992), or

(b) the mobility component of personal independence payment, if it is payable at the enhanced rate (see section 79(2) of the Welfare Reform Act 2012);

“relevant provider” means a person whose business consists of or includes the supply by way of lease or hire purchase of motor vehicles to persons in respect of whom a relevant benefit component is payable.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment enables the Secretary of State to make regulations about recovering from an organisation the expenses incurred as a result of paying a claimant’s relevant disability benefit, or part of it, to that organisation.
To move the following Clause—

“Report on impact of benefit cap reductions

(1) The Secretary of State must publish and lay before Parliament before the end of the financial year ending with 31 March 2017 a report on the impact of the benefit cap reductions introduced by this Bill.

(2) The report must include an assessment of the impact on each of the measures of child poverty defined in the Child Poverty Act 2010.”

Member’s explanatory statement
This new clause requires the Secretary of State to review impact of lower benefit cap after 12 months.

To move the following Clause—

“Local Housing Allowance

(1) For each of the tax years ending with 5 April 2017, 5 April 2018, 5 April 2019 and 5 April 2020, the amount paid to claimants of the Local Housing Allowance is be reviewed by the Secretary of State.

(2) In reviewing these sums the Secretary of State shall have regard to—

(a) the rate of inflation,
(b) the national economic situation, and
(c) the levels of market rent.”

Member’s explanatory statement
This new clause requires the Secretary of State to review the level of the Local Housing Allowance annually, in light of the rate of inflation, levels of market rent and the national economic situation.
To move the following Clause—

“Personal independence payment: timing of payment

(1) Schedule 10 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 is amended as follows.
(2) In paragraph 1(1), at start insert “Subject to paragraph ( ),”
(3) At end of paragraph 1(1), insert the following new paragraph—

“( ) Where a person in receipt of disability living allowance meets the requirements of section 82 of the 2012 Act his or her entitlement to disability living allowance shall terminate immediately and entitlement to personal independence payment shall commence on the same day.”

Member’s explanatory statement
This New Clause aims to enable claimants of DLA who are transferred to PIP due to terminal illness to receive their first PIP payment immediately after being transferred. Currently claimants must wait four weeks from their final DLA payment to be made and then another four weeks to receive their first PIP payment.

Emily Thornberry
Dawn Butler
Wes Streeting
Stephen Pound
Mr Steve Reed
Debbie Abrahams

Owen Smith

To move the following Clause—

“Entitlement to housing benefit

(1) Section 130A of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (Appropriate maximum housing benefit), is amended as follows.
(2) After subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) Entitlement to housing benefit shall not be restricted in respect of a maximum number of children or qualifying young persons for whom a claimant is responsible.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To prevent the Secretary of State from limiting entitlement to housing benefit by taking into account only a certain number of children in a family.
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Emily Thornberry
Dawn Butler
Wes Streeting
Stephen Pound
Mr Steve Reed
Debbie Abrahams

Owen Smith
NC6

To move the following Clause—

“Entitlement to housing costs under Universal Credit
(1) Section 11 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (Housing costs), is amended as follows.
(2) After subsection (5) insert—
“(6) Entitlement to an amount under this section shall not be restricted in respect of a maximum number of children or qualifying young persons for whom a claimant is responsible.”

Member’s explanatory statement
To prevent the Secretary of State from limiting entitlement to housing costs under Universal Credit by taking into account only a certain number of children in a family.

Stephen Timms
Kate Green
Emily Thornberry
Owen Smith
Debbie Abrahams
NC8

To move the following Clause—

“Review of childcare tax credit amounts
The Secretary of State must at least once a year review the level of the Childcare element of the Working Tax Credit entitlement sums to determine whether it is appropriate to increase or decrease any one or more of those sums.”

Member’s explanatory statement
This New Clause would require the Secretary of State to review the childcare tax credit entitlement sums.

Jess Phillips
Hannah Bardell
Corri Wilson
NC10

To move the following Clause—

“Changes to age of eligible claimants of housing benefit
(1) The Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 is amended as follows.
(2) After section 130(1) insert—

“(1A) The Secretary of State shall not make provision about eligibility for housing benefit in respect of the age of a claimant except by primary legislation.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This New Clause aims to ensure that any changes to the age of eligible claimants for housing benefit must be made by primary legislation rather than regulation. The Government intends to withdraw entitlement to housing benefit from 18-21 year olds and it is understood this change would be enacted by regulation.

Hannah Bardell
Corri Wilson
Dr Eilidh Whiteford

To move the following Clause—

“**Definition of job quality**

(1) Within six months of section 1 of this Act coming into force, the Secretary of State must, by regulation, provide a definition of job quality.

(2) Before issuing regulations under this section the Secretary of State must carry out a public consultation.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

To require the Secretary of State to bring forward a definition of job quality and to ensure there is a consultation on defining job quality.

Hannah Bardell
Corri Wilson

To move the following Clause—

“**Entitlement to housing costs element of universal credit for 18-21 year olds**

(1) Entitlement to the housing cost element of Universal Credit shall not be restricted for those 18 to 21 year olds who fall into the following categories—

(a) those who have previously been in work;
(b) a person who lives independently;
(c) those with a disability or mental health problem receiving Employment Support Allowance or Income Support;
(d) those with dependent children;
(e) pregnant women;
(f) those who are owed a rehousing duty under—
(i) section 193 of the Housing Act 1996;
(ii) section 9 of the Homelessness etc. (Scotland) Act 2003;
(iii) section 73 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014;
(g) those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness who are being assisted by local authority housing teams;
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(h) those who are living in statutory or voluntary sector homelessness accommodation;
(i) those who have formerly been homeless and have been supported by voluntary or statutory agencies into accommodation;
(j) those who have formerly been homeless between the ages of 16 and 21;
(k) a person without family or whom social services have found that a home environment is not suitable for them to live in;
(l) care leavers; and
(m) those leaving custody.

(2) Within three months of section [Entitlement to housing costs element of universal credit for 18-21 year olds] of this Act coming into force, the Secretary of State must, by regulation, provide definitions of—
(a) “a person who lives independently”;
(b) “risk of homelessness”; and
(c) “a person without family”.

Member’s explanatory statement
To ensure that 18-21 year olds who meet one of the listed conditions are entitled to receive the housing cost elements of universal credit.
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(c) in exceptional circumstances as defined by the Social Security Advisory Committee, including but not limited to—
   (i) the claimant becoming unemployed;
   (ii) the death of one of the parents in the claimant household; and
   (iii) one of the parents in the claimant household leaving the household following a breakdown in relationship.

(2) No limit shall apply to a household where any child or qualifying young person is disabled.

(3) No limit shall apply to couples with dependent children who if living in separate households would not be affected by the limit.

(4) The Secretary of State shall, by regulation, establish an appeals process by which an individual can appeal a decision as to whether an exemption set out in this clause applies in their individual situation.”

Emily Thornberry
Debbie Abrahams
Owen Smith

★ To move the following Clause—

“Review of application of sanctions

(1) The Secretary of State must before the financial year ending 31 March 2016 provide for a full and independent review of the sanctions regimes attached to working-age benefits, including but not limited to Jobseekers Allowance, Employment Support Allowance and Income Support, to determine whether they are effective and proportionate for meeting the Government’s objectives.

(2) The terms of reference for the review must include consideration of—
   (a) the application of sanctions to lone parents with dependent children;
   (b) the application of sanctions to claimants who are disabled;
   (c) the effectiveness of sanctions in moving claimants into sustained work; and
   (d) any other matters which the Secretary of State considers relevant.”

Member’s explanatory statement

To provide for a full, independent review of the operation of the sanctions regimes attached to out-of-work benefits, to determine the effectiveness of sanctions in moving claimants into sustained work as well as any adverse impacts on particular groups.
Neil Coyle

To move the following Clause—

“Review of Disability Living Allowance and Personal Independence Payment

(1) Part 4 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (Personal Independence Payment) is amended as follows.

(2) Insert new section after section 79—

“79A Review of Disability Living Allowance and Personal Independence Payment

(1) The Secretary of State shall in each tax year review the standard rate and enhanced rate of the daily living (section 78) and mobility component (section 79) of the personal independence payment.

(2) In carrying out a review under subsection (1) the Secretary of State shall consider the effect on the rates if they were increased by—

(a) the percentage increase in the general level of earnings at the end of the period;

(b) the percentage increase in the general level of prices for goods and services, as measured by the Consumer Price Index or by any measurement formally replacing the Consumer Price Index; and

(c) 2.5 per cent.

(3) The Secretary of State shall within three months of this review concluding lay before Parliament a draft order which increases the value of the amount referred to in subsection (1) by the greatest of the three amounts calculated under paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsections (2).”

Member’s explanatory statement

For DLA and PIP to be triple locked to further protect their value.

Priti Patel

Clause 24, page 23, line 22, after “18” insert “and (Transitional provision)”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment means that the new clause in amendment NC13 has the same extent as clauses 16 to 18 (England and Wales and Scotland).

Priti Patel

Clause 24, page 23, line 22, at end insert—

“( ) section (Expenses of paying sums in respect of vehicle hire etc.) (expenses of paying sums in respect of vehicle hire etc.).”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment is consequential on NC14, the new clause ‘Expenses of paying sums in respect of vehicle hire etc.’ The new clause extends to England and Wales and Scotland.
Clause 25, page 24, line 2, at end insert—
“(5A) Sections 15(1)(c) and 15(2)(b) comes into force on a day or days as the Secretary of State may appoint by regulation that shall not be before 6 April 2018.”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment delays the introduction of the changes to work related requirements until 6 April 2018 (at the earliest). This is to allow the Government’s planned changes to childcare provision to be introduced before the changes to work related requirements take effect.

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Title, line 3, leave out “social mobility” and insert “life chances”

**Member’s explanatory statement**

This amendment amends the Title to change the words “social mobility” to “life chances” to make the terminology consistent with that used in the Bill.

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**ORDER OF THE HOUSE [20 JULY 2015]**

That the following provisions shall apply to the Welfare Reform and Work Bill:

**Committal**

1. The Bill shall be committed to a Public Bill Committee.

**Proceedings in Public Bill Committee**

2. Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion on Thursday 15 October.
3. The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

**Consideration and Third Reading**

4. Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which those proceedings are commenced.
5. Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.
6. Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading.

**Other proceedings**

7. Any other proceedings on the Bill (including any proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments or on any further messages from the Lords) may be programmed.
ORDER OF THE COMMITTEE [10 SEPTEMBER 2015]

That—

(1) the Committee shall (in addition to its first meeting at 11.30 am on Thursday 10 September) meet—

(a) at 2.00 pm on Thursday 10 September;
(b) at 8.55 am and 4.30 pm on Tuesday 15 September;
(c) at 11.30 am and 2.00 pm on Thursday 17 September;
(d) at 9.25 am and 2.00 pm on Tuesday 13 October;
(e) at 11.30 am and 2.00 pm on Thursday 15 October;

(2) the Committee shall hear oral evidence in accordance with the following Table:

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(3) proceedings on consideration of the Bill in Committee shall be taken in the following order: Clauses 1 to 10; the Schedule; Clauses 11 to 22; new Clauses; new Schedules; Clauses 23 to 26; remaining proceedings in the Bill;
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(4) the proceedings shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at 5.00 pm on Thursday 15 October.

NOTICES WITHDRAWN

The following Notices were withdrawn on 2 September:

Amendment 3

The following Notices were withdrawn on 7 September:

NC3

The following Notices were withdrawn on 9 September:

Amendments 11 and 74

The following Notices were withdrawn on 8 October:

NC7 and NC9