



# House of Commons

Thursday 15 October 2015

## PUBLIC BILL COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

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### WELFARE REFORM AND WORK BILL

[NINTH AND TENTH SITTINGS]

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Guy Opperman

That the Order of the Committee of 10 September 2015 be amended as follows:

(1) In paragraph (1), after sub-paragraph (e) insert—

“(f) at 9.25 am and 2.00 pm on Tuesday 20 October;”.

(2) In paragraph (4), for “Thursday 15 October” substitute “Tuesday 20 October”.

*Agreed to*

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

*Withdrawn 19*

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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to 116*

Clause 16, page 15, line 25, at end insert—

“( ) The regulations may define “owner-occupier payment”.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to 117*

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

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Emily Thornberry  
Debbie Abrahams  
Owen Smith

*Withdrawn* 134

Clause 16, page 15, line 34, leave out subsection (11) and insert—

“(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.”

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

Hannah Bardell

Corri Wilson

*Not selected* 64

Page 15, line 1, leave out Clause 16

*Clause, as amended, agreed to on division.*

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Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 118

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 119

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 120

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);”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 121

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

Emily Thornberry  
Debbie Abrahams  
Owen Smith

*Withdrawn* 135

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.”

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

Emily Thornberry  
Debbie Abrahams  
Owen Smith

*Withdrawn* 136

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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 122

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 123

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 124

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

*Agreed to* 125

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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 126

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 127

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

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

Hannah Bardell

Corri Wilson

*Not selected* 65

Page 15, line 36, leave out Clause 17

*Clause, as amended, agreed to on division.*

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 Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued*

Emily Thornberry  
Debbie Abrahams  
Owen Smith

*Negated on division* 137

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).”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 128

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).”

Emily Thornberry  
Debbie Abrahams  
Owen Smith

*Not called* 138

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

*Clause, as amended, agreed to on division.*

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Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 141

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 142

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 143

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 144

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 145

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 146

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

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 169

Clause 19, page 18, line 14, at end insert—

“( ) If—

- (a) the tenancy of particular social housing comes to an end after part of a relevant year has elapsed, or
  - (b) this section ceases to apply in relation to the tenancy of particular social housing after part of a relevant year has elapsed,
- the requirement in subsection (1) has effect in relation to the part of the relevant year falling before that time with a proportionate reduction in the maximum amount of rent payable to the registered provider by the tenant.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 170

Clause 19, page 18, line 15, leave out subsection (2)

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 171

Clause 19, page 18, line 16, leave out subsection (3) and insert—

“(3) The amount of rent payable to the registered provider by the tenant in respect of the 12 months preceding the first relevant year is to be treated for the purposes of subsection (1) as having been the greater of the following amounts—

- (a) the amount of rent that would have been payable in respect of those 12 months if the rate of rent applicable at the beginning of 8 July 2015 had applied during those 12 months, and
  - (b) if the Secretary of State consents to the use by the registered provider of a different day (“the permitted review day”), the amount of rent that would have been payable in respect of those 12 months if the rate of rent applicable at the beginning of the permitted review day had applied during those 12 months.
- (3A) A consent given for the purposes of subsection (3) may be a consent given for a particular case or for a description of cases.
- (3B) If a tenancy existing in the first relevant year began before the beginning of 8 July 2015 but less than 12 months before the beginning of the first relevant year, the tenancy is to be treated for the purposes of subsection (1) as having begun at least 12 months before the first relevant year (and subsection (3) is to have effect accordingly).”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 172

Clause 19, page 18, line 25, leave out subsections (4) to (6).

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 147

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 173

Clause 19, page 19, line 10, leave out “tenants” and insert “tenancies”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 148

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

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Priti Patel

*Agreed to 174*

Clause 19, page 19, line 22, at end insert—

“( ) This section is subject to—

- (a) section (*Provision for excepted cases*) (provision for excepted cases);
- (b) Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*) (further provision about social housing rents).”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to 175*

Clause 19, page 19, line 23, leave out subsections (9) and (10)

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

*Withdrawn 21*

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.”

Stephen Timms  
Kate Green  
Emily Thornberry  
Owen Smith  
Debbie Abrahams

*Not called 85*

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.”

Debbie Abrahams

*Not called 184*

Clause 19, page 19, line 35, at end insert—

“(11) Sections 19 to 22 will cease to have effect on 1 April 2020.”

*Clause, as amended, agreed to on division.*

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Priti Patel

*Agreed to 176*

Clause 20, page 19, line 42, leave out paragraph (c) and insert—

“(1A) Section 19 does not apply in relation to social housing that consists of or is included in a property if, where the property is subject to a mortgage or other arrangement under which it is security for the payment of a sum or sums—

- (a) the mortgagee, or a person entitled under the arrangement to be in possession of the property, is in possession of the property,

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

- (b) a receiver has been appointed by the mortgagee, by a person entitled under the arrangement to do so or by the court to receive the rents and profits of that property and that appointment is in force, or
- (c) a person has been appointed under or because of the mortgage or the arrangement to administer or sell or otherwise dispose of the property and that appointment is in force.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 177

Clause 20, page 19, line 47, leave out paragraph (d) and insert—

- “( ) If a registered provider’s interest in property that consists of or includes social housing—
- (a) was mortgaged or made subject to an arrangement other than a mortgage under which the interest in property was security for the payment of a sum or sums, and
  - (b) is sold or otherwise disposed of after the coming into force of section 19 by—
    - (i) the mortgagee or a person entitled under the arrangement to do so,
    - (ii) a receiver appointed by the mortgagee, by a person entitled under the arrangement to do so or by the court to receive the rents and profits of the interest in property, or
    - (iii) a person appointed under or because of the mortgage or the arrangement to exercise powers that consist of or include the sale or other disposal of the interest in property,
- section 19 ceases at that time to apply in relation to that social housing.”

Emily Thornberry  
 Neil Coyle  
 Debbie Abrahams  
 Owen Smith

*Withdrawn* 109

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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 149

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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 178

Clause 20, page 20, line 20, leave out subsection (5)

*Clause, as amended, agreed to on division.*

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, continued**

- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 20, line 45, at beginning insert ““at least”” *Agreed to* 150
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 20, line 45, for ““the same as”” substitute ““no more than”” *Agreed to* 151
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 2, at end insert “at least” *Agreed to* 152
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 3, at end insert— *Agreed to* 153  
 “(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.”
- 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.” *Agreed to* 154
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 11, at end insert— *Agreed to* 155  
 “( ) 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.”
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 13, after “(9)” insert “or (9A)” *Agreed to* 156
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 18, after “for” insert ““at least”” *Agreed to* 157
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 19, for ““the same as”” substitute ““no more than”” *Agreed to* 158
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 21, after “required” insert “at least” *Agreed to* 159
- Priti Patel  
 Clause 21, page 21, line 22, at end insert— *Agreed to* 160



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“(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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 161

Clause 21, page 21, line 24, at end insert “, and  
(b) the social housing in relation to which it is to have effect.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 162

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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 179

Clause 21, page 21, line 31, leave out subsection (11)

*Clause, as amended, agreed to on division.*

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Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 163

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 164

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 165

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 166

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 167

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

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* 168

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

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

*Clause, as amended, agreed to on division.*

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*NEW CLAUSES*

Priti Patel

*Agreed to* **NC13**

To move the following Clause—

**“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.”

Priti Patel

*Agreed to on division* **NC14**

To move the following Clause—

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

**“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.””

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Priti Patel

*Agreed to on division* **NC19**

To move the following Clause—

**“Further provision about social housing rents**

In Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*)—

- (a) Part 1 makes further provision about the maximum amount of rent that registered providers must secure is payable in respect of a relevant year or part of a relevant year by a tenant of their social housing in England;

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

- (b) Part 2 contains provision about exceptions, exemptions and enforcement;
  - (c) Part 3 contains general provision.”
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Priti Patel

Agreed to **NC20**

To move the following Clause—

**“Provision about excepted cases**

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision about the maximum amount of rent payable to a registered provider in respect of a relevant year, or a part of a relevant year, by a tenant of social housing in relation to whom—
  - (a) section 19 does not apply because of an exception in regulations under section 20;
  - (b) a provision about levels of rent in Part 1 of Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*) does not apply because of an exception in regulations under paragraph 5 of that Schedule.
- (2) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision about the maximum amount of rent payable to a registered provider by a tenant of social housing—
  - (a) in respect of the part of the relevant year after an exception in regulations under section 20 ceases to apply;
  - (b) in respect of the part of the relevant year after an exception in regulations under paragraph 5 of Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*) ceases to apply;
  - (c) in respect of the following relevant year (if any).
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) or (2) may, in particular, require registered providers to secure that the maximum amount of rent payable in respect of a relevant year, or part of a relevant year, is an amount determined as specified in the regulations.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) or (2) may make provision about disapplying or modifying a requirement in the regulations as it relates to a registered provider.
- (5) Regulations made by virtue of subsection (4) may, in particular, enable the Secretary of State or the regulator to issue a direction that disappplies or modifies a requirement as it relates to a registered provider.
- (6) Regulations made by virtue of subsection (5) may provide for a direction to specify—
  - (a) the period during which it has effect;
  - (b) the social housing in relation to which it has effect.
- (7) Regulations made by virtue of subsection (5) may—
  - (a) provide for conditions to be satisfied before a direction is issued;
  - (b) provide for the regulator to obtain the consent of the Secretary of State before issuing a direction.
- (8) Regulations under subsection (1) or (2) may make provision about the enforcement of the regulations, including provision applying Part 2 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 with modifications.
- (9) Regulations under this section must be made by statutory instrument.

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

- (10) 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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Priti Patel

*Agreed to* NC21

To move the following Clause—

**“Rent standards**

Sections 194(2A) and 198(3) of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (the powers of the regulator to set and revise standards relating to levels of rent) are subject to sections 19 to 21 and (*Provision about excepted cases*) and Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*).”

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Priti Patel

*Agreed to* NC22

To move the following Clause—

**“Interpretation**

- (1) In sections 19 to (*Rent standards*), this section and Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*)—
- “affordable rent” and “affordable rent housing” have the meaning given by Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*);
  - “local authority” has the same meaning as in the Housing Associations Act 1985;
  - “low cost home ownership accommodation” has the meaning given by section 70 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008;
  - “low cost rental accommodation” has the meaning given by section 69 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008;
  - “private registered provider” means a private registered provider of social housing (see section 80 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008);
  - “registered provider” means a registered provider of social housing (see section 80 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008);
  - “the regulator” means the Regulator of Social Housing;
  - “relevant year” has the meaning given by section 19;
  - “rent” includes payments under a licence to occupy;
  - “service charge” means an amount payable by the tenant of particular accommodation as part of, or in addition to, the rent, and which is payable, directly or indirectly, for services, repairs, maintenance, improvements or insurance or the landlord’s costs of management;
  - “social housing” has the same meaning as in Part 2 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (see sections 68 and 72 of that Act);
  - “the social housing rents provisions” means sections 19 to (*Rent standards*), this section and Schedule (*Further provision about social housing rents*);
  - “tenancy” includes a licence to occupy;

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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

“tenant” includes a person who has a licence to occupy.

- (2) In the social housing rents provisions, a reference to the beginning of a tenancy is a reference to the day on which, under the terms of a lease or other agreement, the tenant is entitled to possession under the tenancy, subject to subsection (3).
- (3) For the purposes of the social housing rents provisions, a tenancy of particular social housing is to be regarded as having been assigned to the tenant under the following tenancy (and not as coming to an end) where—
  - (a) that tenancy is followed by another tenancy of that social housing and at least one person is a tenant under the first tenancy when it comes to an end and under the following tenancy when it begins,
  - (b) that tenancy gives rise to another person’s statutory or assured tenancy of that social housing by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Rent Act 1977 (statutory tenants by succession), or
  - (c) that tenancy gives rise to another tenancy of that social housing by virtue of paragraph 13 of Schedule 1 to the Rent Act 1977 (change of statutory tenant by agreement and with consent of landlord),
 but a tenancy of particular social housing is to be regarded as coming to an end on being assigned by way of exchange (and the assignee is to be regarded as a tenant whose tenancy began at that time).
- (4) References to the tenant under a tenancy of particular social housing are to be read in accordance with subsection (3).
- (5) In the social housing rents provisions, a reference to an amount of rent payable to a registered provider for social housing—
  - (a) in the case of social housing that is affordable rent housing and is let at an affordable rent, includes a reference to an amount payable by way of service charge, and
  - (b) in the case of other social housing, does not include a reference to an amount payable by way of service charge.”

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

*Not called* NC1

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.”
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**Welfare Reform and Work Bill, *continued***

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

*Not called* NC2

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.”

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Paul Blomfield  
Neil Coyle  
Graham Stuart

*Withdrawn* NC4

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.””.

[Adjourned until Tuesday 20 October at 9.25am