

European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) (Extension) Bill

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Repeal section 15A of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Repeal of prohibition on extending implementation period

Section 15A of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 is repealed.

2 Approval of extension of implementation period

After section 13 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (review of EU legislation during implementation period) insert—

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“13AA Approval of extension of implementation period

(1) A Minister of the Crown may agree in the Joint Committee to an extension of the implementation period only if—

(a) a Minister of the Crown has laid before each House of Parliament a statement setting out the length of the proposed extension and such other details as the Minister considers appropriate,

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(b) the House of Commons has passed a motion in the form set out in subsection (2), and

(c) a motion for the House of Lords to take note of the statement has been tabled in the House of Lords by a Minister of the Crown and—

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(i) the House of Lords has debated the motion, or

(ii) the House of Lords has not concluded a debate on the motion before the end of the period of five Lords sitting days beginning with the first Lords sitting day after the day on which the House of Commons passes the motion mentioned in paragraph (b).

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- (2) The form of the motion in subsection (1)(b) is: “That this House, for the purposes of section 13AA of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, agrees to the proposed extension of the implementation period as mentioned in the statement laid before the House on [...] under section 13AA(1)(a) of that Act.”

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3 Commencement and short title

- (1) This Act comes into force on the day it is passed.
- (2) This Act may be cited as the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) (Extension) Act 2020.

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