



# House of Commons

Tuesday 14 July 2020

## CONSIDERATION OF BILL (REPORT STAGE)

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*New Amendments handed in are marked thus ★*

☆ *Amendments which will comply with the required notice period at their next appearance*

### PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES BILL, AS AMENDED

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#### NOTE

**This document includes all amendments tabled to date and includes any withdrawn amendments at the end. The amendments have been arranged in the order in which they relate to the Bill.**

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Keir Starmer  
Angela Rayner  
Cat Smith  
Rachel Reeves  
Christian Matheson  
Mr Nicholas Brown

NC1

To move the following Clause—

#### **“Electorate per constituency**

After rule 2(1) of Schedule 2 to the 1986 Act, insert—

- “(1A) Notwithstanding rule 2(1), where it is necessary to take account of the factors listed in rule 5, the electorate of any constituency shall be—
- (a) no less than 92.5% of the United Kingdom electoral quota, and
  - (b) no more than 107.5% of that quota.”

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**Parliamentary Constituencies Bill, *continued***
***Member's explanatory statement***

*This new clause seeks to instruct the Boundary Commission to aim for 5% above or below the electoral quota calculated in accordance with Schedule 2 rule 2(3) of the 1986 Act; but widens the permissible range in a constituency's electorate up to 7.5% above or below the electoral quota in difficult cases where it is necessary to do so to take proper account of all the considerations in rule 5 of Schedule 2 to the 1986 Act. It will be at the Boundary Commission's discretion whether to apply the wider flexibility in specific cases, in order to comply with the rule 5 considerations such as to maintain local and community ties, or to prevent the division of wards.*

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David Linden  
Ben Lake  
Ian Blackford  
Liz Saville Roberts  
Patrick Grady  
Kirsten Oswald

Pete Wishart

NC2

To move the following Clause—

**“Allocation of constituencies**

- “(1) Rule 8 of Schedule 2 to the 1986 Act (the allocation method) is amended as follows.
- (2) After rule 8(5) insert—
- “(6) Notwithstanding the allocation of constituencies according to the allocation method set out in rule 8(2)(5), there must be a minimum allocation of constituencies as follows—
- (a) Wales must be allocated at least 40 constituencies (including the protected constituency);
  - (b) Scotland must be allocated at least 59 constituencies (including the two protected constituencies);
  - (c) Northern Ireland must be allocated at least 18 constituencies; and
  - (d) the allocation of constituencies must be adjusted accordingly.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This new clause seeks to protect representation in the devolved nations by securing a minimum number of constituencies in each of the devolved nations.*

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Parliamentary Constituencies Bill, *continued*

Wendy Chamberlain  
 Caroline Lucas  
 Stephen Farry  
 Sir Edward Davey  
 Mr Alistair Carmichael  
 Daisy Cooper

Tim Farron  
 Layla Moran  
 Munira Wilson

Wera Hobhouse  
 Sarah Olney

Christine Jardine  
 Jamie Stone

NC3

To move the following Clause—

**“Definition of “electorate”**

In rule 9(2) of Schedule 2 to the 1986 Act, for “whose names appear on the relevant version of a register of parliamentary electors” substitute “who are estimated by the Electoral Commission to be eligible to vote in an election, were they to register”.

***Member’s explanatory statement***

*This new clause would change the definition of ‘electorate’ to include all potential electors, both those who are on an electoral roll and those who are not.*

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Keir Starmer  
 Angela Rayner  
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 Rachel Reeves  
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 Mr Nicholas Brown

Gavin Robinson

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Page 2, line 19, leave out Clause 2

***Member’s explanatory statement***

*This amendment aims to maintain the status quo of parliamentary oversight within the boundary review process.*

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ORDER OF THE HOUSE [2 JUNE 2020]

That the following provisions shall apply to the Parliamentary Constituencies 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 2 July 2020.
3. The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

**Parliamentary Constituencies Bill, *continued****Proceedings on Consideration and up to and including Third Reading*

4. Proceedings on Consideration and any proceedings in legislative grand committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which proceedings on Consideration 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 up to and including Third Reading.

*Other proceedings*

7. Any other proceedings on the Bill may be programmed.
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