



House of Commons

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS

given up to and including

Thursday 3 December 2020

New Amendments handed in are marked thus ★

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

CONSIDERATION OF BILL (REPORT STAGE)

ENVIRONMENT BILL, AS AMENDED

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This document includes all amendments tabled to date and includes any withdrawn amendments at the end.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.

Caroline Lucas

NC1

To move the following Clause—

“Environmental Principles: public authorities

- (1) A public authority, must, when exercising their functions (including the making of policy and legislation), act in accordance with the environmental principles currently in effect.
- (2) The duty in subsection (1) does not apply to policy relating to Wales.
- (3) In this section, “legislation” means—
 - (a) an Act of Parliament; and
 - (b) subordinate legislation.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This new clause would require public authorities to act in accordance with environmental principles when exercising their functions.

Environment Bill, *continued*

Bill Wiggin

NC2

To move the following Clause—

“Assessment of Plans

- (1) The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017/1012 are amended as follows.
- (2) In Regulation 63 (Assessment of implications for European sites and European offshore marine sites) the following are amended—
 - (a) in paragraph (1) for “must” substitute “may”;
 - (b) in paragraph (3) for “must” substitute “may”;
 - (c) in paragraph (4) for “must” substitute “may”;
 - (d) omit paragraph (5) and insert “In the light of the conclusions of the assessment, and subject to regulation 64, the competent authority may take the assessment into account in deciding whether it will agree to the plan or project”; and
 - (e) in paragraph (6) for “must” substitute “may”.”

Bill Wiggin

NC3

To move the following Clause—

“Phosphates Levels

In making decisions on planning decisions, the competent authority can disregard any impact of the potential build and its long-term consequences on the level of phosphates in the water.”

Chris Grayling

NC4

To move the following Clause—

“Protected species: Hedgehog

- (1) The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 is amended in accordance with subsection (2).

Environment Bill, continued

Caroline Lucas

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Clause 18, page 11, line 20, leave out from “benefit” to end of clause and insert—
“(3) Subsection (1) does not apply to policy so far as relating to Wales.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment removes the proportionality limitation and the exceptions for armed forces, defence policy, tax, spending and resources from the requirement to have due regard to the policy statement on environmental principles.

Sir Charles Walker
Sir Oliver Heald
Stephen McPartland

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Clause 82, page 79, line 22, after “damage” insert “, including damage from low flows”

ORDER OF THE HOUSE [26 FEBRUARY 2020, AS AMENDED 4 MAY 2020,
22 JUNE 2020 AND 28 SEPTEMBER 2020]

That the following provisions shall apply to the Environment 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 Tuesday 1 December 2020.
3. The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

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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