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Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Bill (Amendment Paper)

This document lists all amendments tabled to the Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Bill. Any withdrawn amendments are listed at the end of the document. The amendments are arranged in the order in which it is expected they will be decided.

★ New Amendments.

New amendment: NC1

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NC1

★ To move the following Clause—

“Review of public health and poverty effects

- (1) The Secretary of State must review the public health and poverty effects of the provisions of this Act and lay a report of that review before the House of Commons within six months of the day on which this Act is passed.
- (2) A review under this section must consider—
 - (a) the effects of the provisions of this Act on the levels of relative and absolute poverty in the UK,
 - (b) the effects of the provisions of this Act on socioeconomic inequalities and on population groups with protected characteristics as defined by the Equality Act 2010,
 - (c) the effect of uprating benefits in line with price inflation instead of earnings growth under this Act on inter-generational income distribution and fairness,
 - (d) the effects of the provisions of this Act on life expectancy and healthy life expectancy in the UK, and
 - (e) the implications for the public finances of the public health effects of the provisions of this Act.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This new clause would require a review of the impact of temporarily linking the state pension and other benefits covered by this Bill with price inflation rather than earnings growth.
