
Committee Stage: Thursday 3 February 2022

Animal Welfare (Sentience) Bill [Lords] (Amendment Paper)

This document lists all amendments tabled to the Animal Welfare (Sentience) Bill [Lords]. Any withdrawn amendments are listed at the end of the document.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 Amendments: 2 to 4 and NC1

Jim McMahon
Alex Sobel
Mary Glendon
Daniel Zeichner
Luke Pollard
Kerry McCarthy

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★ Clause 2, page 1, line 20, at end insert—

“(4A) In preparing its reports, the Animal Sentience Committee may consult or request information from government departments and other public bodies.

(4B) Public bodies and government departments must cooperate with requests from the Animal Sentience Committee under paragraph (4A).”

Jim McMahon
Alex Sobel
Mary Glendon
Daniel Zeichner
Luke Pollard
Kerry McCarthy

4

★ Clause 2, page 2, line 15, at end insert—

“(8) The Secretary of State must, within one year of the commencement of this Act, set out a timetabled plan for the extension of Animal Sentience Committee scope to any other public bodies deemed relevant.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to consider extending the Animal Sentience Committee to public bodies.

Jim McMahon
Alex Sobel
Mary Glendon
Daniel Zeichner
Luke Pollard
Kerry McCarthy

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★ Clause 3, page 2, line 27, at end insert—

“(4) A Minister of the Crown must make a motion in each House of Parliament in relation to each response to a report from the Animal Sentience Committee laid before Parliament under paragraph (1).”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Minister to give an oral response to Animal Sentience Committee reports, creating an opportunity for parliamentary scrutiny of report recommendations and the Government's response.

Jo Churchill

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Clause 6, page 3, line 16, leave out subsection (5)

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the privilege amendment inserted in the Lords.

Jim McMahon
Alex Sobel
Mary Glendon
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Kerry McCarthy

NC1

★ To move the following Clause—

“Duty to prepare an Animal Sentience Strategy

- (1) The Secretary of State must prepare an Animal Sentience Strategy.
- (2) The Strategy under paragraph (1) must set out how Her Majesty’s Government plans to have regard to animal sentience including plans to—
 - (a) respond to Animal Sentience Committee reports,
 - (b) require animal welfare impact assessments, and
 - (c) commission independent research.
- (3) The Strategy must set out policies that the Secretary of State may ask the Animal Sentience Committee to review.
- (4) The Secretary of State must publish an annual statement on progress on the Animal Sentience Strategy.
- (5) An annual statement under subsection (4) must include a summary of changes in policy or implementation that have occurred in response to an Animal Sentience Committee report over the last 12 months.
- (6) A Minister of the Crown must make a motion in each House of Parliament in relation to the annual statement.
- (7) The Secretary of State must publish a revised Animal Sentience Strategy at the start of each parliament.”

Order of the House

[18 January 2022]

That the following provisions shall apply to the Animal Welfare (Sentience) Bill [Lords]:

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 10 February 2022.
3. The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

Consideration and Third Reading

4. Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which those proceedings 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 Third Reading.

Other proceedings

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