

# Skills and Post-16 Education Bill [HL]

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LORDS AGREEMENT, AMENDMENT INSTEAD OF WORDS SO LEFT OUT OF BILL,  
AND AMENDMENTS TO A COMMONS AMENDMENT

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*[The page and line references are to Bill 176, the Bill as first printed for the Commons]*

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## Clause 7

### COMMONS AMENDMENT 15

**15** Page 10, leave out lines 38 to 40

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*The Lords agree to Commons Amendment 15 and propose the following amendment instead of the words so left out of the Bill –*

**15B** Page 10, line 37, at end insert –

- “(3) Subsection (2) does not apply to the withdrawal of level three courses –
- (a) for the period of three academic years beginning with the first such year which starts after the day on which this Act is passed; and
  - (b) for the fourth such year, unless the Institute has undertaken public consultation and secured consent of the relevant employer representative bodies, as defined in the Skills and Post-16 Education Act 2022, together with appropriate quality assurance.”

### After Clause 13 and Clause 14

### COMMONS AMENDMENTS 17 AND 18

**17** Insert the following new Clause –

**“Information about technical education and training: access to English schools**

- (1) Section 42B of the Education Act 1997 (information about technical education: access to English schools) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1), for “is an opportunity” substitute “are opportunities”.

- (3) After subsection (1) insert –
- “(1A) In complying with subsection (1), the proprietor must give access to registered pupils on at least one occasion during each of the first, second and third key phase of their education.”
- (4) After subsection (2) insert –
- “(2A) The proprietor of a school in England within subsection (2) must –
- (a) ensure that each registered pupil meets, during each of the first and second key phases of their education, at least one provider to whom access is given (or any other number of such providers that may be specified for the purposes of that key phase by regulations under subsection (8)), and
  - (b) ask providers to whom access is given to provide information that includes the following –
    - (i) information about the provider and the approved technical education qualifications or apprenticeships that the provider offers,
    - (ii) information about the careers to which those technical education qualifications or apprenticeships might lead,
    - (iii) a description of what learning or training with the provider is like, and
    - (iv) responses to questions from the pupils about the provider or approved technical education qualifications and apprenticeships.
- (2B) Access given under subsection (1) must be for a reasonable period of time during the standard school day.”
- (5) In subsection (5) –
- (a) in paragraph (c), at the end insert “and the times at which the access is to be given;”;
  - (b) after paragraph (c) insert –
    - “(d) an explanation of how the proprietor proposes to comply with the obligations imposed under subsection (2A).”
- (6) In subsection (8), after “subsection (1)” insert “or (2A)”.
- (7) After subsection (9) insert –
- “(9A) For the purposes of this section –
- (a) the first key phase of a pupil’s education is the period –
    - (i) beginning at the same time as the school year in which the majority of pupils in the pupil’s class attain the age of 13, and
    - (ii) ending with 28 February in the following school year;
  - (b) the second key phase of a pupil’s education is the period –
    - (i) beginning at the same time as the school year in which the majority of pupils in the pupil’s class attain the age of 15, and
    - (ii) ending with 28 February in the following school year;

- (c) the third key phase of a pupil's education is the period—
  - (i) beginning at the same time as the school year in which the majority of pupils in the pupil's class attain the age of 17, and
  - (ii) ending with 28 February in the following school year.””

**18** Page 18, line 2, leave out Clause 14

#### LORDS AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENTS TO A COMMONS AMENDMENT

*The Lords agree to Commons Amendments 17 and 18 and propose the following amendments to Commons Amendment 17—*

**17B** In subsection (3), leave out “one occasion” and insert “two occasions”

**17C** In subsection (4), leave out paragraph (a) and insert—

- “(a) ensure that, during each of the first and second key phases of the education of each registered pupil—
  - (i) on at least two occasions the pupil meets at least one provider to whom access is given (or any other number of such providers that may be specified for the purposes of that key phase by regulations under subsection (8)), and
  - (ii) the pupil does not meet exactly the same provider or providers on each of those occasions, and”

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