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Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) Bill (Amendment Paper)

This document lists all amendments tabled to the Supported Housing (Regulatory Oversight) 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 Any withdrawn amendments are listed at the end of the document.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.

This document should be read alongside the Chair's provisional Selection and Grouping, which sets out the order in which the amendments will be debated.

Clive Betts

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Clause 3, page 4, line 8, at end insert—

- “(5) The Secretary of State may by regulations confer powers on local housing authorities to enforce the National Supported Housing Standards.
- (6) Regulations made under subsection (5) shall be in a form analogous to Part 1 of the Housing Act 2004, with such modifications, amendments, disapplication or transitional provisions as the Secretary of State shall consider appropriate for the purpose of enabling local housing authorities to secure compliance with the National Supported Housing Standards.
- (7) A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (5) may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to give the Secretary of State the option of giving local housing authorities the power to introduce a scheme to enforce the National Supported Housing Standards.

Clive Betts

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Clause 3, page 4, line 8, at end insert—

- “(5) If, at the end of the period of one year beginning with the day on which this Act is passed, the power in subsection (1) is yet to be exercised, the Secretary

of State must publish, in such manner as the Secretary of State thinks fit, a report setting out the progress that has been made towards doing so.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to explain why they have not introduced National Supported Housing Standards, if they have not done so within a year of Royal Assent of the Act.

Clive Betts

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Clause 5, page 5, line 45, at end insert—

“(e) conditions relating to the assessment of the needs of persons who are residents or potential residents of supported exempt accommodation.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment sets out that assessing the needs of people who are residents or potential residents of supported exempt accommodation is a condition that may be attached to a licence.

Bob Blackman

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Clause 6, page 6, line 29, leave out “statutory”

Bob Blackman

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Clause 6, page 6, line 38, leave out “statutory”

Bob Blackman

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Clause 6, page 6, line 40, leave out “statutory”

Bob Blackman

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Clause 6, page 7, line 3, leave out “statutory”

Bob Blackman

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Clause 6, page 7, line 4, leave out “the Local Government Association” and insert “local authorities in England”

Clive Betts

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Clause 10, page 8, line 26, at end insert—

“(8) If, at the end of the period of one year beginning with the day on which this Act is passed, the power in subsection (1) is yet to be exercised, the Secretary of State must publish, in such manner as the Secretary of State thinks fit, a report setting out the progress that has been made towards doing so.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to explain why they have not made provision about the sharing of information relating to supported exempt accommodation, if they have not done so within a year of Royal Assent of the Act.

Clive Betts

NC1

To move the following Clause—

“National Regulator of supported exempt accommodation

- (1) The Secretary of State must, within 6 months of this Act being passed, consult such persons as appropriate on establishing a national regulator of supported exempt accommodation.
- (2) The consultation under subsection (1) must, in addition to other options, consider whether an existing public authority could operate as a national regulator of supported exempt accommodation.
- (3) Following the consultation, the Secretary of State may by regulations establish a national regulator of supported exempt accommodation.
- (4) Regulations made under subsection (3) may provide that any power or duty presently applicable to a local authority under this Act is instead to be performed by that regulator.
- (5) A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (3) may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would require the Secretary of State to consult on the establishment of a national regulator of supported exempt accommodation.

Kate Hollern

NC2

To move the following Clause—

“Charter of Rights for residents of supported exempt accommodation

- (1) A local housing authority in England must publish a Charter of Rights for residents of supported exempt accommodation (“Charter of Rights”).

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- (2) A Charter of Rights under subsection (1) must be published—
 - (a) within three months of the date on which this Act comes into force, and
 - (b) annually thereafter.
 - (3) A Charter of Rights under subsection (1) must contain—
 - (a) a statement of the rights of residents of supported exempt accommodation,
 - (b) a statement of the responsibilities of providers of supported exempt accommodation,
 - (c) information about support services for residents of supported exempt accommodation.
 - (4) In preparing a Charter, the local housing authority must consult—
 - (a) residents of supported exempt accommodation,
 - (b) providers of supported exempt accommodation, and
 - (c) civil society organisations.
 - (5) The Secretary of State must by regulations require a provider of supported exempt accommodation to—
 - (a) ensure that its staff are aware of the Charter of Rights published by the local housing authority,
 - (b) provide a copy of the Charter of Rights to every resident in the supported exempt accommodation it provides,
 - (c) have regard to the relevant Charter of Rights in exercising its functions.
 - (6) A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (5) may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.”