

British Goods (Public Sector Purchasing Duty) Bill

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BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Duty on public bodies to have presumption in favour of British goods

(1) Section 12 of the Procurement Act 2023 is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (4)—

(a) in paragraph (a), omit the second “and”,

(b) at the end of paragraph (b), insert “and”, and

(c) at the end insert—

“(c) notwithstanding the provisions of Part 7 of this Act, exercise a presumption in favour of procuring goods originating in the United Kingdom, having regard to the importance of social value and of ensuring security of supply in crisis situations, including conflict.”

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2 Extent, commencement and short title

(1) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

(2) This Act comes into force at the end of the period of 90 days beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.

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(3) This Act may be cited as the British Goods (Public Sector Purchasing Duty) Act 2024.

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