

BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Bill

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De-criminalise the non-payment of the BBC licence fee by persons aged over seventy five; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the King’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 Amendments to the Communications Act 2003

- (1) Section 363 of the Communications Act 2003 (licence required for use of TV receiver) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2), after “person” insert “aged under 75”.
- (3) In subsection (3), after “person” insert “aged under 75”. 5

2 Extent, commencement and short title

- (1) Any amendment made by this Act has the same extent as the provision amended.
- (2) This Act comes into force at the end of the period of 30 days beginning with the day on which it is passed. 10
- (3) This Act may be cited as the BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Act 2024.

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*Presented by Sir Christopher Chope
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