
Report Stage: Friday 25 October 2024

Great British Energy Bill

(Amendment Paper)

This document lists all amendments tabled to the Great British Energy 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 Any withdrawn amendments are listed at the end of the document.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.

★ New Amendments.

☆ Amendments which will comply with the required notice period at their next appearance.

New Amendments: 11 to 15 and NC2 and NC3

Claire Coutinho

Andrew Bowie
Joy Morrissey
Mark Garnier

NC1

☆ To move the following Clause—

“Review of effective delivery

- (1) The Secretary of State must appoint an independent person to carry out reviews of the effectiveness of Great British Energy in—
 - (a) delivering its objects under section 3,
 - (b) meeting its strategic priorities under section 5, and
 - (c) complying with any directions given under section 6.
- (2) After each review, the independent person must—
 - (a) prepare a report of the review, and
 - (b) submit the report to the Secretary of State, as soon as is reasonably practicable after the completion of the review.
- (3) The independent person must submit to the Secretary of State—
 - (a) the first report under this section within the period of 12 months beginning on the day on which this Act comes into force, and
 - (b) subsequent reports at intervals of no more than 12 months thereafter.

- (4) On receiving the report, the Secretary of State must, as soon as is reasonably practicable in each case—
 - (a) publish the report,
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before Parliament, and
 - (c) prepare and lay before Parliament a response to the report’s findings.
- (5) In this section, references to an “independent person” are to a person who appears to the Secretary of State to be independent of—
 - (a) the Secretary of State, and
 - (b) Great British Energy.”

Adrian Ramsay

NC2

★ To move the following Clause—

“Nature Recovery Duty

- (1) In exercising its functions, Great British Energy must take all reasonable steps to contribute to the achievement of targets set under sections 1–3 of the Environment Act 2021.
- (2) Under the duty set under subsection (1), Great British Energy must consider opportunities to incorporate nature-based solutions in—
 - (a) the design and maintenance of any assets in its ownership, and
 - (b) its investment decisions.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would give Great British Energy a new duty, requiring it to contribute to the achievement of Environment Act targets. The duty specifies the incorporation of nature-based solutions (including nature friendly design and building measures) in all assets owned by and invested in by Great British Energy.

Adrian Ramsay

NC3

★ To move the following Clause—

“Prohibition of investments which would increase greenhouse gas emissions

- (1) Prior to making any investment, Great British Energy must publish an assessment of the impact of the investment decision on—
 - (a) greenhouse gas emissions and
 - (b) the production or combustion of fossil fuels.
- (2) Where the assessment carried out under subsection (1) showed that the investment was expected to contribute to an increase in greenhouse gas emissions, Great British Energy must not make that investment.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would require Great British Energy to publish an assessment of potential investments on greenhouse gas emissions and the production or combustion of fossil fuels. Any investment which the assessment showed was expected to increase greenhouse gas emissions would be prohibited.

Pippa Heylings

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Clause 1, page 1, line 3, at end insert “within 6 months of the day on which this Act is passed.”

Sarah Champion

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Ms Marie Rimmer
 Sir Iain Duncan Smith
 Chris Law
 Gregory Stafford
 Siân Berry

Alex Sobel
 Ellie Chowns

Carla Denyer
 Tonia Antoniazzi

Adrian Ramsay
 Tom Collins

Clause 3, page 2, line 18, at end insert—

“(e) measures for ensuring respect for human rights in the production, distribution, storage and supply of clean energy.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new subsection would make one of the objects of Great British Energy to uphold human rights and the principles of “just transition” in energy supply chains (including critical minerals and solar products).

Pippa Heylings

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Mr Gideon Amos

Clause 3, page 2, line 18, at end insert—

“(e) an emergency home insulation programme with targeted support for people on low incomes, and

(f) the expansion and development of renewable energy and technology.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would set objects for Great British Energy of facilitating, encouraging and participating in an emergency home insulation programme with targeted support for people on low incomes, and the expansion and development of renewable energy and technology.

Stephen Flynn

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Kirsty Blackman

Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert—

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include a priority to reduce household energy bills by at least £300 in real terms.”

Pippa Heylings

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Sarah Champion
Wera Hobhouse
Carla Denyer
Adrian Ramsay
Siân Berry

Ellie Chowns
Olly Glover
Tim Farron
Tom Gordon
Dr Danny Chambers
Manuela Perteghella
Sir Desmond Swayne
Ben Lake
Llinos Medi
Bobby Dean
Abtisam Mohamed
Alison Bennett
Edward Morello
Steve Darling
Chris Coghlan
Liz Jarvis
Dr Al Pinkerton

Claire Young
Victoria Collins
Sarah Dyke
Zöe Franklin
Mike Martin
Mr Lee Dillon
Anna Sabine
Ann Davies
Munira Wilson
Susan Murray
Martin Vickers
Tessa Munt
Marie Goldman
James MacCleary
Andrew George
Mr Joshua Reynolds

Max Wilkinson
Mr Angus MacDonald
Cameron Thomas
Mr Will Forster
Mr Gideon Amos
Kim Johnson
Bob Blackman
Liz Saville Roberts
John Milne
Ian Roome
Anna Dixon
Lisa Smart
Christine Jardine
Wendy Chamberlain
Layla Moran
Jess Brown-Fuller

☆ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert—

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include a priority to advance the production of clean energy from schemes owned, or part owned, by community organisations.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new section would require the statement of strategic priorities to make specific regard to facilitate community-based clean energy schemes.

Claire Coutinho

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Andrew Bowie
Joy Morrissey
Mark Garnier
Saqib Bhatti
Sir Ashley Fox

John Cooper
Gregory Stafford
Katie Lam
Gareth Bacon
Dame Caroline Dinenage
Harriet Cross
Shivani Raja
Gareth Davies

Nick Timothy
Joe Robertson
Peter Fortune
Graham Stuart
Mims Davies
Alison Griffiths
Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst

Rebecca Smith
Charlie Dewhurst
Patrick Spencer
Lewis Cocking
Mr Richard Holden
Jerome Mayhew
Rebecca Harris

☆ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert—

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include the reduction of household energy bills by £300 in real terms by 1 January 2030.”

Claire Coutinho

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Andrew Bowie
Joy Morrissey
Mark Garnier

☆ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert—

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include the creation of 650,000 new jobs in the United Kingdom by 2030 resulting directly or indirectly from Great British Energy’s pursuit of its objectives under section 3.”

Llinos Medi

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★ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert—

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include a priority to allocate 3% of Great British Energy’s budget to marine energy projects.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require 3% of Great British Energy’s budget to be allocated for marine energy projects.

Llinos Medi

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★ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert—

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include a priority to work with Great British Nuclear on the development of nuclear energy projects.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require Great British Energy to work with Great British Nuclear on developing nuclear energy projects.

Llinos Medi

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★ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert—

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include a priority to require any renewable energy development located in Wales that Great British Energy owns or invests into offer a minimum of 10% community and 10% local ownership for each project.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to ensure that all renewable energy projects in Wales which are owned or invested in by Great British Energy would be required to offer a 10% stake in community ownership i.e. for individuals and households, and a 10% stake of local ownership, i.e. any Wales-based organisation.

Llinos Medi

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★ Clause 5, page 3 line 16, leave out “consult” and insert “receive the consent of”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require that the Secretary of State receives consent from Welsh ministers before including in the strategic priorities and plans any matter concerns a subject matter provision about which would be within the legislative competence of Senedd Cymru, if contained in an Act of the Senedd.

Claire Coutinho

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Andrew Bowie
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John Cooper
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Katie Lam
Gareth Bacon
Dame Caroline Dinenege
Harriet Cross
Shivani Raja
Gareth Davies

Nick Timothy
Joe Robertson
Peter Fortune
Graham Stuart
Mims Davies
Alison Griffiths
Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst

Rebecca Smith
Charlie Dewhurst
Patrick Spencer
Lewis Cocking
Mr Richard Holden
Jerome Mayhew
Rebecca Harris

☆ Clause 6, page 3, line 38, at end insert—

- “(1A) The Secretary of State must give a specific direction to Great British Energy that it must report to the Secretary of State on the progress made by Great British Energy towards the strategic priority of reducing household energy bills by £300 in real terms by 1 January 2030.
- (1B) A report under subsection (1A) must include a projection of how Great British Energy’s activities are likely to affect consumer energy bills over the following five years.
- (1C) A report under subsection (1A) must be made within two years of the date of Royal Assent to this Act and annually thereafter.
- (1D) The Secretary of State must lay a report made under subsection (1A) before Parliament.”

Claire Coutinho

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Andrew Bowie
Joy Morrissey
Mark Garnier

☆ Clause 6, page 3, line 38, at end insert—

- “(1A) The Secretary of State must give a specific direction to Great British Energy that it must report to the Secretary of State on the progress made by Great British Energy towards the strategic priority of creating 650,000 new jobs in the United Kingdom by 2030.
- (1B) A report under subsection (1A) must be made within two years of the date of Royal Assent to this Act and annually thereafter.
- (1C) The Secretary of State must lay a report made under subsection (1A) before Parliament.”

Claire Coutinho

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Andrew Bowie
Joy Morrissey
Mark Garnier

☆ Clause 6, page 3, line 38, at end insert—

- “(1A) The Secretary of State must give a specific direction to Great British Energy that it must report to the Secretary of State on—
- (a) Great British Energy’s in-year return on investment, and
 - (b) A forecast of the following year’s expected return on investment.
- (1B) A report under subsection (1A) must be made within two years of the date of Royal Assent to this Act and annually thereafter.
- (1C) The Secretary of State must lay a report under subsection (1A) before Parliament.”

Llinos Medi

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★ Clause 6, page 3, line 38, at end insert—

- “(1A) The Secretary of State must, in particular, direct Great British Energy that any revenues generated from activities of Great British Energy in relation to resources located in Wales must be invested back into projects located in Wales.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to ensure that all revenue generated by Great British Energy from resources in Wales are invested back into energy projects in Wales.

Order of the House

[5 September 2024]

That the following provisions shall apply to the Great British Energy Bill:

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 Tuesday 15 October 2024.
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.