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**Committee Stage: Monday 24 February 2025**

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# **Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill**

## **(Amendment Paper)**

This document lists all amendments tabled to the Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) 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 Any withdrawn amendments are listed at the end of the document.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: 7 to 8

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**Andrew Western**

To move, That the Bill be considered in the following order, namely, Clauses 1 to 7, Schedule 1, Clauses 8 to 69, Schedule 2, Clauses 70 to 74, Schedule 3, Clauses 75 to 77, Schedule 4, Clauses 78 to 90, Schedule 5, Clause 91, Schedule 6, Clauses 92 to 98, New Clauses, New Schedules, Clauses 99 to 104, remaining proceedings on the Bill.

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**Andrew Western**

That, subject to the discretion of the Chair, any written evidence received by the Committee shall be reported to the House for publication.

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**Andrew Western**

That, at this and any subsequent meeting at which oral evidence is to be heard, the Committee shall sit in private until the witnesses are admitted.

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**Georgia Gould**

**Gov 1**

☆ Clause 6, page 4, line 28, in column 1, after "Office" insert ", so far as relating to the Public Sector Fraud Authority"

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment limits the designation of the Cabinet Office as a relevant public authority for the purposes of Part 3 of the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 so that it is designated only so far as relating to the Public Sector Fraud Authority.

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**Georgia Gould**

**Gov 2**

- ☆ Clause 34, page 20, line 30, leave out from “review” to end of line 35

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment leaves out provision that is not needed; clause 29(5), (6) and (8) makes the necessary provision.

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**Georgia Gould**

**Gov 3**

- ☆ Clause 67, page 36, line 10, leave out “disclosure, obtaining or use” and insert “processing”

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment clarifies that clause 67(3) applies in relation to all processing of information and makes it consistent with clause 67(1) and (2)).

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**Siân Berry**

**7**

- ★ Clause 89, page 55, line 6, leave out from “unless” to the end of line 14 and insert—

- “(a) the liable person agrees, or
- (b) there has been a final determination by a court or tribunal that it is necessary and proportionate to exercise a power under Schedule 3ZA.”

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment would mean that the Secretary of State can only exercise powers to recover amounts from a person where the person agrees or where a court or tribunal has determined that such recovery is necessary and appropriate.

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**Andrew Western**

**Gov 4**

- ☆ Schedule 4, page 91, line 28, after “item” insert “or material”

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment clarifies that paragraph 2(3) of new Schedule 3ZD of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (as inserted by Schedule 4 of the Bill) applies in relation to any item or material.

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**Andrew Western**

**Gov 5**

☆ Schedule 4, page 91, line 31, after “item” insert “or material”

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment clarifies that paragraph 2(4) of new Schedule 3ZD of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (as inserted by Schedule 4 of the Bill) applies in relation to any item or material.

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**Siân Berry**

**8**

★ Schedule 5, page 98, line 10, leave out from beginning to end of line 24 on page 99

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment would remove the requirement for banks to provide information to the Secretary of State for the purposes of making a direct deduction order.

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**Andrew Western**

**Gov 6**

☆ Schedule 5, page 107, line 2, leave out from “review” to end of line 7

**Member's explanatory statement**

This amendment leaves out provision that is not needed; paragraph 13(5), (6) and (8) of new Schedule 3ZA of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (as inserted by Schedule 5 of the Bill) makes the necessary provision.

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## Order of the House

[3 February 2025]

That the following provisions shall apply to the Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) 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 Thursday 20 March 2025.
3. The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

**Proceedings on 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 proceedings on Consideration 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.