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Amend the Airports Act 1986.

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 Amendments to the Airports Act 1986

- (1) The Airports Act 1986 is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 30 (directions to airport operators in the interests of national security etc) insert—

“30A Directions to airport operators in the interests of national air infrastructure” 5

The Secretary of State may give to any airport operator a direction requiring the operator (according to the circumstances of the case) to do, or not to do, a particular thing specified in the direction, if the Secretary of State considers it necessary to give such a direction in the interests of ensuring sufficient national air infrastructure between hub and regional airports.” 10

- (3) In section 34 (matters to be taken into account by CAA), after subsection (3)(a) insert—
 - “(aa) the need to ensure adequate services between hub and regional airports;” 15
- (4) In section 82 (general interpretation), after the definition of “functions” insert—

““hub airport” means an airport used as a transfer point for passengers from one flight to another in order to complete a route.” 20

2 Extent, commencement and short title

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on the day on which it is passed.

- (3) This Act may be cited as the Airports Act 1986 (Amendment) Act 2015.

Airports Act 1986 (Amendment) Bill [HL]

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Lord Empey

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