

Higher Education and Research Bill

AMENDMENTS
TO BE MOVED
ON REPORT

Clause 6

LORD STOREY
BARONESS GARDEN OF FROGNAL

Page 4, line 28, at end insert—

- “(1A) Subject to subsection (1B), initial registration conditions of all providers under subsection (1)(a) must include a requirement that every provider—
- (a) provides all eligible students and staff with a mental health support service, and
 - (b) notifies all students and staff of this service.
- (1B) Subsection (1A) does not apply to the Open University and other distance learning institutions.”

After Clause 26

BARONESS GARDEN OF FROGNAL
LORD STOREY

Insert the following new Clause—

“Assessments under section 25: international students

The ability of a student to enter the UK in order to attend a course provided by a registered higher education provider in England or Wales shall not be affected by the quality rating attributed to that provider under section 25 of this Act.”

Clause 32

LORD ADDINGTON

Page 20, line 16, at end insert “and, in the case of students with disabilities or special educational needs who will require changes in methods of teaching and delivery of information, a guide must be prepared which states how best to achieve this and provides examples of existing good practice and the effective use of technology to achieve this end”

Clause 35

LORD ADDINGTON

Page 21, line 22, at end insert –

- “() The OfS has a duty to identify practices which placed disadvantages or extra costs on any group in comparison with similar sections of the student population and take steps to remove them.”

Clause 59

LORD WILLIS OF KNARESBOROUGH

Page 37, line 34, at end insert –

- “() The OfS must require any body which collects data on behalf of any registered higher education provider to –
- (a) make such data available as open data if it considers it to be in the public interest to so do;
 - (b) collect data in a consistent format to allow for efficient and meaningful examination and scrutiny.”

After Clause 82

LORD SHARKEY

Insert the following new Clause –

“Sharia-compliant student finance: progress reports

- (1) The Secretary of State must publish on the Department for Education's website, and must bring to the attention of schools in England and Wales as appropriate, a report which –
 - (a) sets out progress towards the introduction of a scheme of Sharia-compliant student finance; and
 - (b) provides an estimate of when such a scheme will be available for students entering tertiary education.
- (2) A report under subsection (1) must be published within one month of this section coming into force and must be updated quarterly thereafter.
- (3) Where any update provided under subsection (2) varies an estimate of when a scheme will be available, the Secretary of State must provide an explanation.”

After Clause 86

LORD STOREY

BARONESS GARDEN OF FROGNAL

Insert the following new Clause –

“Offence to provide or advertise cheating services

- (1) A person commits an offence if the person provides any service specified in subsection (4) with the intention of giving a student enrolled at an English or Welsh higher education provider an unfair advantage over other such students.

After Clause 86 - continued

- (2) A person commits an offence if the person advertises any services specified in subsection (4) knowing that the service has or would have the effect of giving such a student an unfair advantage over other such students.
- (3) A person commits an offence who, without reasonable excuse, publishes an advertisement for any service specified in subsection (4).
- (4) The services referred to in subsections (1) to (3) are –
 - (a) completing an assignment or any other work that a student enrolled at an English or Welsh higher education provider is required to complete as part of a higher education course in their stead without authorisation from those making the requirement;
 - (b) providing or arranging the provision of an assignment that a student enrolled at an English or Welsh higher education provider is required to complete as part of a higher education course in their stead without authorisation from those making the requirement;
 - (c) providing or arranging the provision of answers for an examination that a student enrolled at an English or Welsh higher education provider is required to complete as part of a higher education course before they complete it and without authorisation from those setting the examination;
 - (d) sitting an examination that a student enrolled at an English or Welsh higher education provider is required to sit as part of a higher education course in their stead or providing another person to sit the exam in place of the student, without authorisation from those setting the examination.
- (5) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.”

Clause 120

LORD SHARKEY

Page 72, line 30, at end insert –

- “() Section (*Sharia-compliant student finance: progress reports*) comes into force on the day on which this Act is passed.”

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