

Secure Tenancies (Victims of Domestic Abuse) Bill [HL]

AMENDMENTS
TO BE MOVED
IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

Clause 1

BARONESS LISTER OF BURTERSETT
BARONESS HAMWEE
LORD KENNEDY OF SOUTHWARK

Page 1, line 7, at end insert “the same or”

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Page 1, line 9, after “tenant)” insert “and regardless of whether the qualifying tenancy is in the jurisdiction of another local authority”

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Page 1, line 10, after “move” insert “or, in the case of a joint tenancy, either to move or to remain in the same dwelling-house but to be granted a new tenancy of it”

Page 1, line 15, at end insert –

- “(2AB) The Secretary of State must by regulations issue guidance as to—
- (a) the identification of persons entitled to be offered a tenancy under subsection (2A) including the evidence required of domestic abuse, and
 - (b) the training of local authority officials in matters relevant to the exercise of the duties of local authorities under subsection (2A).
- (2AC) Before issuing the guidance the Secretary of State must consult such persons and the representatives of such persons as he or she considers appropriate.
- (2AD) Regulations under this section shall be made by statutory instrument and may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.”

After Clause 1

LORD KENNEDY OF SOUTHWARK

Insert the following new Clause—

“Duty to review cooperation between England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland

- (1) By the end of the period of six months, beginning with the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must publish a review into the potential for future cooperation between local authorities in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland in relation to the provisions of this Act.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must consider how it may be possible to extend the provisions of the Act to ensure that applications for secure tenancies in cases of domestic abuse—
 - (a) from Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland may be considered by local authorities in England;
 - (b) from England, Scotland or Northern Ireland may be considered by local authorities in Wales;
 - (c) from England, Wales or Northern Ireland may be considered by local authorities in Scotland; and
 - (d) from England, Wales or Scotland may be considered by local authorities in Northern Ireland.
- (3) The review must be laid before both Houses of Parliament.
- (4) In this section, “local authority” means—
 - (a) in relation to England, the council of a district, county or London borough, the Common Council of the City of London and the Council of the Isles of Scilly;
 - (b) in relation to Wales, the council of a county or county borough;
 - (c) in relation to Scotland, the council of a district or city;
 - (d) in relation to Northern Ireland, the council of a district, borough or city.”

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