

# Northern Ireland (Executive Formation) Bill

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## MANUSCRIPT AMENDMENTS

### TO BE MOVED ON REPORT

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Amendment  
No.

#### Clause 3

VISCOUNT HAILSHAM  
*As an amendment to Amendment 3*

- 3A★** At end insert “and in any event one such motion must be moved in each House by a Minister of the Crown between 17 and 31 October 2019 inclusive.”

#### Clause 8

LORD MORROW  
*As an amendment to Amendment 11*

- 11A★** Leave out subsection (6) and insert –
- “(6) The Secretary of State must, by regulations, make any provision that the Secretary of State considers appropriate in order to protect the ability to act in accordance with religious or other belief or opinion in relation to marriage or civil partnership (including the conversion of marriage into civil partnership and vice versa) and such regulations must, in particular, make provision equivalent or similar to that contained in or authorised by the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013.”
- 11B★** Page 6, line 5, at end insert –
- “(1A) Any regulations under this section must include provision –
- (a) prohibiting any person or religious body being compelled by any means (including by the enforcement of a contract or a statutory or other legal requirement) to –
    - (i) conduct a same-sex marriage,
    - (ii) be present at, carry out, or otherwise participate in, a same-sex marriage,
    - (iii) consent to a same-sex marriage being conducted, or
    - (iv) permit premises to be used for a same-sex marriage ceremony,if the marriage is to be solemnised according to the rites of a religion;
  - (b) prohibiting discrimination claims against a person or religious body for refusing to do anything listed within paragraph (a);

**Clause 8 - continued**

- (c) prohibiting discrimination claims in relation to employment for the purposes of an organised religion where a person refuses to employ or otherwise appoint a person married to a person of the same sex;
  - (d) protecting freedom for discussion or criticism of marriage which concerns the sex of the parties to marriage, including urging persons to refrain from marrying a person of the same sex;
  - (e) requiring the Secretary of State to issue statutory guidance supporting freedom of expression and freedom of conscience in educational institutions in relation to beliefs about the definition of marriage.
- (1B) Provision made under subsection (1A) must provide no less protection for freedom of expression and freedom of religion than applies in England and Wales.”

**After Clause 9**

LORD MORROW

20A★ Insert the following new Clause –

**“Definition of Victim**

- (1) The Secretary of State must make regulations to change the definition of “victim” in Article 3 of the Victims and Survivors (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/2953 (N.I. 17)) to apply only to a person who is injured or affected wholly by the actions of another person.
- (2) Regulations under this section must be in force no later than 21 October 2019, subject to subsections (3) and (4).
- (3) A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (1) –
  - (a) must be laid before both Houses of Parliament;
  - (b) is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (4) If a Northern Ireland Executive is formed before the regulations under this section come into force, any regulations made under this section and any extant obligations arising under subsection (1) shall cease to have effect.”

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