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Require the Secretary of State to report on devolution in England.

**B**E 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 Devolution report**

- (1) Before 1 November each calendar year, the Secretary of State must lay a report before both Houses of Parliament setting out plans to devolve powers, including fiscal powers, to regions, cities and local authorities in England.
- (2) In preparing the report under subsection (1), the Secretary of State must consult such people as he or she deems appropriate, including local authorities (as defined in section 103 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009), and in particular metropolitan combined authorities, and their representative bodies.

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**2 Extent, commencement and short title**

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- (1) The Act extends to England and Wales.
- (2) This Act comes into force on the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act may be cited as the Devolution in England Act 2020.

# Devolution in England Bill [HL]

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*Baroness Janke*

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