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Provide for a consultation on the introduction of a Duty to Plan requiring Category 1 responders to plan for terrorist threats and requiring those responsible for places to which the public have access to consider the vulnerability of those places to attack and take measures to mitigate any such vulnerability.

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 Consultation on the introduction of a Duty to Plan

- (1) The Secretary of State must carry out a consultation with persons referred to in section 2 on the matters referred to in section 3.
- (2) The Secretary of State must lay a report of the consultation before each House of Parliament before the end of the period of six months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed. 5
- (3) The report referred to in subsection (2) must set out what plans the Secretary of State has to propose legislation on the matters referred to in section 3.

2 Consultation on the introduction of a Duty to Plan: consultees

- (1) Under section 1(1) the persons to be consulted are organisations that in the view of the Secretary of State are representative of— 10
 - (a) Category 1 responders, including but not limited to local authorities and emergency services;
 - (b) entertainment venues;
 - (c) sporting venues; 15
 - (d) businesses whose premises are open to the public;
 - (e) places of education;
 - (f) places of worship;
 - (g) victims of terrorist violence;

- (h) bodies that license or regulate any of the types of venue or place listed in this subsection; or
any other persons the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- (2) In this Act, “Category 1 responders” has the meaning given by Parts 1 to 2A of Schedule 1 to the Civil Contingencies Act 2004. 5

3 Matters to be consulted on in respect of the introduction of a Duty to Plan

In carrying out the consultation under section 1(1), the Secretary of State must consult on the practicability and desirability of—

- (a) placing a duty on Category 1 responders to plan for the threat of terrorism; 10
- (b) making it a requirement that persons responsible for places to which the public have access should take advice and training on how best to protect the public from terrorist violence;
- (c) making it a requirement that persons responsible for places to which the public have access should conduct assessments of the vulnerability of those places to terrorist violence; 15
- (d) making it a requirement that persons responsible for places to which the public have access should have a mitigation plan for any vulnerabilities identified by the assessments referred to in paragraph (c) and a counter-terrorism plan. 20

4 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 Duty to Plan for Terrorism (Consultation) Act 2020. 25

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