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## DRAFT MODERN SLAVERY ACT 2015 (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) (NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2015

*Wednesday 16 December 2015*

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*Chair:* GRAHAM STRINGER

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[GRAHAM STRINGER *in the Chair*]

### **Draft Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Consequential Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2015**

8.55 am

**The Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department (Karen Bradley):** I beg to move,

That the Committee has considered the draft Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Consequential Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2015.

It is a pleasure to serve under your chairmanship, Mr Stringer. The draft regulations, which were laid before the House on 18 November, make a series of consequential amendments to other primary legislation

to ensure that the Modern Slavery Act 2015 will work as Parliament intended and that no protections for victims present in other legislation are inadvertently lost as we start to use the new Act. Where appropriate, because the legislative context is not limited to sexual offences, we are using the regulations to extend protections that were previously available only to some modern slavery victims to all victims of slavery and trafficking under the Act. The regulations make a number of amendments that are quite technical in nature. I therefore propose not to detain the Committee on the technical details; rather, I simply commend them to the Committee.

8.56 am

**Sarah Champion** (Rotherham) (Lab): It is a pleasure to serve under your chairmanship, Mr Stringer, even if only briefly. As the Minister has said, the regulations make consequential amendments, and I have nothing more to add.

*Question put and agreed to.*

8.56 am

*Committee rose.*