# Schools Bill [HL]

## AMENDMENT

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# ON REPORT

#### After Clause 67

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After Clause 67, insert the following new Clause -

#### **"British values**

- (1) In any statement relating to British values for education purposes at primary and secondary level in England and Wales, the Secretary of State, OFSTED and any other public authority must include
  - (a) democracy,
  - (b) the rule of law,
  - (c) freedom,
  - (d) equal respect for every person, and
  - (e) respect for the environment.
- (2) Any statement under subsection (1) must refer to British values as "values of British citizenship".
- (3) The values listed under subsection (1)(a) to (1)(e) must be taught as part of citizenship, at the first to fourth key stages.
- (4) In section (1)(a) "democracy" includes
  - (a) an independent judiciary,
  - (b) in a Parliamentary system, a Government that is accountable to Parliament,
  - (c) regular elections, and
  - (d) decentralised decision-making, accountable at an appropriate level to the electorate.
- (5) In subsection (1)(c) "freedom" includes
  - (a) freedom of thought, conscience and religion,
  - (b) freedom of expression, and
  - (c) freedom of assembly and association.
- (6) In subsection (1)(e) "respect for the environment" means taking into account the systemic effect of human actions on the health and sustainability of the

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environment both within the United Kingdom and over the planet as a whole, for present and future generations."

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