Energy Bill [HL]

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After Clause 229

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After Clause 229, insert the following new Clause -

"Noise and vibration standards for hydraulic fracturing

- (1) After subsection 4A(8) of the Petroleum Act 1988 insert the following new subsections-
- (2) (9) Any consent granted to a licensee may only impose conditions relating to noise and vibration to the extent required to ensure compliance with BS 5228 as published (and not withdrawn) from time to time by the British Standards Institute.
- (3) (10) In subsection (9) a consent includes-
 - (a) a well consent;
 - (b) a hydraulic fracturing consent;
 - (c) an environmental permit; and
 - (d) a relevant planning permission.
- (4) (11) The respective powers of the Secretary of State and the Welsh Ministers to make regulations under this Part are subject to subsection (9)."

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would prevent the Secretary of State from adding noise and vibration conditions to an hydraulic fracturing consent or associated permissions more restrictive than the relevant British Standard requires.

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