

# Social Housing (Regulation) Bill [HL]

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**Before Clause 17**

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LORD BOURNE OF ABERYSTWYTH  
LORD FOSTER OF BATH

Before Clause 17, insert the following new Clause –

**“Standards relating to energy demand**

- (1) In section 193 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (standards relating to consumer matters), subsection (2), at end insert –
  - “(k) energy demand.
  - (2A) In setting standards relating to energy demand, the regulator shall have regard to the Government’s strategy on reducing energy demand for social housing properties.”
- (2) The Secretary of State must, before the end of the period of 12 months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed, publish a strategy on reducing energy demand for social housing properties, to include but not limited to the following –
  - (a) achieving a low-carbon heat target, of 100% of installations of relevant heating appliances in social housing properties being low-carbon by 1 January 2035;
  - (b) achieving an energy-efficiency target, of all social housing properties attaining a minimum EPC C rating by 2028;
  - (c) interim targets relating to the targets in paragraphs (a) and (b) at not less than three-yearly intervals;
  - (d) a programme to support registered social housing providers in engaging with each other, the regulator and a source of advice provided by the Government to encourage energy demand reduction.
- (3) The Secretary of State must, in developing the Government’s strategy on reducing energy demand for social housing properties, consult the Climate Change Committee and its sub-committee on adaptation.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This new clause requires the Secretary of State to publish a Social Housing Energy Demand Reduction Strategy to provide for delivery of low carbon heat and energy efficiency targets for social housing properties.*



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