

Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill

AMENDMENTS
TO BE MOVED
IN GRAND COMMITTEE

Clause 3

LORD MOYLAN

Page 6, line 13, at end insert—

“A6A Duties relating to funding from UK Research and Innovation

Where any funding or support having a direct or indirect financial benefit is made to any registered higher education provider by any research council of UK Research and Innovation—

- (a) the grantor, and
- (b) the registered higher education provider,

must not abridge in any manner the right to freedom of speech of any person, whether natural or legal, who carries out work or research under the benefit.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment is intended to ensure that UK Research and Innovation must act to protect free speech in higher education in the discharge of their duties.

Page 6, line 13, at end insert—

“A6A Duties relating to donations

Where any donation or sponsorship is given to any registered higher education provider by any person, whether natural or legal, other than by way of commercial contract for goods or services—

- (a) the person, and
- (b) the registered higher education provider,

must not abridge in any manner the right to freedom of speech of any person, whether natural or legal, who carries out work or research under the benefit.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment is to ensure that donations to registered higher education providers may not carry conditions that abridge freedom of speech.

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