

Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill

AMENDMENTS
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Clause 59

LORD BACH
LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

The above-named Lords give notice of their intention to oppose the Question that Clause 59 stand part of the Bill.

Member's explanatory statement

The amendment would remove Clause 59 with its provisions allowing the functions of a Police and Crime Commissioner to be conferred on a mayor without the consent of all the local authorities within a combined authority area.

After Clause 70

BARONESS SCOTT OF NEEDHAM MARKET

After Clause 70, insert the following new Clause—

“Power to pay grant to parish councils

- (1) The Local Government Act 2003 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 33 (expenditure grant: interpretation), in subsection (1) after paragraph (m) insert—

“(n) a parish council.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new Clause would add parish councils to the list of local authorities in England to whom a Minister of the Crown may pay a grant towards expenditure incurred or to be incurred by the authority.

BARONESS SCOTT OF NEEDHAM MARKET

After Clause 70, insert the following new Clause –

“Financial assistance to church or other religious bodies

In the Local Government Act 1894, omit sections 6 (transfer of certain powers of vestry and other authorities to parish council) and 8 (additional powers of parish council).”

Member's explanatory statement

This new Clause would clarify the powers of parish councils to provide financial assistance to church or other religious bodies' buildings.

Clause 76

BARONESS HAYMAN OF ULLOCK

Clause 76, page 85, line 31, at end insert –

“(4A) The Secretary of State must by regulations make provision to ensure that, where a dwelling is occupied periodically as the result of a bereavement, higher council tax is not charged for at least two years.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would extend the period of time people would have to make arrangements for their property following a bereavement.

After Clause 77

LORD MOYLAN

After Clause 77, insert the following new Clause –

“Traffic emission road charging schemes

- (1) This section relates to schemes under which drivers are charged for using roads within a specified zone (affected roads) according to the traffic emissions of the vehicle concerned.
- (2) A devolved authority may only introduce such a scheme if, before the scheme is introduced, consent to the introduction of the scheme is granted by all local authorities which have affected roads within their boundaries.
- (3) In considering whether to grant consent under subsection (2), the relevant local authorities must have regard to their duties in relation to air quality under section 83A of the Environment Act 1995 (duties of English local authorities in relation to designated areas).
- (4) Where consent is sought under subsection (2), the question of whether to grant consent must be considered by the relevant local authority in full Council.

- (5) Where such a scheme has been introduced by a devolved authority before the coming into force of this section, the devolved authority must request consent to the continuation of the scheme from all local authorities which have affected roads within their boundaries.
- (6) In considering whether to grant consent under subsection (5), the relevant local authorities must have regard to their duties in relation to air quality under section 83A of the Environment Act 1995 (duties of English local authorities in relation to designated areas).
- (7) Where consent is sought under subsection (5), the question of whether to grant consent must be considered by the relevant local authority in full Council.
- (8) Where consent is sought under subsection (5) and not granted, the devolved authority must cease to implement the scheme within three months of the decision not to grant consent.
- (9) In this section –
 - “devolved authority” means –
 - (a) Transport for London,
 - (b) the Mayor of London, or
 - (c) the Mayor of a Combined Authority;
 - “local authority” means –
 - (a) a district council,
 - (b) a county council, or
 - (c) a London borough council.”

After Clause 123

LORD YOUNG OF COOKHAM

After Clause 123, insert the following new Clause –

“Short-term rental properties: planning control

- (1) The Secretary of State must make regulations under this section governing changes of use of dwellinghouses used as sole or main residences to short-term rental properties in England.
- (2) The regulations must make provision –
 - (a) for short-term rental properties to be a distinct use class from dwellinghouses used as sole or main residences;
 - (b) for changes of use between dwellinghouses used as sole or main residences, and short-term rental properties, to be permitted development; and
 - (c) for a relevant planning permission for change of use to be a condition of registration of a short-term rental property under section 210(5) of this Act (registration of short-term rental properties).
- (3) In this section “short-term rental property” has the meaning given by section 210 of this Act.”

Member's explanatory statement

The amendment introduces a new use for dwellinghouses enabling local authorities to maintain the stock of long-term rental properties in their area.

Clause 210

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 210, page 241, line 25, leave out “requiring or permitting” and insert “permitting a local planning authority at its discretion to undertake”

Member's explanatory statement

This and certain other amendments in the name of Lord Moylan probe the Government's intentions as to the detailed character and implementation of the proposed register of properties available for short-term letting.

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 210, page 241, line 33, at end insert –

“(iv) for a period of no less than 90 days in a calendar year, and”

Member's explanatory statement

This and certain other amendments in the name of Lord Moylan probe the Government's intentions as to the detailed character and implementation of the proposed register of properties available for short-term letting.

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 210, page 241, line 36, at end insert –

“(2A) Nothing in this section applies to accommodation consisting of a room or rooms in a dwelling occupied by the host as their sole or primary home.”

Member's explanatory statement

This and certain other amendments in the name of Lord Moylan probe the Government's intentions as to the detailed character and implementation of the proposed register of properties available for short-term letting.

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 210, page 243, line 1, at end insert “but any fees or other charges must be set so as to aim to achieve an overall income no greater than the cost to the local planning authority of administering the registration scheme”

Member's explanatory statement

This and certain other amendments in the name of Lord Moylan probe the Government's intentions as to the detailed character and implementation of the proposed register of properties available for short-term letting.

After Clause 214

BARONESS HAYMAN
BARONESS SHEEHAN
LORD BOURNE OF ABERYSTWYTH

After Clause 214, insert the following new Clause –

“Solar panel requirements for new homes and buildings

The Secretary of State must, within the period of six months beginning on the day this Act is passed, exercise the power under section 1 of the Building Act 1984 (power to make building regulations) to make building regulations, including appropriate exemptions, for the purpose of requiring that all new homes and buildings built in England on or after 1 April 2025 must have solar panels installed.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new Clause would require new homes and buildings in England from 1 April 2025 to have solar panels.

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