

# National Security Bill

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**Clause 14**

LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Clause 14, page 13, line 10, leave out from “department” to end of line 12 and insert –

- “(aa) a Northern Ireland Minister, the First Minister in Northern Ireland, the deputy First Minister in Northern Ireland, a person appointed as a junior Minister under section 19 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, a Northern Ireland department or the Executive Committee of the Northern Ireland Assembly,
- (ab) the Scottish Ministers or the First Minister for Scotland,
- (ac) the Welsh Ministers, the First Minister for Wales or the Counsel General to the Welsh Government, or”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment and Lord Sharpe's other amendments to clause 14 clarify the persons whose decisions are caught by clause 14(1)(d), and are needed to avoid giving a meaning to the terms “Scottish Ministers”, “Welsh Ministers” and “Northern Ireland Minister” that is different to the meaning of those terms given in the devolution Acts.*

LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Clause 14, page 13, leave out lines 37 and 38

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment is consequential on Lord Sharpe's amendment to clause 14(4).*

LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Clause 14, page 14, leave out lines 3 and 4

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment is consequential on Lord Sharpe's amendment to clause 14(4).*

### Clause 71

LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Clause 71, page 52, line 5, leave out from “department” to end of line 6 and insert –

- “(ii) a Northern Ireland Minister, the First Minister in Northern Ireland, the deputy First Minister in Northern Ireland, a person appointed as a junior Minister under section 19 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, a Northern Ireland department or the Executive Committee of the Northern Ireland Assembly,
- (iii) the Scottish Ministers or the First Minister for Scotland, or
- (iv) the Welsh Ministers, the First Minister for Wales or the Counsel General to the Welsh Government,”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment and Lord Sharpe's other amendments to clause 71 clarify the persons whose decisions are caught by clause 71(2)(b), and are needed to avoid giving a meaning to the terms “Scottish Ministers”, “Welsh Ministers” and “Northern Ireland Minister” that is different to the meaning of those terms given in the devolution Acts.*

LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Clause 71, page 52, leave out lines 17 and 18

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment is consequential on Lord Sharpe's amendment to clause 71(3).*

LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Clause 71, page 52, leave out lines 22 and 23

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment is consequential on Lord Sharpe's amendment to clause 71(3).*

### Schedule 14

LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Schedule 14, page 186, line 33, leave out from “Minister” to end and insert “, the First Minister in Northern Ireland, the deputy First Minister in Northern Ireland or a person appointed as a junior Minister under section 19 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment clarifies which office-holders in Northern Ireland, to whom a communication is sent, are caught by Schedule 14, and is consequential (in part) on Lord Sharpe's amendment to clause 71(5).*

## LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Schedule 14, page 186, line 34, leave out paragraphs 3 and 4 and insert –

- “3 The First Minister for Scotland, a Minister appointed under section 47 of the Scotland Act 1998 or a junior Scottish Minister.
- 4 The First Minister for Wales, a Welsh Minister appointed under section 48 of the Government of Wales Act 2006, the Counsel General to the Welsh Government or a Deputy Welsh Minister appointed under section 50 of that Act.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment clarifies which office-holders in Scotland and Wales, to whom a communication is sent, are caught by Schedule 14, and is consequential (in part) on Lord Sharpe's amendment to clause 71(5).*

**Title**

## LORD SHARPE OF EPSOM

Title, line 4, leave out “principals” and insert “powers”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment to the long title is consequential on amendments made to Part 4 of the Bill on Report.*

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