

Online Safety Bill

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[Supplementary to the Marshalled List]

After Clause 11

LORD STOREY

Insert the following new Clause—

“Duties on providers of video game services

- (1) This section sets out duties that apply in relation to providers of video game services.
- (2) A duty to secure that any video game provided in a service has a classification certificate issued by the video works authority.
- (3) In this section—

“video game service” means a regulated user-to-user service which predominantly consists of a means to play video games through the service;

“video works authority” has the meaning given by section 4ZA of the Video Recordings Act 1984 (designated authorities for video games and other video works).”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment, and another to Clause 119, seek to ensure that all online games are subject to the same BBFC classification as films, and that this should be subject to OFCOM regulation.

Clause 119

LORD STOREY

Page 102, line 4, at end insert—

“Section (*Duties on providers of video game services*)

Video games”

Clause 119 - continued***Member's explanatory statement***

See explanatory statement to Lord Storey's amendment after Clause 11.

Clause 170

BARONESS FOX OF BUCKLEY

Page 145, line 26, at end insert—

“(7A) Subsection (2) applies in relation to judgements by providers about whether content falls under section 12(9) and, in making such judgements, the approach to be followed is whether a provider has reasonable grounds to infer that content is content of the kind in question.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment specifies that in judging what content is to be filtered after a user has switched on various filters, as per the user empowerment duties at clause 12, providers act reasonably.

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