Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill

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Clause 101

LORD ETHERTON

Clause 101, page 61, line 9 at end insert—

"(7) In Section 47B(1) of the Competition Act 1998, after "proceedings" insert "or to which section 101 of the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2025 applies ("rights to enforce requirements of this Part")".

(8) The Secretary of State must, within twelve months of the coming into force of subsection (7), carry out a review to determine which other claims may be appropriate for collective proceedings."

Member's explanatory statement
This amendment would enable consumers to bring collective proceedings where there has been a breach of a requirement specified in clause 101 of the Bill and would also require the Secretary of State to conduct a review in order to ascertain whether there are any other types of claim appropriate for collective proceedings.

Schedule 19

LORD LUCAS

Schedule 19, page 362, line 11, at end insert ", excluding university courses"

Member's explanatory statement
Without this, it might not be possible to market university courses to school pupils.

After Clause 306

LORD ETHERTON

After Clause 306, insert the following new Clause—

"Review of ADR provision

(1)   The Secretary of State must, after consultation with persons they consider appropriate, within 12 months of the commencement of this Chapter complete a review of the provision of ADR in relation to consumer contract disputes in each relevant economic sector.

(2)   The Secretary of State must publish a report stating what steps they intend to take to ensure the provision in each sector of accessible and affordable ADR for the resolution of consumer contract disputes."

Member's explanatory statement
This amendment requires the Secretary of State to undertake a review of the availability of accessible and affordable ADR for resolving consumer contract disputes.

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