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Schedule 5

LORD BETHELL

Schedule 5, page 146, line 35, at end insert –

“(d) persons designated by the Secretary of State as the responsible authority under Section 4(1) of the Video Recordings Act 1984;”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment ensures that the British Board of Film Classification is consulted by OFCOM when drawing up the Video on Demand codes.

After Clause 51

BARONESS STOWELL OF BEESTON

After Clause 51, insert the following new Clause –

“Review: impact of this Act on the ownership of UK broadcasters

- (1) Within one year of the passing of this Act, the Secretary of State must publish a review of the impact of provisions in this Act on the ownership of UK broadcasters, including their ownership by a foreign power.
- (2) The Secretary of State must consult such persons they consider appropriate in preparing the review under subsection (1).
- (3) The review under subsection (1) must be laid before both Houses of Parliament for debate.
- (4) A foreign power for these purposes of subsection (1) has the same meaning as in Section 70E of the Enterprise Act 2002 inserted by Schedule 6 of the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to review of the impact of provisions in this Act on the ownership of UK broadcasters, including their ownership by a foreign power.

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