

[AS INTRODUCED]

A

B I L L

TO

Require the Secretary of State to publish an annual report on complications from abortions in England; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Annual report

- (1) The Secretary of State must publish and lay before Parliament an annual report on complications from the termination of pregnancy in England under the Abortion Act 1967 (“the annual report”).
- (2) The purpose of the annual report is to inform policy and safe practice regarding the termination of pregnancy. 5
- (3) The annual report must include data as recorded by both—
 - (a) the Abortion Notification System, and
 - (b) Hospital Episode Statistics.
- (4) The annual report must contain— 10
 - (a) the complication rate for the termination of pregnancy,
 - (b) the complication rate by the age of the woman,
 - (c) the complication rate by method of abortion and gestation,
 - (d) the complication rate by complication type, including complications arising from retained products of conception, and 15
 - (e) any other information the Secretary of State sees fit to include, covering an appropriate recurring period of 12 months to be determined by the Secretary of State.
- (5) The first annual report must be published within 12 months of the passing of this Act. 20

2 Extent, commencement and short title

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales.
- (2) This Act comes into force on the day on which it is passed.

- (3) This Act may be cited as the Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) Act 2024.

Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) Bill [HL]

[AS INTRODUCED]

A

B I L L

TO

Require the Secretary of State to publish an annual report on complications from abortions in England; and for connected purposes.

Lord Moylan

Ordered to be Printed, 3rd September 2024.

© Parliamentary copyright House of Lords 2024

*This publication may be reproduced under the terms of the Open Parliament Licence, which is published at
www.parliament.uk/site-information/copyright*

PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS