

# Crown Estate Bill [HL]

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**After Clause 2**

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BARONESS YOUNG OF OLD SCONE  
LORD TEVERSON  
LORD YOUNG OF COOKHAM

After Clause 2, insert the following new Clause—

**“Climate Change and Nature Duty of Crown Estate Commissioners**

- (1) The Crown Estate Act 1961 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (general provision about Crown Estate Commissioners), after subsection (3) insert—

**“1A Duty of the Commissioners to contribute to climate change and nature targets**

- (1) In complying with the general duty under section 1(3) and in exercising their functions the Commissioners must take all reasonable steps to contribute to—
  - (a) the achievement of targets set under Part 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008,
  - (b) the achievement of biodiversity targets set under sections 1 to 3 of the Environment Act 2021, and
  - (c) adapting to any current or predicted impacts of climate change identified in the most recent report under section 56 of the Climate Change Act 2008.
- (2) In carrying out the duty set under subsection (1), the Crown Estate Commissioners must include conditions in all seabed leases that require the leaseholder to contribute to the conservation and overall enhancement of the natural environment.””

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment would give the Crown Estate a new climate change and nature duty requiring it to take all reasonable steps to contribute to the achievement of the Climate Change Act 2008 and Environment Act 2021 targets in exercising its functions. The duty requires the inclusion of nature conservation measures in all seabed licences granted by the Crown Estate.*



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