Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill

AMENDMENTS TO BE MOVED IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

[Supplementary to the Marshalled List]

Amendment No.

Before Clause 1

LORD GASCOIGNE

A1★ Before Clause 1, insert the following new Clause –

"Purpose: improvement of passenger railway services

- (1) The purpose of this Act is to improve the performance of passenger railway services in the United Kingdom.
- (2) The Secretary of State must, in taking any actions under the provisions of this Act, have regard to this purpose."

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Secretary of State to have regard to the purpose of improving passenger railway services when taking any actions under the terms of this Act.

Clause 4

LORD GASCOIGNE

- **48A★** Clause 4, page 4, leave out line 16 and insert
 - (2) This section comes into force on the day on which this Act is passed.
 - (2A) Apart from this section, this Act will not come into force until the Secretary of State has produced a report assessing whether the operation of passenger rail services by public sector companies as opposed to private operators will improve the performance of those services.
 - (2B) The report made under subsection (2A) must consider
 - (a) timeliness of services,
 - (b) likely cancellations of services,
 - (c) passenger numbers on services, and

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- (d) the cost of fares.
- (2C) If the report made under subsection (2A) finds that passenger services will not be improved, this Act, other than this section, will not come into force."

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment ensures that the content of the Bill cannot come into effect unless a report regarding performance has been created.

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