

Great British Energy Bill

MARSHALLED
LIST OF AMENDMENTS
TO BE MOVED
ON REPORT

[Amendments marked ★ are new or have been altered]

**Amendment
No.**

After Clause 1

BARONESS NOAKES
LORD VAUX OF HARROWDEN

1 After Clause 1, insert the following new Clause—

“Objectives

Great British Energy’s objectives are—

- (a) to reduce energy costs in the United Kingdom in a sustainable way,
- (b) to enhance the United Kingdom’s energy security,
- (c) to increase the levels of clean energy generation in the United Kingdom,
and
- (d) to increase the availability of long-term energy storage infrastructure in the United Kingdom.”

Clause 3

BARONESS LIDDELL OF COATDYKE

2 Clause 3, page 2, line 13, after “encouraging” insert “investment in,”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment, along with others in the name of Baroness Liddell of Coatdyke, aims to broaden the definition of “clean energy” to include technologies that directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS) and low carbon hydrogen.

BARONESS LIDDELL OF COATDYKE

- 3 Clause 3, page 2, line 13, at end insert “one or more of”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, along with others in the name of Baroness Liddell of Coatdyke, aims to broaden the definition of "clean energy" to include technologies that directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS) and low carbon hydrogen.

BARONESS LIDDELL OF COATDYKE

- 4 Clause 3, page 2, line 15, after “reduction” insert “directly or indirectly,”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, along with others in the name of Baroness Liddell of Coatdyke, aims to broaden the definition of "clean energy" to include technologies that directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS) and low carbon hydrogen.

BARONESS LIDDELL OF COATDYKE

- 5 Clause 3, page 2, line 15, leave out “produced” and insert “derived”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, along with others in the name of Baroness Liddell of Coatdyke, aims to broaden the definition of "clean energy" to include technologies that directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS) and low carbon hydrogen.

BARONESS LIDDELL OF COATDYKE

- 6 Clause 3, page 2, line 18, after “ensuring” insert “directly or indirectly, in whole or in part,”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, along with others in the name of Baroness Liddell of Coatdyke, aims to broaden the definition of "clean energy" to include technologies that directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS) and low carbon hydrogen.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
BARONESS BLOOMFIELD OF HINTON WALDRIST

- 7★ Clause 3, page 2, line 18 at end insert –

“(e) the production of nuclear energy.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would amend Great British Energy’s objects to include the production of nuclear energy.

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH
EARL RUSSELL

- 8 Clause 3, page 2, line 18, at end insert –
“(including through projects involving or benefiting local communities).”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment clarifies that Great British Energy may facilitate, encourage and participate in the things mentioned in subsection (2)(a) to (d) through projects involving or benefiting local communities.

LORD WHITTY

As an amendment to Amendment 8

- 9★ After “communities” insert “and projects providing for workforce planning and training to ensure adequate jobs and skills in a fair transition to cleaner energy”

VISCOUNT TRENCHARD

- 10 Clause 3, page 2, line 20, after “means” insert “renewable energy, nuclear energy and”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would ensure that nuclear power is included within the definition of clean energy under this Bill.

BARONESS LIDDELL OF COATDYKE

- 11 Clause 3, page 2, line 20, after the second “energy” insert “and molecules”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, along with others in the name of Baroness Liddell of Coatdyke, aims to broaden the definition of "clean energy" to include technologies that directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS) and low carbon hydrogen.

BARONESS LIDDELL OF COATDYKE

- 12 Clause 3, page 2, line 20, after “than” insert “unabated”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, along with others in the name of Baroness Liddell of Coatdyke, aims to broaden the definition of "clean energy" to include technologies that directly or indirectly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as Carbon Capture, Utilisation & Storage (CCUS) and low carbon hydrogen.

BARONESS BOYCOTT
 BARONESS YOUNG OF OLD SCONE
 LORD RANDALL OF UXBRIDGE

- 13 Clause 3, page 2, line 21, at end insert “or biomass, as defined in section 100(3) of the Energy Act 2008”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would ensure that biomass energy production (defined as material, other than fossil fuel or peat, which is, or is derived directly or indirectly from, plant matter, animal matter, fungi or algae) was not within the definition of clean energy and so not within scope for GBE's potential investments.

After Clause 3

EARL RUSSELL
 BARONESS GRENDER

- 14★ After Clause 3, insert the following new Clause—

“Warm Homes Plan and emergency home insulation

- (1) The Secretary of State must accept any request from Great British Energy to have responsibility over the delivery and implementation of the Warm Homes Plan.
- (2) If Great British Energy makes a request under subsection (1), the Secretary of State must provide support to Great British Energy following the transference of responsibility.
- (3) If Great British Energy becomes responsible for the delivery and implementation of the Warm Homes Plan, that delivery must include an emergency home insulation programme which—
 - (a) provides targeted support for people on low incomes,
 - (b) seeks to achieve to the reduction of household energy bills, and
 - (c) contributes to the achievement of the United Kingdom's climate and environmental targets.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Government to transfer responsibility for the Warm Homes Plan to GBE should it be requested and further requires GBE to introduce an emergency home insulation programme that would seek to reduce household energy bills, and contribute to achieving climate and environmental targets.

Clause 4

LORD PETITGAS

15 Clause 4, page 2, line 37, at end insert –

“(2A) The maximum amount of financial assistance provided by the Secretary of State must not exceed £8.3 billion.”

LORD PETITGAS

16 Clause 4, page 2, line 37, at end insert –

“(2A) Financial assistance may only be provided under this section once approval has been given by His Majesty’s Treasury.”

EARL RUSSELL

17★ Clause 4, page 2, line 37, at end insert –

“(2A) Financial assistance will be no less than £8.3 billion over the course of the Parliament in which this Act is passed, and will include the granting of borrowing powers.”

Member's explanatory statement

This is a probing amendment intended to elicit a response from the Minister regarding Government commitments about GBE budget, its timeline for delivery, and to seek clarity surrounding the ability of GBE to borrow.

LORD ALTON OF LIVERPOOL
BARONESS KENNEDY OF THE SHAWS
LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
LORD TEVERSON

18 Clause 4, page 3, line 5, at end insert –

“(6) Financial assistance under this section must not be provided if there exists credible evidence of modern slavery in the energy supply chain of any company designated Great British Energy.”

BARONESS BENNETT OF MANOR CASTLE

19★ Clause 4, page 3, line 5, at end insert –

“(6) Financial assistance under this section must not be provided if there exists credible evidence of deforestation or human rights abuses in the energy supply chain of any company designated as Great British Energy.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is designed to ensure that financial assistance under this section is not provided if there exists credible evidence of deforestation or human rights abuses in the energy supply chain of any company designated as Great British Energy.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

20★ Clause 4, page 3, line 5, at end insert –

“(6) Within 12 months of the day on which this Act is passed, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of State must produce a report on all financial assistance provided to Great British Energy, and lay it before Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would require the Secretary of State to produce an annual report on financial assistance provided to Great British Energy.

Clause 5

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH
EARL RUSSELL

21 Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert –

“(1A) The Secretary of State must comply with subsection (1) within the period of six months beginning with the day on which this Act comes into force.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Secretary of State to prepare a statement of strategic priorities for Great British Energy within the period of six months beginning with the day on which this Act comes into force.

BARONESS BOYCOTT
BARONESS YOUNG OF OLD SCONE
LORD TEVERSON
BARONESS MCINTOSH OF PICKERING

22 Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert –

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include a priority to advance the production of clean energy from schemes owned, or part owned, by community organisations.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the advancement of community energy to be included in the strategic priorities.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL

23 Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert –

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include the reduction of household energy bills by £300 in real terms by 1 January 2030.”

Member's explanatory statement

This ensures that the statement of strategic priorities includes the reduction of household energy bills by £300 by 1 January 2030.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL

24 Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert –

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include the creation of 650,000 new jobs in the United Kingdom by 1 January 2030 resulting directly or indirectly from Great British Energy’s pursuit of its objects under section 3.”

Member's explanatory statement

This ensures that the statement of strategic priorities includes the creation of 650,000 new jobs in the UK by 1 January 2030.

EARL RUSSELL

25★ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert –

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include supporting the delivery of the Community Energy Fund.”

Member's explanatory statement

This is a probing amendment intended to elicit a response from the Minister regarding the Government’s intention surrounding the Community Energy Fund, specifically on its capital resourcing, level of uptake, and future continuation.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

26★ Clause 5, page 3, line 8, at end insert –

“(1A) The statement of strategic priorities under subsection (1) must include developing supply chains within the United Kingdom in the pursuit of Great British Energy’s objects under section 3 (objects).

(1B) In this section “supply chains” means the network of individuals, organisations, resources, activities and technology involved in the creation and sale of a commodity connected with Great British Energy’s objects under section 3.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the statement of strategic priorities to include developing supply chains within the United Kingdom.

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

- 27 Clause 5, page 3, line 12, leave out “consult the Scottish Ministers before including” and insert “not, without the consent of the Scottish Ministers, include”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, and my amendment at page 3, line 13, provide that the Secretary of State must not, without the consent of the Scottish Ministers, include in a statement of strategic priorities anything which concerns a matter provision about which would be within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

- 28 Clause 5, page 3, line 13, leave out “subject”

Member's explanatory statement

See the explanatory statement to my amendment at page 3, line 12.

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

- 29 Clause 5, page 3, line 16, leave out “consult the Welsh Ministers before including” and insert “not, without the consent of the Welsh Ministers, include”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, and my amendment at page 3, line 17, provide that the Secretary of State must not, without the consent of the Welsh Ministers, include in a statement of strategic priorities anything which concerns a matter provision about which would be within the legislative competence of the Senedd Cymru.

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

- 30 Clause 5, page 3, line 17, leave out “subject”

Member's explanatory statement

See the explanatory statement to my amendment at page 3, line 16.

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

- 31 Clause 5, page 3, line 20, leave out from “must” to “in” in line 21 and insert “not, without the consent of the Department for the Economy in Northern Ireland, include”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment, and my amendment at page 3, line 22, provide that the Secretary of State must not, without the consent of the Department for the Economy in Northern Ireland, include in a statement of strategic priorities anything which concerns a matter provision about which meets the conditions in subsection (6)(a) and (b).

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

- 32 Clause 5, page 3, line 22, leave out “subject”

Member's explanatory statement

See the explanatory statement to my amendment at page 3, line 20.

VISCOUNT TRENCHARD

- 33 Clause 5, page 3, line 27, at end insert –

“(6A) Prior to publishing a statement of strategic priorities for Great British Energy the Secretary of State must consult –
(a) Great British Nuclear, and
(b) the National Wealth Fund.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to consult Great British Nuclear and the National Wealth Fund before publishing a statement of strategic priorities for Great British Energy.

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

- 34 Clause 5, page 3, line 28, leave out subsection (7)

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is made in consequence of my other amendments to this Clause.

Clause 6LORD BERKELEY
LORD TEVERSON

- 35 Clause 6, page 3, line 38, at end insert –

“(1A) The Secretary of State must give a specific direction to Great British Energy that, in meeting its objects under section 3, it must give full consideration to properties which are not connected to the gas grid and the value of renewable liquid fuels in meeting those objects.

(1B) The direction must require Great British Energy to publish a report to assess the potential benefits to consumers of implementing a renewable liquid heating fuel obligation under section 159 of the Energy Act 2023.

- (1C) A report under subsection (1B) must be made within three months of the day on which this Act is passed.
- (1D) The Secretary of State must lay a report made under subsection (1B) before Parliament.
- (1E) The Secretary of State must implement section 159(3) of the Energy Act 2023 (renewable liquid heating fuel obligations: consultation) within three months of receiving the report.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would introduce a specific strategic priority for Great British Energy to work with the Government to consider the specific energy-related issues of households off the gas grid. The amendment requires the Secretary of State to exercise powers under the Energy Act 2023 to undertake a consultation on the introduction of a renewable liquid heating fuel obligation.

VISCOUNT TRENCHARD

36 Clause 6, page 3, line 38, at end insert –

- “(1A) The Secretary of State must give a specific direction to Great British Energy that it must consult with Great British Nuclear prior to investing in the production, storage and supply of nuclear energy.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to give a specific direction to Great British Energy that it must consult with Great British Nuclear.

Clause 7

LORD VAUX OF HARROWDEN
BARONESS NOAKES
VISCOUNT TRENCHARD

37 Clause 7, page 4, line 10, at end insert –

- “(1A) In addition to complying with section 441 of the Companies Act 2006, the accounts and reports must include such other information as the Treasury may require, including –
- (a) information on financial assistance received in accordance with section 4,
 - (b) information on any investments made or partnerships entered into,
 - (c) an assessment of how those investments or partnerships meet the objectives and strategic priorities of Great British Energy, and
 - (d) an assessment of the extent to which those investments or partnerships have encouraged additional investment by the private sector.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would add further requirements to be included in the annual report and accounts of the company, including flexibility for the Treasury to define additional requirements.

After Clause 7

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH
BARONESS HAYMAN
EARL RUSSELL

38 After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause –

“Sustainable development

Great British Energy must keep under review the impact of its activities on the achievement of sustainable development in the United Kingdom.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires Great British Energy to keep under review the impact of its activities on the achievement of sustainable development in the United Kingdom.

LORD FROST
VISCOUNT TRENCHARD

39 After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause –

“The Chair of Great British Energy

- (1) The Chair of Great British Energy may not be appointed until the appointment has been scrutinised by the –
 - (a) Treasury Committee of the House of Commons, or any successor committee, and
 - (b) Energy Security and Net Zero Committee of the House of Commons, or any successor committee.
- (2) The Chair of Great British Energy must undergo an annual review on their performance and this review must be –
 - (a) carried out by external auditors;
 - (b) submitted to the Secretary of State and laid before Parliament.”

BARONESS MCINTOSH OF PICKERING
LORD TEVERSON
BARONESS BENNETT OF MANOR CASTLE

40 After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause –

“Duty of Great British Energy to meet environmental criteria

Great British Energy must, in the exercise of its functions, and when delivering the objects in section 3 and statement of strategic priorities in section 5 of this Act, take all reasonable steps to contribute to the achievement of environmental targets set under the Environment Act 2021.”

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL

41 After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Return on investments

- (1) The Secretary of State must give a specific direction to Great British Energy that it must achieve a 10% minimum return on its investments annually.
- (2) Great British Energy must report to the Secretary of State on its in-year rate of return on investment.
- (3) A report under subsection (2) must be made within two years of the day on which this Act is passed, and annually thereafter.
- (4) The Secretary of State must lay any report made under subsection (2) before Parliament.
- (5) The Secretary of State may vary the provision in subsection (1) by regulations made by statutory instrument.
- (6) A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (5) may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would require of Great British Energy that on its investments annually it must achieve a 10 per cent minimum return.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
VISCOUNT TRENCHARD

42 After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Review of effective delivery

- (1) The Secretary of State must appoint an independent person to carry out reviews of the effectiveness of Great British Energy in—
 - (a) delivering its objects under section 3,
 - (b) meeting its strategic priorities under section 5, and
 - (c) complying with any directions given under section 6.
- (2) The independent person must, as soon as is reasonably practicable after the completion of the review—
 - (a) prepare a report of the review, and
 - (b) submit the report to the Secretary of State.
- (3) The independent person must submit to the Secretary of State—
 - (a) the first report under this section within 12 months of the day on which this Act is passed, and
 - (b) subsequent reports at intervals of no more than 12 months thereafter.

- (4) On receiving the report, the Secretary of State must, as soon as is reasonably practicable in each case—
 - (a) publish the report,
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before Parliament, and
 - (c) prepare and lay before Parliament a response to the report’s findings.
- (5) In this section, references to an “independent person” are to a person who appears to the Secretary of State to be independent of—
 - (a) the Secretary of State, and
 - (b) Great British Energy.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would require that the Secretary of State appoints an independent person to review the effectiveness of Great British Energy in delivering its objects, meeting its strategic priorities, and complying with its directions.

LORD VAUX OF HARROWDEN
VISCOUNT TRENCHARD

43 After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Reviews of Great British Energy’s effectiveness and impact

- (1) The Chancellor of the Exchequer must appoint an independent person to carry out reviews of—
 - (a) the effectiveness of Great British Energy in delivering its strategic priorities, and
 - (b) the extent to which its investments in particular projects or types of project have encouraged additional investment in those projects or types of project by the private sector.
- (2) After each review, the independent person must—
 - (a) prepare a report of the review, and
 - (b) submit the report to the Treasury.
- (3) On receiving a report, the Treasury must—
 - (a) publish the report, and
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before Parliament.
- (4) The first report must be submitted to the Treasury within the period of 3 years beginning with the day on which this Act comes into force.
- (5) Subsequent reports must be submitted to the Treasury at intervals of not more than 3 years.
- (6) In this section, references to an “independent person” are to a person who appears to the Chancellor of the Exchequer to be independent of—
 - (a) the Treasury, and
 - (b) Great British Energy.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require an independent review of the effectiveness of Great British Energy in achieving its objectives and the extent to which it has encouraged private investment every 3 years.

BARONESS BOYCOTT

44 After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Biomass power generation

- (1) Within six months of the day on which this Act is passed, Great British Energy must publish a plan for its use of biomass power generation and an assessment of the impact that will have on decarbonisation and supply security of the energy sector.
- (2) Factors in that assessment must include—
 - (a) the extent to which Great British Energy’s use of biomass power generation will contribute to achieving Clean Power 2030,
 - (b) the sustainability of Great British Energy’s intended use of biomass power generation, including a plan for compliance with sustainability requirements,
 - (c) the impact of Great British Energy’s use of biomass power generation on the UK’s achievement of relevant targets under the Climate Change Act 2008 and the Environment Act 2021, and the UK’s international obligations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Convention on Biological Diversity,
 - (d) the extent to which Great British Energy’s use of biomass power generation industry will be carbon neutral, and
 - (e) the extent to which Great British Energy’s use of biomass power generation will support the UK’s energy supply security.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require GBE to carry out an assessment of its use of, and impacts on, sustainable biomass and its compliance with the UK’s legally binding targets and international obligations.

LORD VAUX OF HARROWDEN
BARONESS NOAKES
LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL

45★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Reviews of Great British Energy’s effectiveness and impact

- (1) The Secretary of State must appoint an independent person to carry out reviews of—
 - (a) the effectiveness of Great British Energy in delivering its strategic priorities, and

- (b) the extent to which its investments in particular projects or types of project have encouraged additional investment in those projects or types of project by the private sector.
- (2) After each review, the independent person must –
 - (a) prepare a report of the review, and
 - (b) submit the report to the Secretary of State.
- (3) On receiving a report, the Secretary of State must –
 - (a) publish the report, and
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before Parliament.
- (4) The first report must be submitted to the Secretary of State within the period of 3 years beginning with the day on which this Act comes into force.
- (5) Subsequent reports must be submitted to the Secretary of State at intervals of not more than 3 years.
- (6) In this section, references to an “independent person” are to a person who appears to the Secretary of State to be independent of –
 - (a) the Department of Energy and Net Zero, and
 - (b) Great British Energy.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require an independent review of the effectiveness of Great British Energy in achieving its objectives and the extent to which it has encouraged private investment every 3 years.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

46★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause –

“Impact assessment on erection of pylons

- (1) Great British Energy must assess the potential impact of the erection of pylons which occurs under or in support of its functions on –
 - (a) local communities, and
 - (b) the environment.
- (2) If the assessment under subsection (1) determines that the erection of pylons –
 - (a) will cause significant harm to local communities, or
 - (b) will cause significant environmental damage
 Great British Energy must not facilitate, encourage or participate in the relevant activity.
- (3) Within 12 months of the day on which this Act is passed and annually thereafter, Great British Energy must produce an annual report on the impact of the erection of pylons used to support its activities on local communities and the environment, and lay all such reports before Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would require Great British Energy to assess and report on the impact on local communities and the environment of the erection of pylons used to support its activities.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

47★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Impact assessment of offshore wind energy installations and generation

- (1) The Secretary of State must assess the impact of offshore wind energy installations and generation which occur under Great British Energy’s functions on—
 - (a) the environment, and
 - (b) animal welfare.
- (2) If an assessment under subsection (1) determines that relevant offshore energy installation and generation is causing—
 - (a) environmental damage, or
 - (b) significant animal welfare issues,
 Great British Energy must cease facilitating, encouraging or participating in the relevant activity.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would require the Secretary of State to assess the impact on the environment and animal welfare of the installation and generation of offshore wind energy technologies.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

48★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Impact assessment of decommissioning of oil and gas structures

- (1) The Secretary of State must assess the impact of decommissioning offshore oil and gas structures which occurs under Great British Energy’s functions on—
 - (a) environmental, and
 - (b) animal welfare.
- (2) If an assessment under subsection (1) determines that relevant decommissioning of offshore oil and gas structures is causing
 - (a) environmental damage, or
 - (b) significant animal welfare issues,
 Great British Energy must cease facilitating, encouraging or participating in the relevant activity.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would require the Secretary of State to assess the impact of decommissioning offshore oil and gas structures which occur under Great British Energy's functions on the environment and animal welfare.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

49★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Restriction on borrowing

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations implement a limit on borrowing undertaken by Great British Energy.
- (2) Where Great British Energy has total borrowing exceeding the limit set by regulations made under subsection (1), Great British Energy may not make a payment of dividends, capital, assets, or interest to shareholders or controlling entities.
- (3) A statutory instrument containing regulations under this section may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would require the Secretary of State to limit borrowing undertaken by Great British Energy.

LORD FULLER

50★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Duty to meet national food security criteria

Great British Energy must, in the exercise of its functions and when delivering the objects in section 3 and statement of strategic priorities in section 5 of this Act, take all reasonable steps to prevent the use of agricultural land classified as grade 1, 2 or 3a for solar energy production.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require Great British Energy to take all reasonable steps to prevent the use of agricultural land classified as grade 1, 2 or 3a for solar energy production.

LORD FULLER

51★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause—

“Offshore energy

- (1) The Secretary of State must assess the impact of offshore energy installation and generation which occur under Great British Energy's functions on—

- (a) the environment, and
 - (b) animal welfare.
- (2) If the assessment under subsection (1) determines that the relevant offshore energy installation and generation is causing –
- (a) environmental damage, or
 - (b) significant animal welfare issues,
- Great British Energy must cease facilitating, encouraging or participating in the relevant activity.
- (3) For the purposes of this section “offshore energy installation” means any installation that is offshore for the purposes of energy generation, including wind, tidal and wave energy installations.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would require the Secretary of State to assess the impact on the environment and animal welfare of the installation and generation of offshore energy technologies and its associated cabling.

LORD FULLER

52★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause –

“Agricultural land protections

Great British Energy may not own agricultural land classified as grade 1, 2 or 3a.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would prevent Great British Energy from owning agricultural land graded 1, 2 or 3a, to protect the most productive and versatile land for food production.

LORD FULLER

53★ After Clause 7, insert the following new Clause –

“Consultation requirements

- (1) Agricultural land must not be developed by Great British Energy for the purpose of developing renewable energy installations and generation without conducting a public consultation on that development.
- (2) Any public consultation conducted under subsection (1) must consider the views of residents and those that work within 20 miles of the farthest extent of the proposed development.”

Member's explanatory statement

This would restrict Great British Energy from promoting or investing in schemes for the purpose of developing renewable energy installations and generation without consulting with the public, to protect the most productive and versatile land for food production.

Clause 8

LORD HAMILTON OF EPSOM

- 54★ Clause 8, page 4, line 15, leave out subsection (2) and insert –
- (2) This section comes into force on the day on which this Act is passed.
 - (2A) Other sections in this Act come into force on the day the Secretary of State publishes an assessment on the expected impact of this Act on the number of jobs in Aberdeen.”

LORD HAMILTON OF EPSOM

- 55★ Clause 8, page 4, line 15, leave out subsection (2) and insert –
- “(2) This section comes into force on the day on which this Act is passed.
 - (2A) Other sections in this Act come into force on the day the Secretary of State publishes a report on the cost and viability of the Government’s net zero targets.”

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

- 56★ Clause 8, page 4, line 15, leave out subsection (2) and insert –
- “(2) Sections 1 to 3, 5 to 7 and this section come into force on the day on which this Act is passed.
 - (2A) Section 4 comes into force on the day on which the Secretary of State lays a statement before Parliament defining the conditions referred to in section 4(3).”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would prevent section 4 coming into force until the Secretary of State has defined the conditions by which financial assistance may be provided to Great British Energy.

LORD OFFORD OF GARVEL
THE EARL OF EFFINGHAM

- 57★ Clause 8, page 4, line 15, leave out subsection (2) and insert –
- “(2) This section comes into force on the day on which this Act is passed.
 - (2A) Other sections in this Act come into force two months after a revised Financial Framework Document has been laid before Parliament and a Minister has tabled a motion for resolution on the Financial Framework Document in each House of Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the publication of a revised Financial Framework Document before the Act can come into force.

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