

Tobacco and Vapes Bill

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*Tabled up to and including
14 May 2025*

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Clause 1

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 1, page 1, line 5, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to remove the generational ban for tobacco products in England and Wales by raising the age of sale to 21.

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 1, page 1, line 13, leave out “born before 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

After Clause 1

LORD BETHELL

After Clause 1, insert the following new Clause—

“Complete prohibition of tobacco products from 2040

- (1) In addition to the prohibition in section 1 regarding individuals born on or after 1 January 2009, the sale of tobacco products to any person is prohibited in the United Kingdom from 1 January 2040.
- (2) All licences to sell tobacco and tobacco retail registrations will be invalid as of 00:01am on 1 January 2040.
- (3) The Secretary of State must, within 12 months of the day on which this Act is passed, lay before Parliament a strategy for—
 - (a) implementing the complete prohibition under subsection (1),
 - (b) supporting tobacco retailers and businesses in transitioning away from tobacco product sales,
 - (c) strengthening enforcement mechanisms to prevent illicit trade of tobacco products, and
 - (d) enhancing smoking cessation services to support individuals ahead of the 2040 prohibition.
- (4) The strategy under subsection (3) must include provision for a phased reduction in tobacco product availability beginning not later than 1 January 2030.
- (5) Nothing in this section affects the operation of section 1 of this Act, which applies to individuals born on or after 1 January 2009 regardless of the prohibition in subsection (1).”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment preserves the generational approach to phasing out tobacco while establishing a backstop date of 1 January 2040 for complete prohibition. The amendment also requires the Secretary of State to develop a comprehensive implementation strategy.

Clause 2

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 2, page 2, line 8, leave out “18” and insert “21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 2, page 2, line 9, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 2, page 2, line 14, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Clause 5

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 5, page 3, line 8, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Clause 6

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 6, page 3, line 30 leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

After Clause 6

EARL RUSSELL
BARONESS GREY-THOMPSON

After Clause 6, insert the following new Clause –

“Prohibition on plastic filters in cigarettes

- (1) The Secretary of State must by regulations make provision prohibiting the manufacture, supply, or sale of –
 - (a) plastic filters intended for use in cigarettes; and
 - (b) cigarettes containing plastic filters.
- (2) Regulations under this section must be laid before Parliament no later than the end of the period of six months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.
- (3) Regulations under this section may not be made unless a draft has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

- (4) In this section “plastic filter” means any cigarette filter that contains synthetic polymeric materials which are not biodegradable.”

After Clause 9

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE
BARONESS GREY-THOMPSON

After Clause 9, insert the following new Clause –

“Ban on manufacture of high-strength oral nicotine products

- (1) It is an offence to manufacture a high-strength oral nicotine product.
- (2) In this section “high-strength oral nicotine product” means a nicotine product that –
- (a) is intended for oral use,
 - (b) is not intended to be inhaled or chewed, and
 - (c) contains more than 20 milligrams of nicotine per portion.
- (3) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable –
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the general limit in a magistrates’ court, or a fine, or both;
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years, or a fine, or both.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment bans the manufacture of nicotine pouches containing more than 20mg of nicotine.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE
BARONESS GREY-THOMPSON

After Clause 9, insert the following new Clause –

“Ban on sales of high-strength oral nicotine products

- (1) It is an offence to –
- (a) sell a high-strength oral nicotine product, or
 - (b) offer or expose a high-strength oral nicotine product for sale.
- (2) In this section “high-strength oral nicotine product” has the same meaning as in section (*Ban on manufacture of high-strength oral nicotine products*).
- (3) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under this section to prove that they took all reasonable steps to avoid the commission of the offence.
- (4) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable –
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the general limit in a magistrates’ court, or a fine, or both;

- (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years, or a fine, or both.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment creates an offence of selling nicotine pouches containing more than 20mg of nicotine.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE
BARONESS GREY-THOMPSON

After Clause 9, insert the following new Clause –

“Possession of high-strength oral nicotine products with intent to supply

- (1) It is an offence for a person to have a high-strength oral nicotine product in their possession with intent to supply it to another in the course of business.
- (2) In this section “high-strength oral nicotine product” has the same meaning as in section *(Ban on manufacture of high-strength oral nicotine products)*.
- (3) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable –
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding the general limit in a magistrates’ court, or a fine, or both;
- (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years, or a fine, or both.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment makes it an offence to possess with intent to supply nicotine pouches containing more than 20mg of nicotine.

Clause 12

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 12, page 6, line 20, at end insert –

- “(4) Subsection (1) does not apply to the sale of vaping products from vending machines located within a hospital or other healthcare premises operated by a mental health trust, where the vending machine is –
- (a) situated in an age-restricted area accessible only to patients and staff aged 18 or over, and
- (b) operated as part of a tobacco dependency recovery service.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would allow vaping products to be sold from vending machines located in mental health trust premises or healthcare settings where the machines are part of a structured tobacco dependency treatment programme, and access is restricted to individuals aged 18 or over in order to support clinical interventions for smoking cessation and harm reduction in controlled healthcare environments.

After Clause 12

LORD LANSLEY

After Clause 12, insert the following new Clause—

“Requirement for retailers of vapes in England to include age-verification technology

- (1) The Secretary of State may make regulations making it an offence for a tobacco retailer who sells vapes on premises in England to sell vapes that do not contain approved age-gating technology.
- (2) The Secretary of State may by regulations specify the requirements with which any age-gating technology must comply, which must include (but need not be limited to)—
 - (a) the information, including biometric information, that a user must provide to the age-gating technology in order to be able to use the vape;
 - (b) the steps that the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity and that they are aged 18 or over before first activating the vape for use;
 - (c) the steps which the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity following activation of the vape, and the frequency with, and circumstances in, which the age-gating technology must require these steps to be taken;
 - (d) the requirements with which the age-gating technology must comply in order to ensure the security of the information, including personal data, provided to it by users;
 - (e) the technical specifications which the age-gating technology must meet in order to ensure that it is compatible with vapes made by different manufacturers.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by regulations under this section make further provision about requirements with which tobacco retailers must comply.
- (4) In this section, “age-gating technology” means technology designed to prevent the use of vaping products by persons aged under 18.
- (5) Before making regulations under this section the Secretary of State must consult any persons the Secretary of State considers it appropriate to consult.
- (6) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would introduce a requirement for retailers of vapes in England to include age-verification technology.

LORD LANSLEY

After Clause 12, insert the following new Clause –

“Requirement for retailers of vapes in Wales to include age-verification technology

- (1) The Welsh Ministers may make regulations making it an offence for a tobacco retailer who sells vapes on premises in Wales to sell vapes that do not contain approved age-gating technology.
- (2) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations specify the requirements, with which any age-gating technology must comply, which must include (but need not be limited to) –
 - (a) the information, including biometric information, that a user must provide to the age-gating technology in order to be able to use the vape;
 - (b) the steps that the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity and that they are aged 18 or over before first activating the vape for use;
 - (c) the steps which the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity following activation of the vape, and the frequency with, and circumstances in, which the age-gating technology must require these steps to be taken;
 - (d) the requirements with which the age-gating technology must comply in order to ensure the security of the information, including personal data, provided to it by users;
 - (e) the technical specifications which the age-gating technology must meet in order to ensure that it is compatible with vapes made by different manufacturers.
- (3) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations under subsection (2) make further provision about requirements with which tobacco retailers must comply.
- (4) In this section, “age-gating technology” means technology designed to prevent the use of vaping products by persons aged under 18.
- (5) Before making regulations under this section the Welsh Ministers must consult any persons that the Welsh Ministers consider it appropriate to consult.
- (6) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would introduce a requirement for retailers of vapes in Wales to include age-verification technology.

EARL RUSSELL

After Clause 12, insert the following new Clause –

“Minimum price for vaping products

- (1) In this section, “vaping product” means –
 - (a) a device intended to enable the inhalation of nicotine-containing vapour through a mouthpiece,
 - (b) a refill container designed to be used with such a device, or
 - (c) any component or accessory intended for use with a device within paragraph (a), including cartridges, tanks, and mouthpieces, whether or not the product contains nicotine.
- (2) A person must not sell, or offer for sale, any vaping product at a price lower than £30.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by regulations amend the minimum price specified in subsection (2).
- (4) Regulations under subsection (3) 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 amendment seeks to introduce a minimum retail price of £30 for vaping products in order to reduce affordability and limit access, particularly among children and young people.

EARL RUSSELL
BARONESS GREY-THOMPSON

After Clause 12, insert the following new Clause –

“Prohibition on the manufacture, supply and sale of pre-filled single-use vaping pods

- (1) A person must not manufacture, supply, or offer for sale any pre-filled nicotine pod intended and designated for use in a vaping product.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, a “pre-filled nicotine pod” means a sealed cartridge that –
 - (a) contains a nicotine-containing liquid,
 - (b) is not intended to be refilled or reused, and
 - (c) is designed for single use and disposal once the liquid is exhausted.
- (3) The prohibition in subsection (1) applies to –
 - (a) manufacturers, importers and retailers, and
 - (b) both physical and online sales and supply.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment prohibits the manufacture of reusable vapes which contained pre-filled nicotine pods.

VISCOUNT HANWORTH

After Clause 12, insert the following new Clause –

“Review: methods of age verification

- (1) Within twelve months of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must publish a review of age verification methods for individuals purchasing tobacco products, nicotine products and vapes.
- (2) In the review under subsection (1), the Secretary of State must consider –
 - (a) the effectiveness of point-of-sale age verification for purchasing tobacco products, nicotine products and vapes, and
 - (b) the potential use of electronic age verification technology in credit and debit cards used to purchase tobacco products, nicotine products and vapes.
- (3) In preparing the review under subsection (1), the Secretary of State must consult –
 - (a) retailers,
 - (b) banks and building societies, and
 - (c) any other such persons the Secretary of State considers appropriate or relevant.
- (4) The review under subsection (1) must be laid before both Houses of Parliament.”

Clause 13

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 13, page 7, line 12, leave out from first “consult” to end and insert “and take into consideration the view of –

- (a) retailers of relevant products or their representatives, and
- (b) any other person the Secretary of State considers it appropriate to consult.”

Clause 14

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 14, page 8, leave out line 2 and insert “and take into consideration the views of –

- (a) retailers of relevant products or their representatives, and
- (b) any other person the Welsh Ministers consider it appropriate to consult.”

After Clause 15

BARONESS NORTHOVER

After Clause 15, insert the following new Clause—

“Prohibition of free tobacco and vape samples

- (1) A person must not offer or provide a tobacco product or vaping product free of charge to any other person in the course of a business.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, a product is provided “free of charge” if it is—
 - (a) given without payment or for a nominal sum, or
 - (b) provided as part of a promotion or inducement, including but not limited to “buy one, get one free” offers, gifts with purchase, or other marketing practices.
- (3) A person who contravenes subsection (1) commits an offence.
- (4) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.
- (5) The Secretary of State may by regulations amend the definition of “free of charge” in subsection (2) for the purposes of this section.
- (6) Regulations under subsection (5) are to be made by statutory instrument.
- (7) 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 amendment prohibits (and creates an offence of) providing free samples of tobacco and vaping products in the course of business, with a power for the Secretary of State to amend the definition of “free of charge” by regulations subject to the affirmative procedure.

Clause 16

BARONESS MCINTOSH OF PICKERING

★ Clause 16, page 9, line 20, at end insert—

- “(4A) The Secretary of State must by regulations make provision for and in connection with a streamlined process for granting personal and premises licences to businesses that—
- (a) both have an alcohol premises licence and are a personal licence holder, and
 - (b) have not been subject to enforcement action in the last 12 months for actions that a licensing authority would judge as inconsistent with conditions set out in regulations.”

Member's explanatory statement

The purpose of this amendment is to acknowledge that the majority of retailers selling tobacco products and vape products do so responsibly and have robust policies in place to prevent sales to children and to prevent the sale of illicit or non-duty paid products.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 16, page 9, line 22, leave out from “consult” to end of line 23 and insert “and take into consideration the views of –

- (a) retailers of relevant products or their representatives, and
- (b) any other person the Secretary of State considers it appropriate to consult.”

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 16, page 9, line 23, at end insert –

- “(5A) Draft regulations under this section must be published before the end of the period of six months from the passing of this Act.”

Schedule 1

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Schedule 1, page 123, line 16, leave out sub-paragraph (2)

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment prevents the licensing authority from imposing proximity and density restrictions in licence conditions.

After Clause 18

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Clause 18, insert the following new Clause –

“Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence

- (1) An individual must not do any of the following things in the course of business in England, except under the authority of and in accordance with a commercial distribution licence –
 - (a) distribute relevant products to any person;
 - (b) possess relevant products for the purpose of their distribution (by the individual or another person).

- (2) A person must not in the course of business use or permit the use of premises in England for any of the following except under the authority of and in accordance with a premises distribution licence—
 - (a) the storage of relevant products for the purpose of their distribution (by the person or another person);
 - (b) the supply of relevant products to businesses or wholesale purchasers.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by regulations create exceptions to the prohibition in subsection (1) or (2).
- (4) The Secretary of State must by regulations make provision for and in connection with the grant of commercial distribution licences and premises distribution licences.
- (5) Before making regulations under this section, the Secretary of State must consult any persons that the Secretary of State considers it appropriate to consult.
- (6) Schedule (*Distributor licensing scheme: England*) makes further provision about regulations under subsection (4).
- (7) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.
- (8) In this section—
 - “commercial distribution licence” means a licence granted by a licensing authority that authorises a business to do the things mentioned in subsection (1);
 - “distribution” means the supply of products to retail businesses, wholesale distributors, and other forms of non-retail supply;
 - “grant” includes variation or renewal;
 - “licensing authority” has the meaning given by paragraph of Schedule (*Distributor licensing scheme: England*);
 - “premises distribution licence” means a licence granted by a licensing authority that authorises the use of premises for the purposes listed in subsection (2);
 - “relevant products” means—
 - (a) tobacco products;
 - (b) herbal smoking products;
 - (c) cigarette papers;
 - (d) vaping products;
 - (e) nicotine products;
 - “supply” includes despatch;
 - “wholesale distributors” are businesses that offer goods for sale that are sold to persons for resale by them or for processing and resale by them, to members of the general public for their use or consumption.”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Clause 18, insert the following new Clause—

“Offences in connection with distribution licences: England

- (1) A person who breaches the prohibition in section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(1) or (2) commits an offence.
- (2) A person commits an offence if—
 - (a) the person provides information to a licensing authority—
 - (i) in, or in connection with, an application for the grant of a commercial distribution licence or a premises distribution licence, or
 - (ii) in pursuance of any other obligation imposed by or under regulations made under section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(4), and
 - (b) the information is false or misleading in a material respect, and
 - (c) the person knows, or ought to know, that the information is false or misleading in a material respect.
- (3) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine.
- (4) The court by which a person is convicted of an offence under subsection (1) may order the relevant products to which the offence relates, and any container for them, to be forfeited and either destroyed or dealt with in such other manner as the court may order.
- (5) In this section—
 - “grant” includes variation or renewal;
 - “licensing authority” has the meaning given by paragraph 2 of Schedule (*Distributor licensing scheme: England*);
 - “commercial distribution licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(8);
 - “premises distribution licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(8);
 - “relevant products” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(8).”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Clause 18, insert the following new Clause—

“Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England

- (1) A local weights and measures authority in England may impose a financial penalty on a person if satisfied that—
 - (a) the person has breached a condition of a commercial distribution licence or premises distribution licence, and
 - (b) the breach does not constitute a criminal offence under section (*Offences in connection with distribution licences: England*).
- (2) The amount of the financial penalty must not exceed £100,000.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by regulations amend the amount specified in subsection (2) for the purpose of reflecting inflation.
- (4) Schedule (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England*) makes further provision about the imposition of penalties under this section.
- (5) Regulations under this section are subject to the negative resolution procedure.
- (6) In this section “commercial distribution licence” and “premises distribution licence” have the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(8).”

After Schedule 2

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Schedule 2, insert the following new Schedule—

“SCHEDULE

FINANCIAL PENALTIES FOR BREACHES OF DISTRIBUTION LICENCE CONDITIONS: ENGLAND

Introduction

- 1 This schedule makes further provision in connection with the imposition of financial penalties under section (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England*).

Notices of intent

- 2 (1) A local weights and measures authority must, before imposing a financial penalty on a person, give the person written notice (a “notice of intent”) of the proposed financial penalty.
- (2) A notice of intent must specify—

- (a) the amount of proposed financial penalty,
 - (b) the reasons for proposing to impose the penalty,
 - (c) information about the right to make representations under paragraph 3, and
 - (d) the date by which any representations must be made.
- (3) The date specified under sub-paragraph (2)(d) must be a date more than 28 days after the day on which the notice of intent is given to the person.
- (4) The local weights and measures authority may at any time withdraw the notice of intent, or amend it to reduce the amount of the proposed financial penalty, by giving written notice to the person.

Right to make representations

- 3 (1) A person who is given a notice of intent under paragraph 2 may make written representations to the local weights and measures authority that issued the notice about the proposal to impose a financial penalty.
- (2) Any representations must be made within the period (“the period for representations”) ending with the date specified under paragraph 2(2)(d).

Final notices

- 4 (1) After the end of the period for representations the local weights and measures authority must decide whether to impose a financial penalty on the person.
- (2) If the local weights and measures authority decides to impose a financial penalty on the person, the authority must give the person written notice (a “final notice”) imposing the penalty.
- (3) A final notice must specify –
 - (a) the amount of the financial penalty,
 - (b) the reasons for imposing the penalty,
 - (c) the date by which the penalty must be paid,
 - (d) information about the right of appeal under paragraph 5, and
 - (e) the consequences of failing to comply with the final notice.
- (4) The date specified under sub-paragraph (3)(c) must be a date more than 28 days after the day on which the final notice is given to the person.
- (5) The local weights and measures authority may at any time withdraw a final notice, or amend it to reduce the amount of the financial penalty, by giving written notice to the person.
- (6) A final notice may not be given more than 28 days after the last day of the period for representations.

Appeals

- 5 (1) A person on whom a financial penalty is imposed under section (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England*) may appeal to the magistrates’ court against –

- (a) the decision to impose the penalty, or
 - (b) the amount of the penalty.
- (2) An appeal under this paragraph must be brought before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day after the day on which the final notice is given to the person in accordance with paragraph 4.
 - (3) On an appeal under this paragraph the magistrates' court may confirm, reduce or cancel the penalty.
 - (4) If a person appeals under this paragraph, the final notice is suspended until the appeal is finally determined, withdrawn or abandoned.

Recovery

- 6 (1) This paragraph applies if a person fails to pay the whole or part of a financial penalty before the end of the period within which the person is required to pay the penalty.
- (2) The local weights and measures authority that imposed the financial penalty may recover the unpaid amount of the penalty as if it were payable under an order of the county court.

Use of proceeds

- 7 (1) Any sums received in pursuance of final notices given under paragraph 4 must be paid into the Consolidated Fund.
- (2) But before paying such sums into the Consolidated Fund the local weights and measures authority may deduct—
 - (a) the costs of investigating the matters to which the final notices relate, and
 - (b) the costs of issuing the notices.”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Schedule 2, insert the following new Schedule—

“SCHEDULE

DISTRIBUTOR LICENSING SCHEME: ENGLAND

Introduction

- 1 This Schedule is about the provision that may be made by regulations under section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(4).

Licensing authority

- 2 The regulations must specify a description of local authority (a “licensing authority”) which is to grant licences.

Grant of licence

- 3 (1) The regulations may –
 - (a) prohibit a licensing authority from granting a licence unless satisfied as to a matter specified in the regulations;
 - (b) require a licensing authority to have regard, in deciding whether to grant a licence, to a matter specified in the regulations.
- (2) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1)(a) includes –
 - (a) provision prohibiting a licensing authority from granting a premises distribution licence in respect of premises within an area of a description specified in the regulations;
 - (b) provision limiting the number of licensed premises within an area of a description specified in the regulations.
- (3) The regulations may make provision requiring a licensing authority not to grant a premises distribution licence unless the premises have been inspected in accordance with the regulations.

Licence fee

- 4 (1) The regulations may authorise a licensing authority to charge a fee in respect of an application for the grant of a licence (which may be set at a level that takes into account the cost of exercising functions under or in connection with sections (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*), (*Offences in connection with distribution licences: England*), (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England*) or the regulations.
- (2) Any such fee must not exceed an amount specified in, or determined in accordance with, the regulations.
- (3) The regulations may require a licensing authority to pay a proportion of any amount received by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) to any other person with functions under or in connection with sections (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*), (*Offences in connection with distribution licences: England*), (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England*) or the regulations.

Licence conditions

- 5 (1) The regulations may make provision for the grant of a licence subject to conditions.
- (2) Provisions of the kind mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) may –
 - (a) enable a licensing authority to attach conditions to a licence;
 - (b) require a licensing authority to attach to a licence a condition specified in the regulations.

- (3) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1) includes provision prohibiting or restricting the commercial distribution of relevant products within an area of a description specified in the regulations.

Duration etc of licence

- 6 (1) The regulations may make provision about the duration, renewal, variation, suspension or revocation of licenses.
- (2) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1) includes provision conferring power on a court by which a person is convicted of an offence under section (*Offences in connection with distribution licences: England*) to vary, suspend or revoke a licence.

Publication of license information

- 7 The regulations may make provision for the publication by a licensing authority of information relating to licences granted by the licensing authority.

Reviews and appeals

- 8 (1) The regulations must specify the circumstances in which a person may request a review of a decision taken under the regulations.
- (2) The regulations must confer a right of appeal to the magistrates' court against a decision taken on a review.
- (3) The regulations may contain provision about time limits for requesting reviews or initiating appeals.

Guidance

- 9 The regulations may require a licensing authority, in carrying out functions under the regulations, to have regard to guidance published by the Secretary of State.

Sub-delegation

- 10 The regulations may confer discretions.

Interpretation

- 11 In this Schedule—
- “commercial distribution licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(8);
 - “grant” includes vary or renew;
 - “licence” means a commercial distribution licence or a premises distribution licence;
 - “licensing authority” has the meaning given by paragraph 2;
 - “local authority” means—
 - (a) a county council in England;

- (b) a district council in England;
 - (c) a London borough council;
 - (d) a combined authority established under section 103 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009;
 - (e) a combined county authority established under section 9(1) of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023;
 - (f) the Common Council of the City of London (in its capacity as a local authority), the Sub-Treasurer of the Inner Temple or the Under Treasurer of the Middle Temple;
 - (g) the Council of the Isles of Scilly;
- “premises distribution licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(8);
- “relevant products” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*)(8).”

Clause 19

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 19, page 11, leave out line 24 and insert “and take into consideration the views of—

- (a) retailers of relevant products or their representatives, and
- (b) any other person the Welsh Ministers consider it appropriate to consult.”

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 19, page 11, line 24, at end insert—

- “(5A) Draft regulations under this section must be published before the end of the period of six months from the passing of this Act.”

After Schedule 4

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Schedule 4, insert the following new Schedule—

“SCHEDULE**DISTRIBUTOR LICENSING SCHEME: WALES***Introduction*

- 1 This Schedule is about the provision that may be made by regulations under section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(4).

Grant of Licence

- 2 (1) The regulations may—
- (a) prohibit a licensing authority from granting a distribution licence unless satisfied as to a matter specified in the regulations;
 - (b) require a licensing authority to have regard, in deciding whether to grant a licence, to a matter specified in the regulations.
- (2) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1)(a) includes—
- (a) provision prohibiting a licensing authority from granting a premises distribution licence in respect of premises within an area of a description specified in the regulations;
 - (b) provision limiting the number of licensed distribution premises within an area of a description specified in the regulations.
- (3) The regulations may make provision requiring a licensing authority not to grant a premises distribution licence unless the premises have been inspected in accordance with the regulations

Licence fee

- 3 (1) The regulations may authorise a licensing authority to charge a fee in respect of an application for the grant of a licence (which may be set at a level that takes into account the cost of exercising functions under or in connection with sections (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*), (*Offences in connection with licences: Wales*), (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: Wales*) or the regulations).
- (2) Any such fee must not exceed an amount specified in, or determined in accordance with, the regulations.
- (3) The regulations may require a licensing authority to pay a proportion of any amount received by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) to any other person with functions under sections (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales*

without a licence), (Offences in connection with licences: Wales), (Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: Wales) or the regulations.

Licence conditions

- 4 (1) The regulations may make provision for the grant of a licence subject to conditions.
- (2) Provision of the kind mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) may –
 - (a) enable a licensing authority to attach conditions to a licence;
 - (b) require a licensing authority to attach to a licence a condition specified in the regulations.
- (3) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1) includes provision prohibiting or restricting the commercial distribution of relevant products within an area of a description specified in the regulations.

Duration of Licence

- 5 (1) The regulations may make provision about the duration, renewal, variation, suspension or revocation of licences.
- (2) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1) includes provision conferring power on a court by which a person is convicted of an offence under section (*Offences in connection with licences: Wales*) to vary, suspend or revoke a licence.

Publication of licence information

- 6 The regulations may make provision for the publication by a licensing authority of information relating to licences granted by the licensing authority.

Reviews and appeals

- 7 (1) The regulations may make provision for the publication by a licensing authority of information relating to licences granted by the licensing authority.
- (2) The regulations must confer a right of appeal to the magistrates' court against a decision taken on a review.
- (3) The regulations may contain provision about time limits for requesting reviews or initiating appeals.

Guidance

- 8 The regulations may require a licensing authority, in carrying out functions under the regulations, to have regard to guidance published by the Welsh Ministers.

Sub-delegation

- 9 The regulations may confer discretions.

Interpretation

10 In this Schedule –

“commercial distributions licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(8);

“grant” includes vary or renew;

“licence” means a commercial distribution licence or a premises distribution licence;

“licensing authority” , in relation to the doing of things or the use of premises in a county or county borough in Wales, means the council of the county or county borough;

“premises distribution licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(8);

“relevant products” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(8).”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Schedule 4, insert the following new Schedule –

“SCHEDULE

FINANCIAL PENALTIES FOR BREACH OF DISTRIBUTOR LICENSING CONDITIONS: WALES

Introduction

- 1 This schedule makes further provision in connection with the imposition of financial penalties under section (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: Wales*).

Notice of intent

- 2 (1) A local weights and measures authority must, before imposing a financial penalty on a person, give the person written notice (a “notice of intent”) of the proposed financial penalty.
- (2) A notice of intent must specify –
- (a) the amount of the proposed financial penalty,
 - (b) the reasons for proposing to impose the penalty,
 - (c) information about the right to make representations under paragraph 3, and
 - (d) the date by which any representations must be made.
- (3) The date specified under sub-paragraph (2)(d) must be a date more than 28 days after the day on which the notice of intent is given to the person.

- (4) The local weights and measures authority may at any time withdraw the notice of intent, or amend it to reduce the amount of the proposed financial penalty, by giving written notice to the person.

Right to make representations

- 3 (1) A person who is given a notice of intent under paragraph 2 may make written representations to the local weights and measures authority that issued the notice about the proposal to impose a financial penalty.
- (2) Any representations must be made within the period (“the period for representations”) ending with the date specified under paragraph 2(2)(d).

Final notices

- 4 (1) After the end of the period for representations the local weights and measures authority must decide whether to impose a financial penalty on the person.
- (2) If the local weights and measures authority decides to impose a financial penalty on the person, the authority must give the person written notice (a “final notice”) imposing the penalty.
- (3) A final notice must specify –
 - (a) the amount of financial penalty,
 - (b) the reasons for imposing the penalty,
 - (c) the date by which the penalty must be paid,
 - (d) information about the right of appeal under paragraph 5, and
 - (e) the consequences of failing to comply with the final notice.
- (4) The date specified under sub-paragraph (3)(c) must be a date more than 28 days after the day on which the final notice is given to the person.
- (5) The local weights and measures authority may at any time withdraw a final notice, or amend it to reduce the amount of the financial penalty, by giving written notice to the person.
- (6) A final notice may not be given more than 28 days after the last day of the period for representations.

Appeals

- 5 (1) A person on whom a financial penalty is imposed under section (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: Wales*) may appeal to the magistrates’ court against –
 - (a) the decision to impose the penalty, or
 - (b) the amount of the penalty.
- (2) An appeal under this paragraph must be brought before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day after the day on which the final notice is given to the person in accordance with paragraph 4.
- (3) On an appeal under this paragraph the magistrates’ court may confirm, reduce or cancel the penalty.

- (4) If a person appeals under this paragraph, the final notice is suspended until the appeal is finally determined, withdrawn or abandoned.

Recovery

- 6 (1) This paragraph applies if a person fails to pay the whole or part of a financial penalty before the end of the period within which the person is required to pay the penalty.
- (2) The local weights and measures authority that imposed the financial penalty may recover the unpaid amount of the penalty as if it were payable under an order of the county court.

Use or proceeds

- 7 (1) Any sums received in pursuance of final notices given under paragraph 4 must be paid into the Welsh Consolidated Fund.
- (2) But before paying such sums into the Welsh Consolidated Fund the local weights and measures authority may deduct –
- (a) the costs of investigating the matters to which the final notices relate, and
 - (b) the costs of issuing the notices.”

After Clause 22

LORD BETHELL

After Clause 22, insert the following new Clause –

“Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence

- (1) An individual must not do any of the following things in the course of business in Wales except under the authority of and in accordance with a commercial distribution licence –
- (a) distribute relevant products to any person other than a retail customer;
 - (b) possess relevant products for the purpose of their distribution (by the individual or another person).
- (2) A person must not use or permit the use of premises in Wales for any of the following except under the authority of and in accordance with a premises distribution licence –
- (a) the storage of relevant products for the purpose of their distribution (by the person or another person);
 - (b) the supply of relevant products to businesses or wholesale purchasers.
- (3) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations create exceptions to the prohibition in subsection (1) or (2).

- (4) The Welsh Ministers must by regulations make provision for and in connection with the grant of commercial distribution licences and premises distribution licences.
- (5) Before making regulations under this section the Welsh Ministers must consult any persons that the Welsh Ministers consider it appropriate to consult.
- (6) Schedule (*Distributor licensing scheme: Wales*) makes further provision about regulations under subsection (4).
- (7) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.
- (8) In this section –
 - “commercial distribution licence” means a licence granted by a licensing authority that authorises a business to do the things mentioned in subsection (1);
 - “distribution” means the supply of products to retail businesses, wholesale distributors, and other forms of non-retail provision;
 - “grant” includes variation or renewal;
 - “licensing authority”, in relation to the doing of things or the use of premises in a county or county borough in Wales, means the council of the county or county borough;
 - “premises distribution licence” means a licence granted by a licensing authority that authorises the use of premises for the purposes listed in subsection (2);
 - “relevant products” means
 - (a) tobacco products;
 - (b) herbal smoking products;
 - (c) cigarette papers;
 - (d) vaping products;
 - (e) nicotine products;
 - “supply” includes despatch;
 - “wholesale distributors” are businesses that offer goods for sale that are sold to persons for resale by them or for processing and resale by them, to members of the general public for their use or consumption.”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Clause 22, insert the following new Clause –

“Offences in connection with licences: Wales

- (1) A person who breaches the prohibition in section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(1) or (2) commits an offence.
- (2) A person commits an offence if –
 - (a) the person provides information to a licensing authority –

- (i) in, or in connection with, an application for the grant of a commercial distribution licence or a premises distribution licence, or
 - (ii) in pursuance of any other obligation imposed by or under regulations made under section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(4),
 - (b) the information is false or misleading in a material respect, and
 - (c) the person knows, or ought to know, that the information is false or misleading in a material respect.
- (3) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine.
- (4) The court by which a person is convicted of an offence under subsection (1) may order the relevant products to which the offence relates, and any container for them, to be forfeited and either destroyed or dealt with in such other manner as the court may order.
- (5) In this section –
- “grant” includes variation or renewal;
 - “licensing authority” in relation to the doing of things or the use of premises in a county or county borough in Wales, means the council of the county or county borough;
 - “commercial distribution licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(8);
 - “premises distribution licence” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(8);
 - “relevant product” has the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(8).”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Clause 22, insert the following new Clause –

“Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: Wales

- (1) A local weights and measures authority in Wales may impose a financial penalty on a person if satisfied that –
- (a) the person has breached a condition of a commercial distribution licence or premises distribution licence, and
 - (b) the breach does not constitute a criminal offence under section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*).
- (2) The amount of the financial penalty must not exceed £100,000.
- (3) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations amend the amount specified in subsection (2) for the purpose of reflecting inflation.

- (4) Schedule (*Financial penalties for breach of distributor licensing conditions: Wales*) makes further provision about the imposition of financial penalties under this section.
- (5) Regulations under this section are subject to the negative resolution procedure.
- (6) In this section “commercial distribution licence” and “premises distribution licence” have the meaning given by section (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*)(8).”

Clause 35

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

The above-named Lords give notice of their intention to oppose the Question that Clause 35 stand part of the Bill.

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the ability of the Secretary of State to take over enforcement functions from Trading Standards in specific cases.

Clause 36

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

The above-named Lords give notice of their intention to oppose the Question that Clause 36 stand part of the Bill.

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the ability of the Secretary of State to take over proceedings from Trading Standards in respect of a particular offence.

Clause 38

BARONESS WALMSLEY

Clause 38, page 20, line 19, leave out “paid into the relevant Consolidated Fund” and insert “allocated by the relevant local authority to public health projects”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would direct funds from Fixed Penalty Notice fines to public health initiatives as determined by local authorities.

BARONESS WALMSLEY

Clause 38, page 20, line 20, leave out “paying such sums into the relevant Consolidated Fund” and insert “such sums are allocated by the relevant local authority”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is consequential on another amendment to this Clause in Baroness Walmsley's name.

After Clause 40

BARONESS BENNETT OF MANOR CASTLE

After Clause 40, insert the following new Clause—

“Prohibition on supply of cigarette filters in England and Wales

- (1) The Secretary of State and Welsh Ministers must make regulations having the effect of prohibiting the supply of cigarette filters or cigarettes containing cigarette filters, whether by way of sale or not, in the course of a business.
- (2) Subsections (6), (8), (9), (10), (10A), (10B), (10C) and (10D) of section 140 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 apply to regulations under this section as they apply to regulations under that section.
- (3) The notice required under section 140(6)(b) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 as applied by subsection (2) in relation to the regulations mentioned in subsection (1) must be published no later than the end of the period of 12 months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.
- (4) In this section—
“cigarette filter” means a filter which is intended for use in a cigarette, whether as part of a ready made cigarette or to be used with hand rolling tobacco or other substances to be smoked in a cigarette.
- (5) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause requires the Secretary of State and Welsh Ministers to make regulations which would prohibit the supply of cigarette filters or cigarettes containing cigarette filters.

Schedule 5

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Schedule 5, page 133, line 16, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to remove the generational ban on handing over tobacco products in Wales by raising the age to 21.

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Schedule 5, page 133, line 21, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Schedule 5, page 133, line 26, leave out “born before 1 January 2009” and insert “over the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Schedule 5, page 134, line 9, leave out “born before after 1 January 2009” and insert “over the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Schedule 5, page 134, line 14, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Clause 45

LORD VAIZEY OF DIDCOT

- ★ Clause 45, page 23, line 6, leave out subsection (2) and insert—
- “(2) Before making regulations under this section the Secretary of State must—
- (a) commission an independent report to—
 - (i) assess the harm to human health associated with the use of tobacco related devices, and
 - (ii) assess the relative harm of tobacco related devices compared to cigarettes;
 - (b) publish that report;
 - (c) consult any persons the Secretary of State considers it appropriate to consult.
- (2A) The Secretary of State may not make regulations under this section unless the Secretary of State is satisfied that the report under subsection (2) demonstrates that there is significant risk of harm to human health associated with the use of tobacco related devices.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Secretary of State to undertake research into the potential harms posed by heated tobacco before extending the provisions in Part 1 to such devices.

Clause 47

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 47, page 24, line 3, at end insert –

““retailers of relevant products” means a person who carries on a business involving the sale of the following products by retail –

- (a) tobacco products,
- (b) tobacco related devices,
- (c) herbal smoking products,
- (d) cigarette papers,
- (e) vaping products, or
- (f) nicotine products.”

Clause 49

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 49, page 25, line 15, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to remove the generational ban for tobacco products in Scotland by raising the age of sale to 21.

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 49, page 25, line 18, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 49, page 25, line 22, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 49, page 25, line 24, leave out subsection (3)

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 49, page 26, line 11, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 49, page 26, line 13, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 49, page 26, line 16, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

After Clause 60

LORD LANSLEY

After Clause 60, insert the following new Clause –

“Requirement for retailers of vapes in Scotland to include age-verification technology

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may make regulations making it an offence for a tobacco retailer who sells vapes on premises in Scotland to sell vapes that do not contain approved age-gating technology.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations specify the requirements with which any age-gating technology must comply, which must include (but need not be limited to) –
 - (a) the information, including biometric information, that a user must provide to the age-gating technology in order to be able to use the vape;
 - (b) the steps that the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity and that they are aged 18 or over before first activating the vape for use;
 - (c) the steps which the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity following activation of the vape, and the frequency with, and circumstances in, which the age-gating technology must require these steps to be taken;

- (d) the requirements with which the age-gating technology must comply in order to ensure the security of the information, including personal data, provided to it by users;
 - (e) the technical specifications which the age-gating technology must meet in order to ensure that it is compatible with vapes made by different manufacturers.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations under this section make further provision about requirements with which tobacco retailers must comply.
 - (4) In this section, “age-gating technology” means technology designed to prevent the use of vaping products by persons aged under 18.
 - (5) Before making regulations under this section the Scottish Ministers must consult any persons the Scottish Ministers considers it appropriate to consult.
 - (6) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would enable regulations to require vapes to incorporate age-verification technology and provide for its use.

Schedule 9

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Schedule 9, page 145, line 5, at end insert –

“(ca) a vaping product distribution business;”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Schedule 9, page 145, line 6, at end insert –

“(e) a nicotine product distribution business.”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Schedule 9, page 145, line 9, leave out “or (d)” and insert “, (ca), (d), or (e)”

Clause 68

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 68, page 35, line 33, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to remove the generational ban for tobacco products in Northern Ireland by raising the age of sale to 21.

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 68, page 36, line 6, leave out “born before 1 January 2009” and insert “over the age of 21”

Clause 69

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 69, page 36, line 16, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 69, page 36, line 19, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 69, page 36, line 26, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

Clause 72

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Clause 72, page 37, line 28, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

After Clause 78

LORD LANSLEY

After Clause 78, insert the following new Clause—

“Requirement for retailers of vapes in Northern Ireland to include age-verification technology

- (1) A Northern Ireland department may make regulations making it an offence for a tobacco retailer who sells vapes on premises in Northern Ireland to sell vapes that do not contain approved age-gating technology.
- (2) A Northern Ireland department may by regulations specify the requirements, with which any age-gating technology must comply, which must include (but need not be limited to)—
 - (a) the information, including biometric information, that a user must provide to the age-gating technology in order to be able to use the vape;
 - (b) the steps that the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity and that they are aged 18 or over before first activating the vape for use;
 - (c) the steps which the age-gating technology must require the user to take in order to verify their identity following activation of the vape, and the frequency with, and circumstances in, which the age-gating technology must require these steps to be taken;
 - (d) the requirements with which the age-gating technology must comply in order to ensure the security of the information, including personal data, provided to it by users;
 - (e) the technical specifications which the age-gating technology must meet in order to ensure that it is compatible with vapes made by different manufacturers.
- (3) A Northern Ireland department may by regulations under subsection (2) make further provision about requirements with which tobacco retailers must comply.
- (4) In this section, “age-gating technology” means technology designed to prevent the use of vaping products by persons aged under 18.
- (5) Before making regulations under this section a Northern Ireland department must consult any persons that the Northern Ireland department consider it appropriate to consult.
- (6) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would enable regulations to require vapes to incorporate age-verification technology and provide for its use.

Schedule 10

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Schedule 10, page 148, line 14, at end insert –

“(ba) a vaping product distribution business;”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Schedule 10, page 148, line 15, at end insert –

“(d) a nicotine product distribution business.”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Schedule 10, page 148, line 19, leave out “or (c)” and insert “, (ba), (c), or (d)”

After Clause 84

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Clause 84, insert the following new Clause –

“Prohibition of distribution or retail sales of tobacco products etc without a licence

- (1) After section 4C of the Tobacco Retailers Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (c. 4 (N.I.)) insert –

“Licensing of the distribution of tobacco products etc

4D Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc without a licence

- (1) An individual must not do any of the following things except under the authority of and in accordance with a commercial distribution licence –
- (a) distribute relevant products to any person;
 - (b) possess relevant products for the purpose of their distribution (by the individual or another person).
- (2) A person must not use or permit the use of premises for any of the following except under the authority of and in accordance with a premises distribution licence –
- (a) the storage of relevant products for the purpose of their distribution (by the person or another person);

- (b) the supply of relevant products to businesses or wholesale purchasers.
- (3) Regulations may create exceptions to the prohibition in subsection (1) or (2).
- (4) Regulations must make provision for and in connection with the grant of commercial distribution licences and premises distribution licences.
- (5) Before making regulations under this section the Department must consult any persons the Department considers it appropriate to consult.
- (6) Schedule 3 makes further provision about regulations under subsection (4).
- (7) In this section –
 - “commercial distribution licence” means a licence granted by a licensing authority that authorises a business to do the things mentioned in subsection (1);
 - “distribution” means the supply of products to retail businesses, wholesale distributors, and other forms of non-retail provision;
 - “grant” includes variation or renewal;
 - “licensing authority” has the meaning given by paragraph 2 of Schedule 3;
 - “premises distribution licence” means a licence granted by a licensing authority that authorises the use of premises for the purposes listed in subsection (2);
 - “relevant products” means –
 - (a) tobacco products;
 - (b) herbal smoking products;
 - (c) cigarette papers;
 - (d) vaping products;
 - (e) nicotine products;
 - “supply” includes despatch;
 - “wholesale distributors” are businesses that offer goods for sale that are sold to persons for resale by them or for processing and resale by them, to members of the general public for their use or consumption.

4E Offences in connection with licences

- (1) A person who breaches the prohibition in section 4D(1) or (2) commits an offence.
- (2) A person commits an offence if –
 - (a) the person provides information to a licensing authority –
 - (i) in, or in connection with, an application for the grant of a commercial distribution licence or a premises distribution licence, or

- (ii) in pursuance of any other obligation imposed by or under regulations made under section 4D(4),
 - (b) the information is false or misleading in a material respect, and
 - (c) the person knows, or ought to know, that the information is false or misleading in a material respect.
- (3) A person who commits an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine.
- (4) The court by which a person is convicted of an offence under subsection (1) may order the relevant products to which the offence relates, and any container for them, to be forfeited and either destroyed or dealt with in such other manner as the court may order.
- (5) In this section –
 - “grant” includes variation or renewal;
 - “licensing authority” has the meaning given by paragraph 2 of Schedule 3;
 - “commercial distribution licence” has the meaning given by section 4D(7);
 - “premises distribution licence” has the meaning given by section 4D(7);
 - “relevant product” has the meaning given by section 4D(7).

4F Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions

- (1) A council may impose a financial penalty on a person if satisfied that - a. the person has breached a condition of a commercial distribution licence or premises distribution licence, and b. the breach does not constitute a criminal offence under section 4E.
 - (2) The amount of the financial penalty must not exceed £100,000.
 - (3) Regulations may amend the amount specified in subsection (2) for the purpose of reflecting inflation.
 - (4) Schedule 4 makes further provision about the imposition of financial penalties under this section.
 - (5) In this section “commercial distribution licence” and “premises distribution licence” have the meaning given by section 4D(7).”
- (2) Schedule (*Distributor licensing scheme: Northern Ireland*) inserts new Schedule 3 to the Tobacco Retailers Act (Northern Ireland) 2014, relating to the grant of commercial distribution licences and premises distribution licences.
 - (3) Schedule (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: Northern Ireland*) inserts new Schedule 4 to the Tobacco Retailers Act (Northern Ireland) 2014, relating to the imposition of financial penalties.”

After Schedule 13

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Schedule 13, insert the following new Schedule—

“SCHEDULE

FINANCIAL PENALTIES FOR BREACH OF DISTRIBUTION LICENCE CONDITIONS: NORTHERN
IRELAND

In the Tobacco Retailers Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (c. 4 (N.I.)), after Schedule 3 (inserted by Schedule (*Distributor licensing scheme: Northern Ireland*) of this Act), insert—

“SCHEDULE 4

FINANCIAL PENALTIES FOR BREACH OF DISTRIBUTION LICENCE CONDITIONS

Introduction

- 1 This schedule makes further provision in connection with the imposition of financial penalties under section 4F.

Notices of intent

- 2 (1) A council must, before imposing a financial penalty on a person, give the person written notice (a “notice of intent”) of the proposed financial penalty.
- (2) A notice of intent must specify—
 - (a) the amount of proposed financial penalty,
 - (b) the reasons for proposing to impose the penalty,
 - (c) information about the right to make representations under paragraph 3, and
 - (d) the date by which any representations must be made.
- (3) The date specified under sub-paragraph (2)(d) must be a date more than 28 days after the day on which the notice of intent is given to the person.
- (4) The council may at any time withdraw the notice of intent, or amend it to reduce the amount of the proposed financial penalty, by giving written notice to the person.

Right to make representations

- 3 (1) A person who is given a notice of intent under paragraph 2 may make written representations to the council that issued the notice about the proposal to impose a financial penalty.
- (2) Any representations must be made within the period (“the period for representations”) ending with the date specified under paragraph 2(2)(d).

Final notices

- 4 (1) After the end of the period for representations the council must decide whether to impose a financial penalty on the person.
- (2) If the council decides to impose a financial penalty on the person, the council must give the person written notice (a “final notice”) imposing the penalty.
- (3) A final notice must specify –
 - (a) the amount of financial penalty,
 - (b) the reasons for imposing the penalty,
 - (c) the date by which the penalty must be paid,
 - (d) information about the right of appeal under paragraph 5, and
 - (e) the consequences of failing to comply with the final notice.
- (4) The date specified under sub-paragraph (3)(c) must be a date more than 28 days after the day on which the final notice is given to the person.
- (5) The council may at any time withdraw a final notice, or amend it to reduce the amount of the financial penalty, by giving written notice to the person.
- (6) A final notice may not be given more than 28 days after the last day of the period for representations.

Appeals

- 5 (1) A person on whom a financial penalty is imposed under section 4F may appeal to the magistrates’ court against –
 - (a) the decision to impose the penalty, or
 - (b) the amount of penalty.
- (2) An appeal under this paragraph must be brought before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day after the day on which the final notice is given to the person in accordance with paragraph 4.
- (3) On an appeal under this paragraph the magistrates’ court may confirm, reduce or cancel the penalty.
- (4) If a person appeals under this paragraph, the final notice is suspended until the appeal is finally determined, withdrawn or abandoned.

Recovery

- 6 (1) This paragraph applies if a person fails to pay the whole or part of a financial penalty before the end of the period within which the person is required to pay the penalty.
- (2) The council that imposed the financial penalty may recover the unpaid amount of the penalty as if it were payable under an order of the county court.

Use of proceeds

- 7 (1) A council may use any sums it receives in pursuance of final notices given under paragraph 4 (its “financial penalty receipts”) only for the purposes of its functions under this Act.
- (2) A council must supply the Department with such information relating to its use of its financial penalty receipts as the Department may require.
- (3) Regulations may make provision for what a council is to do with its financial penalty receipts –
- (a) pending their being used for the purposes mentioned in sub-paragraph (1);
 - (b) if they are not used for those purposes within a period of time specified in the regulations and beginning with their receipt.
- (4) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (3)(b) includes (in particular) provision for the payment of sums to a person (including the Department) other than the council.
- (5) Regulations may make provision for accounting arrangements in respect of a council's financial penalty receipts.
- (6) Before making regulations under this paragraph, the Department must consult –
- (a) councils, and
 - (b) such other persons as the Department considers appropriate.””

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

After Schedule 13, insert the following new Schedule –

“SCHEDULE

DISTRIBUTOR LICENSING SCHEME: NORTHERN IRELAND

In the Tobacco Retailers Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (c. 4 (N.I.)), after Schedule 2 (inserted by Schedule 12 of this Act), insert –

“SCHEDULE 3

DISTRIBUTOR LICENSING SCHEME

Introduction

- 1 This Schedule is about the provision that may be made by regulations under section 4D(4).

Licensing authority

- 2 The regulations must specify a council (a “licensing authority”) which is to grant licences.

Grant of licence

- 3 (1) The regulation may –
 - (a) prohibit a licensing authority from granting a licence unless satisfied as to a matter specified in the regulations;
 - (b) require a licensing authority to have regard, in deciding whether to grant a licence, to a matter specified in the regulations.
- (2) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1)(a) includes –
 - (a) provision prohibiting a licensing authority from granting a premises distribution licence in respect of premises within an area of a description specified in the regulations;
 - (b) provision limiting the number of licensed premises within an area of a description specified in the regulations.
- (3) The regulations may make provision requiring a licensing authority not to grant a premises distribution licence unless the premises have been inspected in accordance with the regulations.

Licence fee

- 4 (1) The regulations may authorise a licensing authority to charge a fee in respect of an application for the grant of a licence (which may be set at a level that takes into account the cost of exercising functions under or in connection with sections 4D to 4F or the regulations).
- (2) Any such fee must not exceed an amount specified in, or determined in accordance with, the regulations.
- (3) The regulations may require a licensing authority to pay a proportion of any amount received by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) to any other person with functions under or in connection with sections 4D to 4F or the regulations.

Licence conditions

- 5 (1) The regulations may make provision for the grant of a licence subject to conditions.
- (2) Provision of the kind mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) may –
 - (a) enable a licensing authority to attach conditions to a licence;
 - (b) require a licensing authority to attach to a licence a condition specified in the regulations.
- (3) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1) includes provision prohibiting or restricting the commercial distribution of relevant products within an area of a description specified in the regulations.

Duration etc of licence

- 6 (1) The regulations may make provision about the duration, renewal, variation, suspension or revocation of licenses.

- (2) The provision that may be made under sub-paragraph (1) includes provision conferring power on a court by which a person is convicted of an offence under section 4E to vary, suspend or revoke a licence.

Publication of license information

- 7 The regulations may make provision for the publication by a licensing authority of information relating to licences granted by licensing authority.

Reviews and appeals

- 8 (1) The regulations must specify the circumstances in which a person may request a review of a decision taken under the regulations.
- (2) The regulations must confer a right of appeal to the magistrates' court against a decision taken on a review.
- (3) The regulations may contain provision about time limits for requesting reviews or initiating appeals.

Guidance

- 9 The regulations may require a licensing authority, in carrying out functions under the regulations, to have regard to guidance published by the Secretary of State.

Sub-delegation

- 10 The regulations may confer discretions.

Interpretation

- 11 In this Schedule –
 - “commercial distribution licence” has the meaning given by section 4D;
 - “grant” includes vary or renew;
 - “licence” means a commercial distribution licence or a premises distribution licence;
 - “licensing authority” has the meaning given by paragraph 2
 - “premises distribution licence” has the meaning given by section 4D;
 - “relevant products” has the meaning given by section 4D.””

Clause 88

LORD KAMALL

EARL HOWE

Clause 88, page 49, line 13, after “products” insert “or any relevant high-strength oral nicotine products”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment permits HMRC officers to seize and detain nicotine pouches containing more than 20mg of nicotine.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 88, page 49, line 30, at end insert –

““relevant high-strength oral nicotine product” means a nicotine product that –

- (a) is intended for oral use,
- (b) is not intended to be inhaled or chewed, and
- (c) contains more than 20 milligrams of nicotine per portion.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is consequential to the other amendment to Clause 88 in Lord Kamall's name.

Clause 90

LORD RENNARD

Clause 90, page 51, line 7, after “trademarks” insert, “, markings containing health warnings”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is linked to another amendment in Lord Rennard's name which enables regulations to be made requiring health warnings to be marked on individual cigarettes and cigarette papers.

LORD MOTT

Clause 90, page 51, line 11, leave out “shape” and insert “design, shape or interoperability”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment empowers ministers to regulate the design and interoperability of products in order to prohibit the sale of very high puff count vaping devices.

After Clause 90

LORD RENNARD

After Clause 90, insert the following new Clause –

“Mandatory health warnings on cigarettes and cigarette rolling papers: consultation

- (1) In developing regulations under section 90, the Secretary of State must consult on draft regulations which would, if made, include a requirement on producers

of tobacco products and cigarette papers to print health warnings on individual cigarettes and individual cigarette papers.

- (2) In this section, “cigarette papers” and “tobacco product” have the same meaning as in section 111 of this Act.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause commits the government to consult on regulations under clause 90 requiring the placing of specified health warnings on cigarettes and rolling papers by tobacco manufacturers and importers.

Clause 91

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 91, page 51, line 23, after “flavour” insert “descriptors”

After Clause 91

EARL RUSSELL

After Clause 91, insert the following new Clause –

“Definition of vaping flavour

The Secretary of State must, within six months of the day on which this Act is passed, publish a statement setting out the criteria by which a vaping product is considered to have a “flavour”, including but not limited to –

- (a) the ingredients or additives used to produce a corresponding taste or aroma,
- (b) the methods by which flavour is imparted or presented in the product, whether through liquid composition or packaging,
- (c) the differentiation between tobacco and non-tobacco flavours, and
- (d) any threshold or standard for determining the presence or prominence of a flavour.”

Member's explanatory statement

This probing amendment seeks to clarify how the Government intends to define a "flavour" in the context of vaping products, and to understand how such a definition will inform any future regulation or restriction of flavoured vapes.

Clause 92

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 92, page 52, line 19 at end insert –

- “(5) The Secretary of State may, through guidelines, make provision about the nature and amount of the substances that may be released into the body of a person using government funded stop smoking services which entail –
- (a) vaping products;
 - (b) nicotine products.”

Clause 109LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 109, page 60, line 12, after “consult” insert “and take into consideration the views of”

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 109, page 60, leave out line 13 and insert “manufacturers of relevant products”

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE*Revised version of the amendment to Clause 109, page 60, line 12, printed on 24 April 2025*

Clause 109, page 60, leave out line 13 and insert –

- “(a) the producers of a relevant product or representatives of the producers of a relevant product,
 - (b) consumers of a relevant product or representatives of consumers of a relevant product, and
 - (c) any other persons that the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- (2) Consultation under this section must include a call for evidence.
- (3) The Secretary of State must have due regard to all views received as part of any consultation under this section.
- (4) For the purposes of this section a person is a “producer of a relevant product” if in the course of business and with a view to the product being supplied for consumption in any part of the United Kingdom or through the travel retail sector, the person –
- (a) manufactures a relevant product,
 - (b) puts a name, trade mark or other distinguishing mark on a relevant product by which the person is held out to be its manufacturer or originator, or

- (c) imports a relevant product into any part of the United Kingdom.
- (5) For the purposes of subsection (4) a “relevant product” means –
- (a) tobacco products,
 - (b) tobacco related devices,
 - (c) herbal smoking products,
 - (d) cigarette papers,
 - (e) vaping products, or
 - (f) nicotine products.”

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 109, page 60, line 13, and end insert –

- “(2) In this section, “relevant products” means –
- (a) tobacco products,
 - (b) herbal smoking products,
 - (c) cigarette papers,
 - (d) vaping products, or
 - (e) nicotine products.”

Clause 111

LORD MOTT

Clause 111, page 60, line 35, after second “products” insert “(including filter tips)”

Member's explanatory statement

The amendment clarifies the definitions of products in Part 5 of the Bill, which serve as product definitions in Part 6 of the Bill, relating to advertising and sponsorship. Specifically, amending the definition of “cigarette papers” in Part 5 ensures that filter tips are explicitly listed in the Bill and fall within the scope of the provisions on advertising and sponsorship in Part 6.

Clause 119

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 119, page 67, line 40, at end insert –

- “(d) it is intended to promote a vaping product as a smoking cessation tool.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would ensure that vapes are able to be promoted as a smoking cessation tool and public health measure.

LORD MOYLAN

Clause 119, page 67, line 40, at end insert –

- “(d) it is, when in relation to the advertising of vaping products or nicotine products, in a location in which it would be reasonable to expect that everyone present is aged 18 or over.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would allow the advertising of vaping or nicotine products within locations where it is reasonable to expect that everyone present is over 18.

After Clause 120

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

After Clause 120, insert the following new Clause –

“Advertising exemptions for specialist vaping retailers

- (1) A person does not commit an offence under any of the sections 113 to 117 in relation to an advertisement whose purpose or effect is to promote a vaping product if the advertisement –
 - (a) is in a specialist vaping shop,
 - (b) is not visible from outside the specialist vaping shop, and
 - (c) complies with the requirements (if any) specified by the appropriate national authority in regulations as to the inclusion of health warnings and information.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1)(c) are subject to the negative resolution procedure.
- (3) In this section –
 - “appropriate national authority” –
 - (a) in relation to specialist vaping shops in England, means the Secretary of State,
 - (b) in relation to specialist vaping shops in Wales, means the Welsh Ministers,
 - (c) in relation to specialist vaping shops in Scotland, means the Scottish Ministers, and
 - (d) in relation to specialist vaping shops in Northern Ireland, means the Department of Health for Northern Ireland;
 - “shop” includes a self-contained part of a shop (and, in relation to a self-contained part of a shop, “premises” means that self-contained part);
 - “specialist vaping shop” means a shop selling vaping products by retail (whether or not it sells other things) more than 90% of whose sales on the premises in question derive from the sale of vaping products and vaping accessories.

- (4) For the purposes of determining whether a shop is a specialist vaping shop the sales are to be measured by the sale price –
 - (a) during the most recent period of 12 months for which accounts are available, or
 - (b) during the period for which the shop has been established, if it has not been established long enough for 12 months' accounts to be available.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would enable specialist vaping retailers to operate and provide free advice and consultations to smokers who are trying to find the right product for them to quit.

LORD MOYLAN

After Clause 120, insert the following new Clause –

“Specialist vaping retailers

- (1) Nothing in this Act prevents a specialist vaping retailer from making available, through an online service, information about vaping products or related accessories, provided that –
 - (a) the communication is directed only to individuals aged 18 or over,
 - (b) reasonable steps are taken to assess age before access to promotional content, and
 - (c) the communication is intended to promote informed choice among adult smokers or vapers.
- (2) For the purposes of determining whether a shop is a specialist vaping retailer, the retailer must demonstrate that at least seventy percent of their total sales derive from the sale of vaping products during –
 - (a) the most recent period of 12 months for which accounts are available, or
 - (b) the period for which the shop has been established, if it has not been established long enough for 12 months' accounts to be available.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would permit specialist vaping retailers to communicate information about their products online to an adult-only audience, subject to appropriate age-verification safeguards. It recognises that responsible online communications are vital for adult smokers seeking to access harm reduction products and ensures that legitimate specialist businesses.

After Clause 121

BARONESS NORTHOVER

After Clause 121, insert the following new Clause –

“Regulations: Vaping Advertisements

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations impose prohibitions, requirements or limitations on persons in relation to –

- (a) the advertising, promotion or marketing of vaping products in England;
 - (b) the content, format, and placement of such advertisements, including their appearance in physical premises, broadcast media, online platforms, or other public communications;
 - (c) the advertising of vaping products in a manner likely to appeal to children, non-smokers, or other persons for whom use of such products is not intended.
- (2) Regulations under this section must have regard to the role of vaping products as a smoking cessation tool for existing smokers.
- (3) Regulations under this section may –
- (a) make different provision for different types of vaping products, modes of advertising, or categories of advertiser;
 - (b) provide for exemptions or exceptions, including for advertising conducted by or on behalf of public health authorities, NHS bodies, or registered smoking cessation services.
- (4) Regulations under this section are to be made by statutory instrument.
- (5) 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 amendment enables the Secretary of State to regulate vaping product advertising in England, with regard to their role in smoking cessation and allowing exemptions for public health or cessation campaigns.

Clause 129

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

The above-named Lords give notice of their intention to oppose the Question that Clause 129 stand part of the Bill.

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the ability of the Secretary of State to take over enforcement functions relating to advertising offences from Trading Standards in specific cases.

Clause 130

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

The above-named Lords give notice of their intention to oppose the Question that Clause 130 stand part of the Bill.

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the ability of the Secretary of State to take over proceedings relating to advertising offences from Trading Standards in respect of a particular offence.

Clause 135

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 135, page 76, line 29, leave out from “smoke-free” to end of line 3 on page 77 and insert “any place in England that is –

- (a) an NHS property or hospital,
- (b) a public playground,
- (c) a provider of early years education, or
- (d) a school.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment restricts the Secretary of State’s power to designate smoke-free places to only hospitals, children’s playgrounds, providers of early years education and schools in England.

BARONESS WALMSLEY

Clause 135, page 76, line 32, at end insert –

- “(c) there is evidence is causing harm to non-smokers,”

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 135, page 77, line 11, leave out from “must” to end of line 12 and insert –

- “(a) be satisfied that there is significant risk of harm to people occupying the place the Secretary of State proposes to designate as smoke-free,
 - (b) collect and publish evidence that demonstrates that there is significant risk of harm to people occupying the place the Secretary of State proposes to designate as smoke-free, and
 - (c) consult and consider the views of persons that control or are concerned in the management of the place the Secretary of State proposes to designate as smoke-free.
- (5) The Secretary of State may designate a place or description of place under this section only if in the Secretary of State's opinion there is a significant risk that, without a designation, persons present there would be exposed to significant quantities of smoke.”

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 135, page 77, line 12, at end insert –

“(5) In this section –

“hospital” has the same meaning as in section 275 of the National Health Service Act 2006;

“provider of early years education” means a provider of education or childcare to children under five years of age that is registered in the early years register maintained by the Office for Standards in Education, Children’s Services and Skills;

“public playground” means a premises that –

- (a) is designed or adapted for the use, by children, of one or more items of playground equipment,
- (b) is open to the public, for the purpose (or the primary purpose) of the provision of play facilities for children, and
- (c) is not enclosed or substantially enclosed;

“school” has the same meaning as in section 4 of the Education Act 1996.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment defines terms in Lord Kamall’s other amendment to clause 135, page 76, line 30.

After Clause 136

LORD FAULKNER OF WORCESTER

After Clause 136, insert the following new Clause –

“Specialist tobacconists: removal of exemption from smoke-free premises legislation

Regulation 7 of the Smoke-free (Exemptions and Vehicles) Regulations (S.I. 10 2007/765) is revoked.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to remove the sampling exemption to smoke-free legislation for specialist tobacconists, which currently enables cigar lounges to operate.

Clause 138

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 138, page 79, line 2, leave out from “designating” to end of line 3 and insert “as vape-free any place in England that is a –

- (a) public playground,

- (b) provider of early years education, or
- (c) school.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment restricts the Secretary of State's power to designate vape-free places to only playgrounds, providers of early years education and schools in England.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 138, page 79, line 30, at end insert –

“(9) In this section –

“provider of early years education” means a provider of education or childcare to children under five years of age that is registered in the early years register maintained by the Office for Standards in Education, Children’s Services and Skills;

“public playground” means a premises that –

- (a) is designed or adapted for the use, by children, of one or more items of playground equipment,
- (b) is open to the public, for the purpose (or the primary purpose) of the provision of play facilities for children, and
- (c) is not enclosed or substantially enclosed;

“school” has the same meaning as in section 4 of the Education Act 1996.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment defines terms in Lord Kamall's other amendment to clause 138, page 79, line 30.

After Clause 157

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Strategy to reduce retail crime linked to tobacco and vaping products

- (1) The Secretary of State must prepare and publish a strategy to reduce offences against retailers of relevant products as a result of changes made by this Act.
- (2) The strategy must address –
 - (a) violence and abuse against retail workers at work resulting from –
 - (i) the refusal of sale of relevant products, and
 - (ii) requests for identification by retail workers to a person attempting to buy relevant products;
 - (b) theft of relevant products from retailers of relevant products, and
 - (c) any other offence against retailers of relevant products relating to relevant products.

- (3) The strategy must be published before the end of the period of 12 months after the day on which this Act is passed and updated between 1 January 2027 and 1 January 2028.
- (4) In preparing the strategy the Secretary of State must consult –
 - (a) retailers of relevant products,
 - (b) representatives of retailers of relevant products,
 - (c) elected local policing bodies, and
 - (d) any other person the Secretary of State considers it appropriate to consult.
- (5) For the purposes of this section “retailers of relevant products” means a person who carries on a business involving the sale of relevant products by retail.
- (6) In this section –
 - “elected local policing bodies” has the same meaning as section 101 of the Police Act 1996;
 - “relevant products” means –
 - (a) tobacco products,
 - (b) tobacco related devices,
 - (c) herbal smoking products,
 - (d) cigarette papers,
 - (e) vaping products, or
 - (f) nicotine products;
 - “retail workers at work” means a person who –
 - (a) is working on or about retail premises, and
 - (b) is working there for or on behalf of the owner or occupier of those premises, or is the owner or occupier of those premises.
- (7) In subsection (6) “retail premises” means –
 - (a) premises used wholly or mainly for the purposes of the sale of anything by retail, or
 - (b) premises used mainly for the purposes of the wholesale of anything, if the premises are also used for the purposes of the sale of anything by retail, and here “premises” include a stall or vehicle.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Secretary of State to publish a strategy to reduce retail crime against retailers of tobacco, vaping and nicotine products.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Review of Act

- (1) The Secretary of State must –
 - (a) carry out a review of the operation and effect of this Act,

- (b) set out the conclusions of the review in a report,
 - (c) publish the report, and
 - (d) lay a copy of the report before Parliament.
- (2) The report must be published before the end of the period of five years beginning with the day on which Parts 1 to 4 come fully into force.
- (3) The report must, in particular assess –
- (a) the extent to which the provisions of this Act have reduced rates of smoking,
 - (b) the extent to which the provisions of this Act have reduced use of vaping products amongst children,
 - (c) whether the provisions of this Act have led to a reduction in the use of vaping products for the purposes of smoking cessation for adults,
 - (d) the economic impacts of the provisions of this Act on small and micro businesses, and
 - (e) the rate of compliance with the provisions of this Act.
- (4) For the purposes of this section “small and micro businesses” has the same meaning as section 33 of the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Secretary of State to carry out a review of the Act and publish and lay before Parliament a report setting out the conclusions of that review.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“National Illicit Tobacco and Vape Enforcement Strategy

- (1) Within one year of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must prepare and publish a strategy to address relevant illicit products (“National Illicit Tobacco and Vape Enforcement Strategy”).
- (2) The strategy must address –
- (a) the availability of relevant illicit products,
 - (b) the means by which relevant illicit products are imported into the United Kingdom,
 - (c) the means by which relevant illicit products are transported within the United Kingdom,
 - (d) the means by which relevant illicit products are sold in the United Kingdom, and
 - (e) any other issues relating to relevant illicit products that the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- (3) In this section “relevant illicit products” means –
- (a) tobacco products,

- (b) tobacco related devices,
- (c) herbal smoking products,
- (d) cigarette papers,
- (e) vaping products, or
- (f) nicotine products

that are in violation of any Act of Parliament or regulation made by the appropriate national authority.

- (4) For the purposes of subsection (3) “appropriate national authority” means –
- (a) in relation to England, the Secretary of State,
 - (b) in relation to Wales, the Welsh Ministers,
 - (c) in relation to Scotland, the Scottish Ministers,
 - (d) in relation to Northern Ireland, the Department of Health.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Secretary of State to publish a strategy to deal with the illicit trade in tobacco and vaping products.

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Guidance on implementation for retailers

- (1) Within one year of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must publish guidance on the implementation of the provisions of this Act for retailers of relevant products.
- (2) For the purposes of this section “retailers of relevant products” means a person who carries on a business involving the sale of relevant products by retail.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (2) “relevant products” means –
 - (a) tobacco products,
 - (b) tobacco related devices,
 - (c) herbal smoking products,
 - (d) cigarette papers,
 - (e) vaping products, or
 - (f) nicotine products.”

LORD YOUNG OF COOKHAM
LORD RENNARD
BARONESS FINLAY OF LLANDAFF

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Tobacco products statutory scheme: consultation

- (1) The Secretary of State must consult and report on the desirability of making a scheme with one or more of the following purposes –
 - (a) regulating, for the purposes of improving public health, the prices which may be charged by any producer or importer of tobacco products for the supply of any tobacco products;
 - (b) limiting the profits which may accrue to any producer or importer in connection with the manufacture or supply of tobacco products;
 - (c) providing for any producer or importer of tobacco products to pay to the Secretary of State an amount calculated by reference to sales or estimated sales of those products (whether on the basis of net prices, average selling prices or otherwise) to be used for the purposes of reducing smoking prevalence and improving public health.
- (2) In this section –
 - “importer”, in relation to tobacco products, and “tobacco products” have the meaning as in Part 5 (see section 111),
 - “producer”, in relation to tobacco products, is to be construed in accordance with the meaning of “production” in Part 5 (see section 111).”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would require the Secretary of State to consult on proposals for regulating the prices and profits of, and to raise funds from, tobacco manufacturers and importers.

LORD YOUNG OF COOKHAM
BARONESS NORTHOVER
BARONESS GREY-THOMPSON

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Reports on roadmap to a smoke-free United Kingdom

- (1) The Secretary of State must, on or before the relevant day and at least once every five years after that day, prepare and lay before Parliament a report setting out –
 - (a) how the Secretary of State expects the smoke-free target will be achieved;
 - (b) the steps proposed to achieve that target (which may include the setting of interim targets);
 - (c) an analysis of statistical data relating to the achievement of the smoke-free target.
- (2) The reports must set out targets and proposed steps relating to geographical areas or categories of people in respect of which there are higher than average rates of smoking.

- (3) The Secretary of State must consult the appropriate national authorities when preparing the reports.
- (4) In this section –
 - “appropriate national authority” means –
 - (a) in relation to Wales, the Welsh Ministers,
 - (b) in relation to Scotland, the Scottish Ministers, and
 - (c) in relation to Northern Ireland, the Department of Health;
 - “relevant day” means the last day before 25 December 2026 which is a sitting day for both Houses of Parliament;
 - “the smoke-free target” means the end of the smoking of tobacco products in the United Kingdom.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause requires the Secretary of State to prepare and lay before Parliament 5-yearly reports containing a roadmap to a smoke-free country including targets and specific interventions for populations with high prevalence rates.

EARL RUSSELL

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Tobacco company profits levy

- (1) The Secretary of State must by regulations make provision for the imposition of a levy on the profits of companies deriving income from the manufacture or sale of tobacco products.
- (2) Regulations under this section must provide that –
 - (a) the levy is to be paid annually by companies to which it applies;
 - (b) the amount payable is to be calculated by reference to profits attributable to the manufacture or sale of tobacco products in the United Kingdom;
 - (c) the funds generated by the levy are to be paid into a dedicated fund held by the Department of Health and Social Care.
- (3) The Secretary of State must ensure that all funds raised through the levy are used solely for –
 - (a) smoking cessation services,
 - (b) public health campaigns related to tobacco harm reduction, and
 - (c) healthcare services for people affected by smoking-related illnesses.
- (4) Statutory instruments containing regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would require the Secretary of State to establish a levy on the profits of tobacco companies, with the proceeds ring-fenced for smoking cessation and related health services.

EARL RUSSELL

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Review of the operation of this Act at the age of 21 threshold

- (1) The Secretary of State must, within six months of 1 July 2030, conduct and publish a review of the operation and impact of this Act in relation to individuals born on or after 1 January 2009, when such individuals reach the age of 21.
- (2) The review may assess –
 - (a) the effectiveness of this Act in promoting the cessation of tobacco and nicotine use among this cohort;
 - (b) the extent to which the provisions of this Act have contributed to reducing the prevalence of tobacco and nicotine consumption;
 - (c) any unintended consequences, including impacts on enforcement, health disparities, or the emergence of illicit or unregulated markets;
 - (d) the impact of the Act on cessation programmes and strategies.”

Member's explanatory statement

This probing amendment requires a review, to be published within six months of 1 July 2030, assessing the effectiveness of the Act in promoting the cessation of tobacco and nicotine use among those born after 1 January 2009 when they turn 21, including the impact on enforcement, health inequalities, and whether further legislative changes are needed.

EARL RUSSELL

After Clause 157, insert the following new Clause –

“Review of the operation of this Act at the age of 25 threshold

- (1) The Secretary of State must, within six months of 1 July 2034, conduct and publish a comprehensive review of the operation and impact of this Act in relation to individuals born on or after 1 January 2009, when such individuals reach the age of 25.
- (2) The review may assess –
 - (a) the effectiveness of this Act in promoting the cessation of tobacco and nicotine use among this cohort;
 - (b) the extent to which the provisions of this Act have contributed to reducing the prevalence of tobacco and nicotine consumption;
 - (c) any unintended consequences, including impacts on enforcement, health disparities, or the emergence of illicit or unregulated markets;
 - (d) the impact of the Act on cessation programmes and strategies.”

Member's explanatory statement

This probing amendment mandates a review, to be published within six months of 1 July 2034, of the Act's long-term effectiveness in promoting cessation among individuals born after 1 January 2009 when they turn 25, focusing on public health outcomes, consumer behaviour, and the need for further legislative adjustments.

Clause 167

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Clause 167, page 120, line 22, after “18” insert “, (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in England without a licence*), (*Offences in connection with distribution licences: England*), (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England*)”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Clause 167, page 120, line 22, leave out “and 2 (licensing of retail sales” and insert “, 2, (*Distributor licensing scheme: England*) and (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: England*) (licensing of retail sales and distribution”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Clause 167, page 120, line 29, at end insert –

- (aa) sections (*Prohibition of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales without a licence*), (*Offences in connection with licences: Wales*), (*Financial penalties for breach of distribution licence conditions: Wales*) and Schedules (*Distributor licensing scheme: Wales*) and (*Financial penalties for breach of distributor licensing conditions: Wales*) (licensing of distribution of tobacco products etc in Wales);”

LORD BETHELL
BARONESS WALMSLEY

Clause 167, page 121, line 7, at end insert –

- (c) section (*Prohibition of distribution or retail sales of tobacco products etc without a licence*) and Schedule (*Licensing of distribution of tobacco products etc in Northern Ireland*).”

Clause 168

LORD KAMALL
EARL HOWE

Clause 168, page 121, line 11, leave out subsection (1) and insert –

- “(1) Part 5 (product and information requirements etc) may not come into force until the Secretary of State has consulted and considered the views of small and micro businesses (as defined by section 33 of the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015).”

After Clause 168

LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Revised version of the amendment printed on 2 May 2025

★ After Clause 168, insert the following new Clause –

“Expiry

- (1) The sections of this Act specified in subsection (2) and any regulations made under those sections expire at the end of the period of five years beginning with the day on which they enter fully into force.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies to –
 - (a) Part 1 (sale and distribution: England and Wales),
 - (b) Part 2 (sale and distribution: Scotland),
 - (c) Part 3 (sale and distribution: Northern Ireland),
 - (d) sections 89 to 92 (product requirements etc),
 - (e) section 93 (non-compliant images),
 - (f) sections 100 and 101 (matters dealt with by 2016 Regulations), and
 - (g) Part 6 (advertising and sponsorship).
- (3) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide that any provision of this Act –
 - (a) does not expire at the time when it would otherwise expire (whether by virtue of subsection (1) or previous regulations under this subsection), and
 - (b) expires instead at such earlier or later time as is specified in the regulations.
- (4) A time specified under subsection (3) in relation to a provision of this Act must not be later than the end of the period of one year beginning with the date on which the provision would otherwise have expired (whether by virtue of subsection (1) or previous regulations under subsection (3)).
- (5) At least three months before making regulations under subsection (3), the Secretary of State must –
 - (a) publish a draft of those regulations,
 - (b) publish an impact assessment of any provision, and any regulations already made under any provision, which would otherwise expire but for the draft regulations to be made under subsection (3),
 - (c) consult the following persons publicly on the draft regulations and impact assessment –
 - (i) the manufacturers of relevant products;
 - (ii) the retailers of relevant products;
 - (iii) any other persons the Secretary of State considers appropriate, and
 - (d) give consultees at least two months to respond.
- (6) At least one month before making regulations under subsection (3), the Secretary of State must publish a report setting out their response to any consultation conducted under subsection (5), including any proposed changes to the regulations as a result of the consultation.

- (7) In this section—
- “relevant products” means—
- (a) tobacco products,
 - (b) tobacco related devices,
 - (c) herbal smoking products,
 - (d) cigarette papers,
 - (e) vaping products, or
 - (f) nicotine products;
- “retailers of relevant products” means a person who carries on a business involving the sale of relevant products by retail.
- (8) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative resolution procedure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the Secretary of State to review the operation and effect of the provisions relating to sale and distribution, product requirements and advertising and sponsorship in the Bill, and any further regulations made under powers granted under the Bill and consult in respect of any provisions that it is considered should continue in force beyond 5 years.

Title

LORD STRATHCARRON
LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

Title, line 2, leave out “born on or after 1 January 2009” and insert “under the age of 21”

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