

Armed Forces Commissioner Bill

COMMONS DISAGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENT IN LIEU

[The page and line references are to HL Bill 63, the Bill as first printed for the Lords]

Clause 1

LORDS AMENDMENT 2

2 Clause 1, page 1, line 15, at end insert –

“(aa) to investigate concerns raised by a whistleblower in relation to the welfare of persons subject to service law and relevant family members, and”

LORDS AMENDMENT 3

3 Clause 1, page 2, line 4, at end insert –

“(7) For the purposes of this section a person (“P”) is a “whistleblower” if –

- (a) P is subject to service law or is a relevant family member,
- (b) P raises a concern that is about another person subject to service law,
- (c) the concern raised by P relates to general service welfare matters (as defined by section 340IA(2)), and
- (d) the concern raised by P does not relate to the conditions of service of persons subject to service law.”

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The Commons disagree with the Lords in their Amendments 2 and 3 but propose the following Amendment in lieu of those Amendments –

2A Page 5, line 19, at end insert –

“(1A) Subsection (1B) applies if the investigation was carried out wholly or partly in response to a request made by an individual.

- (1B) A report under subsection (1) must not include information which identifies the individual or enables them to be identified, except with their consent.”

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