

Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill

RUNNING LIST OF ALL AMENDMENTS ON REPORT

*Tabled up to and including
9 October 2025*

[Amendments marked ★ are new or have been altered]

After Clause 4

BARONESS MCINTOSH OF PICKERING
LORD MESTON
BARONESS BURT OF SOLIHULL

After Clause 4, insert the following new Clause –

“Child contact centres: training

- (1) Providers of child contact centres and services must ensure all staff and volunteers have undergone accredited training and know how to –
 - (a) detect domestic abuse;
 - (b) respond to disclosure of abuse;
 - (c) work with multiple organisations and agencies with responsibilities for safeguarding.
- (2) Accredited training under subsection (1) must be provided by the National Association of Child Contact Centres.”

After Clause 27

BARONESS GREY-THOMPSON

★ After Clause 27, insert the following new Clause –

“Report: barriers to parental support in the care and wellbeing of critically ill children

- (1) Within twelve months of the passing of this Act, the Secretary of State must lay before each House of Parliament a report on the barriers preventing parents of

critically ill children aged between 29 days and 16 years from being by their children's bedsides during periods of hospital care and the impact and potential harms this has on children's care, wellbeing and family life.

- (2) A report laid under subsection (1) must include assessments of –
 - (a) the adequacy of existing measures in facilitating the care, wellbeing and family life of critically ill children aged between 29 days and 16 years by their parents,
 - (b) the barriers facing parents of such children, including –
 - (i) financial pressures,
 - (ii) pressures arising from the parent's existing or future employment commitments, and
 - (iii) mental health difficulties,
 - (c) options for providing additional support to the parents of such children during periods of hospital care, and
 - (d) the impact such additional support would be likely to have on such children's care, wellbeing and family life.
- (3) In preparing the report laid under subsection (1), the Secretary of State must consult –
 - (a) parents of children who have received care in hospital for an extended period,
 - (b) healthcare professionals, and
 - (c) charities and civil society organisations offering support to parents of children receiving care in hospital.
- (4) In preparing a report laid under subsection (1), the Secretary of State must have regard to the UK's international obligations, including under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child adopted and opened for signature, ratification and accession by General Assembly resolution 44/25 of 20 November 1989.
- (5) A Minister of the Crown must within the period of 28 Commons sitting days beginning with the laying of a report under subsection (1) make arrangements for a debate on the report by the House of Commons.
- (6) A Minister of the Crown must within the period of 28 Lords sitting days beginning with the laying of a report under subsection (1) make arrangements for a debate on the report by the House of Lords."

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to report to Parliament on the barriers preventing parents of critically ill children aged between 29 days and 16 years from being by their bedside during periods of hospital care, including financial and workplace pressures, and mental health needs, and the impact this has on the child's care, wellbeing and family life. The amendment would also provide an opportunity for the consideration of that report by each House of Parliament.

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