

AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND UNMANNED AIRCRAFT BILL [HL]

EXPLANATORY NOTES ON COMMONS AMENDMENTS

What these notes do

- 1 These Explanatory Notes relate to the Commons Amendments to the Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [HL] as brought from the House of Commons on 23 March 2021.
- 2 These Explanatory Notes have been prepared by the Department for Transport in order to assist the reader of the Bill and the Commons amendments, and to help inform debate on the Commons amendments. They do not form part of the Bill and have not been endorsed by Parliament.
- 3 These Explanatory Notes, like the Commons amendments themselves, refer to Bill 249, the Bill as first printed for the Commons.
- 4 These Explanatory Notes need to be read in conjunction with the Commons amendments and the text of the Bill. They are not, and are not meant to be, a comprehensive description of the Commons amendments.
- 5 All Commons Amendments were tabled in the name of the Minister.

Commentary on Commons amendments

Commons Amendment to Clause 22: Short title

Commons Amendment 1

- 6 Commons Amendment 1 would remove the privilege amendment inserted at Lords Third Reading.

Commons Amendment to Schedule 8: Unmanned aircraft: powers of police officers and prison authorities:

Commons Amendment 2

- 7 Commons Amendment 2 would amend the definition of “relevant unmanned aircraft offence” to include, in relation to Scotland, offences under the Air Navigation Order 2016 which relate to unmanned aircraft, except offences which are triable only summarily. These offences were included in paragraph 3 of Schedule 8 on introduction, but were inadvertently omitted when Schedule 8 was amended in the Lords.

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