

Environment Bill

AMENDMENTS

TO BE MOVED

IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

[For Third Marshalled List]

Clause 18

LORD HOPE OF CRAIGHEAD
As an amendment to Amendment 80

After subsection (5) insert—

“(5A) When making policy under this section relating to reserved matters, the Minister must nevertheless consult with the Scottish Ministers.”

Clause 43

LORD BERKELEY

Page 26, line 43, after “natural” insert “ecosystems and”

Clause 44

LORD BERKELEY

Page 27, line 3, after “environment” insert “and ecosystems”

Page 27, line 6, after “environment” insert “and ecosystems;”

Page 27, line 7, after “environment” insert “and ecosystems;”

Schedule 4

LORD CHIDGEY

Page 160, line 33, at end insert—

“(4) The relevant national authority must, within 6 months of the passing of this Act, lay before both Houses of Parliament, the Scottish Parliament, Senedd Cymru or the Northern Ireland Assembly, as applicable, regulations which make provision about the retail packaging of household cleaning products to—

Schedule 4 - continued

- (a) require that the text on any product contains a warning on the use of such items in households not connected to mains sewers, and
- (b) create offences which may be committed by persons who produce or supply household cleaning products which breach prohibitions, requirements or limitations imposed under sub-paragraph (4)(a)."

After Clause 77

LORD CHIDGEY

As an amendment to Amendment 161

After inserted subsection 17ZC(3), insert—

- “(3A) Measures intended to reduce reliance upon septic tanks and cesspits in rural communities, including requiring the progressive connection of such rural communities to main sewers.”

Clause 92

LORD BERKELEY

Page 93, line 32, after “biodiversity” insert “and ecosystem”

Page 93, line 32, after “gain” insert “, including in water,”

Clause 93

LORD LUCAS

Page 94, line 17, at end insert—

- “(h) the standards to which the current and intended conditions of the land are to be assessed.”

Member’s explanatory statement

The purpose of this amendment is to enable the Government to set a high common standard for the information to be provided on the current condition and the intended condition of biodiversity gain sites.

Page 94, line 17, at end insert—

- “(h) fees payable to the person responsible for monitoring the achievement and maintenance of biodiversity gain.”

Member’s explanatory statement

The purpose of this amendment is to enable the Government to require that an independent body is enabled to check on the reality of biodiversity gain.

Page 94, line 17, at end insert—

- “(h) the attachment to the land of the obligation to achieve and maintain biodiversity gain.”

Member's explanatory statement

The purpose of this amendment is to enable the Government to ensure that the owner of the land remains liable for achieving the objectives for which they have been paid.

Page 94, line 33, after “land” insert “at the appropriate season or seasons of the year”

Member's explanatory statement

The purpose of this amendment to allow the Government to require that a habitat is assessed at the time or times of the year when its current richness will be most evident.

Clause 105

THE DUKE OF MONTROSE

Page 106, line 16, after “biodiversity” insert “, and the need to support sustainable development and facilitate betterment,”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment aims to ensure that those seeking to improve their environmental performance are not prevented from doing so by limitations of modern technology.

Page 106, line 37, at end insert –

““betterment” means the improvement of the environment and the reduction of emissions through the replacement or upgrading of existing buildings, structures or other infrastructure.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment aims to ensure that those seeking to improve their environmental performance are not prevented from doing so by limitations of modern technology.

Clause 106

THE DUKE OF MONTROSE

Page 107, line 10, after “biodiversity” insert “, supporting sustainable development, and ensuring that social and economic impacts have been given due regard.”

Clause 109

LORD RANDALL OF UXBRIDGE

Page 108, line 37, at end insert –

“(ba) paragraph 3;”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would change the parliamentary procedure for making regulations to specify requirements for the due diligence system to the affirmative procedure.

Page 108, line 43, leave out paragraph (a)

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would change the parliamentary procedure for making regulations to specify requirements for the due diligence system to the affirmative procedure.

Schedule 16

LORD RANDALL OF UXBRIDGE

Page 234, line 18, at end insert –

“(e) whether further steps are required to reduce the rate of deforestation to significantly reduce global footprint in accordance with the target set under section (*Global footprint target*).

(2A) A review must be conducted independently and transparently.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to take the steps identified through a review to improve the effectiveness of the due diligence and global footprint provisions.

Page 234, line 19, leave out sub-paragraph (3)

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to take the steps identified through a review to improve the effectiveness of the due diligence and global footprint provisions.

Page 234, line 25, at end insert –

“(3A) Where a review finds that –

- (a) the effectiveness of the relevant provisions could be improved, or
- (b) further steps to reduce the rate of deforestation are necessary to significantly reduce global footprint,

the Secretary of State must take the steps specified in sub-paragraph (3B).

(3B) Where this sub-paragraph applies, the Secretary of State must, within six months of the completion of the review –

- (a) obtain and take into account independent expert advice on the steps necessary to improve the relevant provisions, or to reduce the rate of deforestation to significantly reduce global footprint,
- (b) lay draft regulations for approval subject to the affirmative procedure setting out the steps necessary, and
- (c) publish the conclusions of the review.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to take the steps identified through a review to improve the effectiveness of the due diligence and global footprint provisions.

After Clause 133

LORD RANDALL OF UXBRIDGE

Insert the following new Clause –

“Global footprint target

- (1) The Secretary of State must by regulations set a target to significantly reduce global footprint as soon as reasonably practicable and no later than 2030.

After Clause 133 - continued

- (2) “Global footprint” means the environmental impact of—
 - (a) goods produced or consumed, and
 - (b) services received,in England, wherever the environmental impact occurs.
- (3) The target in subsection (1) is to be known as the global footprint target.
- (4) It is the duty of the Secretary of State to ensure that the global footprint target is met.
- (5) A draft statutory instrument containing regulations that make provision as to how progress toward the global footprint target will be measured must be laid before Parliament at least 3 months after the conclusion of the fifteenth Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity done at Rio de Janeiro on 15 June 1992, to be held in Kunming.
- (6) Before laying before Parliament a draft of a statutory instrument containing regulations under this section, the Secretary of State must obtain, publish and take into account the advice of relevant experts, including the Joint Nature Conservation Committee.
- (7) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (8) The environmental impacts specified in subsection (2) include the impact of—
 - (a) the transportation of the goods, and
 - (b) processing the goods.”

Member’s explanatory statement

The amendment would require the Secretary of State to set a target to significantly reduce the global footprint as soon as reasonably practicable and no later than 2030.

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