

Skills and Post-16 Education Bill [HL]

AMENDMENTS TO BE MOVED ON REPORT

Clause 1

BARONESS HAYMAN
LORD KNIGHT OF WEYMOUTH
BARONESS SHEEHAN
BARONESS MORGAN OF COTES

Page 1, line 13, after “circumstances” insert –

“including consideration of whether such future skills, capabilities or expertise would align with the achievement of the UK’s net zero target as contained in section 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008 (the target for 2050),”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would ensure that when considering whether post-16 technical education or training is “material” to a specified area, consideration must also be given as to whether such future skills, capabilities or expertise align with the UK’s net zero target.

Page 2, line 20, at end insert –

“(5A) Matters to which the Secretary of State must have regard in deciding whether to approve and publish a plan, include the extent to which the plan contributes to the achievement of:

- (i) the net zero target established in section 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008 (the target for 2050); and
- (ii) the United Kingdom’s environmental goals.

(5B) In this section “the United Kingdom’s environmental goals” means –

- (a) any goals and targets contained in an Environmental Improvement Plan, including the 25 Year Environment Plan
- (b) any target to which the United Kingdom is committed by virtue of being a party to a relevant multilateral environmental agreement; and
- (c) the United Nation’s Sustainable Development Goals.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment provides that matters to which the Secretary of State must have regard when deciding whether to approve and publish a local skills improvement plan shall include to what extent the plan contributes to the achievement of net zero and biodiversity targets.

Page 2, line 33, at end insert –

“(8) When approving and publishing a local skills improvement plan under subsection (7), the Secretary of State must report on how such a plan has taken account of any national skills strategy, and consider to what extent such a plan aligns with the United Kingdom’s climate change and biodiversity targets.”

Member’s explanatory statement

The purpose of this new Clause is to ensure that when the Secretary of State publishes guidance in relation to local skills improvement plans they must report on how a plan has taken account of any national skills strategy and consider to what extent the plan aligns with the UK’s net zero and biodiversity targets.

Skills and Post-16 Education Bill [HL]

AMENDMENTS
TO BE MOVED
ON REPORT

24 September 2021
