

# Rating (Coronavirus) and Directors Disqualification (Dissolved Companies) Bill

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**After Clause 1**

BARONESS PINNOCK  
LORD FOX

Insert the following new Clause—

**“Review of the impact of section 1 on small businesses**

- (1) Within six months of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must carry out a review of the impact of section 1 of this Act on small businesses.
- (2) The review in subsection (1) must cover, but is not limited to, the impact of the changes to the system of determining a material change in circumstances introduced by section 1.
- (3) The review must make a recommendation as to whether further financial support is needed to support small businesses in light of the changes made by this Act.
- (4) The Secretary of State must lay a copy of the review before Parliament.”

***Member’s explanatory statement***

*This amendment would require the Secretary of State to carry out a review of the impact of section 1 on small businesses.*

Insert the following new Clause—

**“Assessment of the impact of section 1 on the system of business rates**

- (1) Within 12 months of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must carry out an assessment of whether the changes introduced by section 1 make the system of business rates effective.
- (2) The review in subsection (1) must cover, but is not limited to, whether the changes introduced by section 1 improve the ability of the current system of business rates to—
  - (a) provide an effective form of funding for local authorities; and
  - (b) support town centres and local high streets.

**After Clause 1 - continued**

- (3) The assessment must make a recommendation as to whether further legislation is needed on factors which may or may not be taken into account in making a relevant determination to ensure the business rates system is fair and effective.
- (4) The Secretary of State must lay a copy of the assessment before Parliament.”

***Member’s explanatory statement***

*This amendment would require the Secretary of State to carry out an assessment of whether the changes in section 1 improve the wider system of business rates.*

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