

# Advanced Research and Invention Agency Bill

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AMENDMENTS  
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**Schedule 1**

BARONESS NOAKES

Page 6, line 18, leave out paragraph (c)

Page 6, line 24, at end insert—

- “(5) A person is disqualified for appointment as a non-executive member if that person is or has been in the five years preceding the appointment—
- (a) a Minister of the Crown, or
  - (b) a person serving in a government department in employment in respect of which remuneration is payable out of money provided by Parliament.”

Page 7, line 36, leave out paragraph (a)

Page 9, line 10, at end insert “provided that a majority of those members are non-executive members.”

BARONESS CHAPMAN OF DARLINGTON

Page 10, line 5, at end insert—

- “(2A) The report must include a list of all projects supported in the financial year.”

***Member’s explanatory statement***

*This amendment would ensure that the annual report includes a list of all projects supported in the financial year.*

Page 10, line 7, at end insert—

- “(5) A Minister of the Crown must make a statement to both Houses of Parliament on the report.”

**Member's explanatory statement**

*This amendment would ensure that a Minister of the Crown must make a statement to both Houses of Parliament on the report.*

## BARONESS NOAKES

Page 10, line 23, leave out paragraph (a)

Page 10, line 26, leave out paragraph (d)

**Clause 2**

## BARONESS CHAPMAN OF DARLINGTON

Page 1, line 17, at end insert—

“(2A) In exercising its functions, ARIA must have regard to its core mission.

(2B) The Secretary of State must publish a statement every two years on steps taken by ARIA in regard to its core mission

(2C) In this section, “core mission” means—

- (a) for the period until the target established in section 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008 has been met, undertaking activities which support the achievement of the target,
- (b) thereafter, mission or missions which the Secretary of State establishes by regulations every five years, and
- (c) regulations under this section—
  - (i) must be made by statutory instrument, and
  - (ii) may not be made unless a draft has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.”

**Member's explanatory statement**

*This amendment would ensure that ARIA has a core mission. That core mission would initially be supporting the achievement of the net zero emissions in the UK.*

Page 2, line 15, at end insert—

“(7) In exercising its functions, ARIA must have regard to the desirability of—

- (a) increasing prosperity across each region of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, and
- (b) reducing economic inequalities between each region of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

(8) The annual report prepared under paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 must contain—

- (a) the geographical distribution of ARIA's investments over the past year,
- (b) the economic impact of this investment in each region and nation of the UK, and
- (c) an independent assessment of whether ARIA has contributed to or reduced economic inequalities between each region of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment would ensure that ARIA has regard to increasing prosperity across each region, whilst reducing regional inequalities. The amendment would also ensure that the annual report includes information in relation to this.*

Page 2, line 15, at end insert –

“(7) ARIA is –

- (a) a public authority within the meaning of section 3 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and Schedule 1 to that Act is amended accordingly, and
- (b) a central government authority within the meaning of regulation 2(1) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, and Schedule 1 of those Regulations is amended accordingly.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment would subject ARIA to Freedom of Information requests.*

**Schedule 3**

BARONESS CHAPMAN OF DARLINGTON

Page 13, line 37, leave out paragraph 11

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