

Health and Care Bill

AMENDMENTS

TO BE MOVED

IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

[Supplementary to the Sixth Marshalled List]

After Clause 140

LORD BETHELL

Insert the following new Clause—

“Secretary of State’s duty to establish a register of care workers

The Secretary of State must require a regulatory body to establish and maintain a register of persons who provide social care services registered under Schedule 1 to the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 (S.I. 2014/2936).”

Member’s explanatory statement

This new Clause would make registration of adult social care workers compulsory in England as is already the case in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Registration would only apply to those working in positions where their activities were regulated by the CQC. Registration would not require qualification but would provide the basis for opportunities for continuing professional development.

Schedule 13

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

Page 225, line 9, leave out paragraph 14 and insert—

“ 14 (1) The HSSIB’s funding will be set on a three-year basis.

(2) The Secretary of State may make payments to the HSSIB, including in addition to its agreed three-year funding, out of money provided by Parliament of such amounts as the Secretary of State considers appropriate following consultation with the HSSIB.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment is intended to provide the HSSIB with financial stability over a three-year period in order to enhance its independence.

Schedule 14

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

Page 229, line 41, leave out paragraph 6

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is intended to enable the HSSIB to operate a safe space for those involved in its investigations.

Clause 115

LORD HUNT OF KINGS HEATH

Page 101, line 15, at end insert—

- “(c) must specify an end date;
- (d) may be extended for a further defined period.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment will avoid a permanent assumption of direction of HSSIB by the Secretary of State.

Page 101, line 15, at end insert—

- “(7) The Secretary of State must set out in writing the reasons why the HSSIB is considered to be failing or to have failed in the exercise of any of its functions, and how the failure is significant.
- (8) The HSSIB must set out its response to the Secretary of State's statement under section (7) within seven days of receipt.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is intended to provide transparency and robustness in the reasons why the Secretary of State considers it necessary to assume direction of an independent body.

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