

Building Safety Bill

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After Clause 145

LORD FOSTER OF BATH

Insert the following new Clause—

“Sale of goods online for use in buildings

- (1) The Secretary of State must, within one year of the passing of this Act, make regulations placing requirements on operators of online marketplaces to take reasonable steps to identify and remove from the online marketplace items which—
 - (a) do not comply with safety legislation, or
 - (b) have been withdrawn or recalled by any person in accordance with safety legislation,and that are of such a kind that are, or may be reasonably assumed to be, for use in buildings.
- (2) Regulations made pursuant to subsection (1)—
 - (a) must specify what in the opinion of the Secretary of State constitutes “reasonable steps”,
 - (b) may specify which items this section applies to, and
 - (c) may specify penalties for failure to comply with the regulations.”

Member’s explanatory statement

The purpose of this Clause is to improve the safety of buildings by preventing the sale of faulty electrical goods that can cause fires. This is particularly important in high-rise buildings in which fires can, and in the past have, spread causing fatalities.

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