

Energy Bill [HL]

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[Supplementary to the Marshalled List]

Amendment
No.

After Clause 237

BARONESS HAYMAN
BARONESS ALTMANN
LORD HOLLICK

242A★ After Clause 237, insert the following new Clause –

“GEMA general duties relating to climate change

- (1) In section 3A(1A) of the Electricity Act 1989 (the principal objective and general duties of the Secretary of State and the Authority), for paragraph (a) substitute –
 - “(a) their interests in enabling the Secretary of State to meet the targets set under Part 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008 (UK net zero emissions target and budgeting);”.
- (2) In section 4AA(1A) of the Gas Act 1986 (the principal objective and general duties of the Secretary of State and the Authority), for paragraph (a) substitute –
 - “(a) their interests in enabling the Secretary of State to meet the targets set under Part 1 of the Climate Change Act 2008 (UK net zero emissions target and budgeting);”.

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment seeks to include within Ofgem's general duties a specific requirement to have regard to meeting the UK's net zero emissions target.

BARONESS NEVILLE-ROLFE

242B★ After Clause 237, insert the following new Clause –

“UK Green Taxonomy: nuclear strategy

- (1) In reviewing technical screening criteria for the UK Green Taxonomy, the Treasury must ensure that nuclear energy generation is specified as Taxonomy-aligned.

- (2) In this section “technical screening criteria” has the same meaning as in regulation 78 of the Securities Financing Transactions, Securitisation and Miscellaneous Amendments (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1385).”

Member's explanatory statement

The object of this probing amendment is to establish in this bill that nuclear power is classified as green, that is environmentally friendly, and that investment in nuclear will also be considered as green.

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