

# Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill

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LIST OF AMENDMENTS  
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*The amendments have been marshalled in accordance with the Instruction of 7th January 2025, as follows –*

Clauses 1 to 4	Clauses 13 to 34
Schedules 1 and 2	Schedule 4
Clauses 5 to 12	Clauses 35 to 38
Schedule 3	Title

*[Amendments marked ★ are new or have been altered]*

**Amendment  
No.**

**Clause 31**

BARONESS HAMWEE  
LORD CARLILE OF BERRIEW

**37A** Leave out Clause 31 and insert the following new Clause –

**“Civil liability**

Nothing in this Act or regulations made under it affects any right of action in civil proceedings.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment is to clarify the right to civil proceedings under the Bill.*

**After Clause 31**

LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

**37B★** After Clause 31, insert the following new Clause –

**“Right to protest**

- (1) Nothing in this Act is to be construed as infringing upon the right to protest, as protected under Schedule 1 of the Human Rights Act 1998.

- (2) The provisions of this Act shall not apply to protests or demonstrations, provided that such protests or demonstrations do not directly incite violence, threaten public safety, or disrupt essential services, and are conducted peacefully and lawfully in accordance with existing legal frameworks governing public gatherings.
- (3) This Act shall not be used to impede, restrict, or unlawfully interfere with the right of individuals to express dissent through peaceful means, whether in public or private spaces, so long as such activities are in compliance with the principles of non-violence, respect for others' rights, and public order.
- (4) Any action taken under this Act that affects an individual or group's ability to protest or assemble shall be subject to review to ensure that it does not unduly restrict fundamental freedoms."

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment probes the compatibility of the Bill with provisions on protest under the Human Rights Act 1998.*

**Clause 32**

LORD ANDERSON OF IPSWICH  
BARONESS SUTTIE  
BARONESS FOX OF BUCKLEY

38 Clause 32, page 23, line 18, at end insert –

- “(2) Regulations under subsection (1)(a) and (b) may reduce the figures specified in section 2(2)(c), 2(3)(a) or 3(1)(d) only if the Secretary of State is satisfied that the reduction is justified by a change in the threat from terrorism.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment would require the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any reduction by regulations of the thresholds for qualifying premises and qualifying events is justified by a change in the terrorist threat.*

LORD ANDERSON OF IPSWICH  
LORD SANDHURST

39 Clause 32, page 23, line 18, at end insert –

- “(2) Before making regulations under this section the Secretary of State must consult anyone that appears to the Secretary of State to be appropriate.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment would require the Secretary of State to consult before making regulations under this section. The wording is adapted from the Fire Safety Act 2021 section 2, which is advanced in the Delegated Powers Memorandum para 46 as a precedent for taking similar powers.*

**After Clause 34**

LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

40 After Clause 34, insert the following new Clause –

**“Tax relief incentives for security investments**

- (1) The Secretary of State, in consultation with HM Treasury, must establish a tax relief scheme for qualifying investments made by businesses to reduce the vulnerability of premises to acts of terrorism at premises covered by this Act.
- (2) Qualifying investments include but are not limited to –
  - (a) surveillance and monitoring equipment,
  - (b) physical barriers and access control systems,
  - (c) staff training on counter-terrorism measures, and
  - (d) cyber-security infrastructure for venue security.
- (3) The scheme may provide tax deductions of up to twenty-five per cent for eligible security expenditures.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment incentivises businesses to voluntarily strengthen their security infrastructure to reduce the vulnerability of premises to acts of terrorism by offsetting the financial burden through tax deductions. It encourages innovation and investment in counter-terrorism technologies while reducing reliance on public funding.*

LORD UDNY-LISTER

41 After Clause 34, insert the following new Clause –

**“Local authority support and coordination**

- (1) The Secretary of State must provide funding and resources to local authorities to support their expanded role in overseeing compliance with this Act’s security requirements.
- (2) The Secretary of State must outline clear guidelines for local authority coordination with the Security Industry Authority (SIA).”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment addresses concerns about placing additional burdens on councils and the need for greater clarity in local authority responsibilities and coordination.*

## LORD UDNY-LISTER

42 After Clause 34, insert the following new Clause—

**“Financial support for businesses**

- (1) The Secretary of State must establish a financial support scheme to assist businesses with the cost of implementing the security measures required under this Act.
- (2) The scheme must include low-interest loans, grants, or tax relief for businesses facing costs of between £3,000 and £52,000.”

*Member's explanatory statement*

*This amendment seeks to provide financial relief to businesses facing high implementation costs, ensuring that security measures do not place undue strain on businesses already grappling with rising costs.*

## LORD UDNY-LISTER

43 After Clause 34, insert the following new Clause—

**“Counter-terrorism measures in planning law**

- (1) The Secretary of State must consult with local authorities on integrating counter-terrorism measures into the planning and design of new buildings which are likely to be designated “qualifying premises” for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) Following that consultation, the Secretary of State must introduce measures to ensure the incorporation of anti-terrorism design principles in new building projects, particularly those in high-risk areas, where the buildings in question are likely to be designated “qualifying premises” for the purposes of this Act.”

*Member's explanatory statement*

*This amendment encourages the integration of counter-terrorism measures into architectural design, promoting safer urban environments from the outset.*

## LORD FROST

44 After Clause 34, insert the following new Clause—

**“Independent review panel to monitor the Security Industry Authority**

- (1) The Secretary of State must establish an independent review panel to monitor the role of the Security Industry Authority (SIA) as the regulator.
- (2) The panel must produce annual reports for Parliament.
- (3) The reports must address the risk of regulatory overreach by the SIA.”

*Member's explanatory statement*

*This amendment seeks to address concerns about the risk of regulatory overreach by the SIA through establishing an independent review panel to monitor the role of the SIA.*

## LORD MURRAY OF BLIDWORTH

45 After Clause 34, insert the following new Clause –

**“Financial support for voluntary and community organisations**

The Secretary of State must provide grants or funding schemes for voluntary and community organisations to cover the costs associated with compliance under this Act.”

*Member's explanatory statement*

*This probing amendment seeks to respond to concerns about increased costs for small organisations, including village halls, which could deter community engagement and lead to closures.*

LORD DAVIES OF GOWER  
LORD SANDHURST

46 After Clause 34, insert the following new Clause –

**“Review of the impact on the night-time economy**

- (1) Within 18 months of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must lay before Parliament a report reviewing the impact of the provisions in this Act on the night-time economy, jobs and growth.
- (2) The report must include an assessment of the impact of this Act on –
  - (a) public houses,
  - (b) nightclubs,
  - (c) bars,
  - (d) restaurants,
  - (e) cinemas, and
  - (f) any other late-opening venues that the Secretary of State considers to be part of the night-time economy.”

*Member's explanatory statement*

*This new Clause seeks to require the Secretary of State to produce a report reviewing the impact this Act on the night-time economy, jobs and growth.*

**Clause 37**

## LORD SANDHURST

47 Clause 37, page 25, line 32, leave out paragraphs (a) and (b) and insert “no sooner than six months after the day on which this Act is passed, and not before draft guidance on the application of the Act has been issued to businesses affected by the provisions of the Act and a consultation with those businesses has taken place.”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*This amendment seeks to delay the commencement of parts 1 and 2 of the Act to ensure that businesses have been properly consulted before the Act's provisions come into place and the draft guidance has been published.*



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