

Childcare Bill [HL]

AMENDMENTS
TO BE MOVED
IN COMMITTEE

Clause 1

BARONESS JONES OF WHITCHURCH
LORD TOUHIG

Page 1, line 3, leave out “The Secretary of State” and insert “Every English local authority”

LORD TOUHIG
BARONESS JONES OF WHITCHURCH

Page 1, line 10, at end insert –

- “() “Working parents” means –
- () parents who work a minimum of 8 hours a week each,
 - () a single parent who works 8 hours a week,
 - () a parent who is not in work but is receiving work-related training,
 - () a parent who is the main carer for a family member,
 - () a parent on a flexible working contract of an equivalent of 8 hours per week,
 - () a parent whose contract has unexpectedly ended through no fault of their own,
 - () a parent who engages regularly in voluntary work.”

BARONESS TYLER OF ENFIELD
BARONESS PINNOCK

Page 1, line 20, at end insert –

- “() In discharging their duty under subsection (1) and supporting local authorities to meet their duties under section 7 of the Childcare Act 2006 (duty to secure prescribed early years provision free of charge) the Secretary of State must ensure –
- (a) childcare providers are suitably qualified and trained to deliver high-quality care to disabled children and children with special educational needs;

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- (b) childcare providers have facilities suitable for disabled children and children with special educational needs;
- (c) childcare providers are able to access additional funding to meet the needs of disabled children and children with special educational needs.”

BARONESS JONES OF WHITCHURCH
LORD TOUHIG

Page 2, line 11, leave out paragraph (g)

BARONESS PINNOCK
BARONESS TYLER OF ENFIELD

Page 2, line 23, at end insert –

- “() Regulations as described in subsection (5)(c) must ensure that the times available provide sufficient flexibility –
 - (a) to parents who work outside the hours of 9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday; and
 - (b) to ensure that childcare is available during school holidays within the local authority area of the relevant childcare provider.”

BARONESS JONES OF WHITCHURCH
LORD TOUHIG

Page 2, line 27, leave out subsection (7)

Clause 2

BARONESS JONES OF WHITCHURCH
LORD TOUHIG

Page 3, line 17, leave out subsections (4) and (5) and insert –

- “() A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsections (1) and (2) may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.”

Before Clause 3

BARONESS PINNOCK
BARONESS TYLER OF ENFIELD

Insert the following new Clause –

“Duty to report: child poverty target

- (1) The Secretary of State must, in each financial year, starting with the date 12 months after the commencement of this Act, report on the impact of the free entitlement to childcare on meeting child poverty targets.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, “child poverty targets” means the targets set out in sections 3 to 6 of the Child Poverty Act 2010.”

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