HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH BILL

Mr Speaker’s provisional certification (SO No 83L) as at 17 November 2016

Under the provisions of Standing Order 83L, the Speaker must, after the conclusion of Report stage on any government bill that has been amended since Second Reading, reconsider the Bill for certification under Standing Order No 83J.

To assist Members, the Speaker has issued a provisional certification in advance of report stage. This takes account of changes made to the Bill in Public Bill Committee and Government amendments (but no others) tabled for consideration at Report stage.

The Speaker will announce his final certification to the House as soon as possible after the end of Report stage.

The Speaker provisionally proposes to certify, on the basis of the material put before him, that, in respect of the Higher Education and Research Bill as amended on report, in his opinion –

(a) for the purposes of SO No 83L(2), Clause 81 of the Higher Education and Research Bill (Bill 78) relates exclusively to England and Wales and is within devolved legislative competence, as defined in Standing Order No. 83J;

(b) for the purposes of SO No 83L(2), Clause 56 of and Schedule 5 to the Higher Education and Research Bill (Bill 78) relate exclusively to England and are within devolved legislative competence, as defined in Standing Order No. 83J;

(c) for the purposes of SO No 83L(4), the following amendments to the Bill relate exclusively to England:
   Amendments 109, 243, 244 and 245 made in public bill committee to Clause 80 of the Bill as introduced (Bill 4), now Clause 81 of Bill as amended in the public bill committee (Bill 78).

John Bercow
Speaker

17 November 2016