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Selection of Amendments by Mr Speaker

Mr Speaker has selected the amendments below.

1. Independent Complaints and Grievance Scheme (Policy Framework and Assurance Board)

Up to two hours from the start of proceedings on the Business of the House (Today) motion (if that motion is agreed to)

Lucy Powell

That this House notes the report of the House of Commons Commission entitled Independent Complaints and Grievance Scheme: Policy Framework and ICGS Assurance Board ([HC 579](#)), further notes the [Decisions of the Commission](#) on 12 May, and agrees:

- (1) That the ICGS Policy Framework in respect of bullying, harassment and sexual misconduct annexed to the Commission report shall have effect from 14 July 2025.
- (2) There shall be a body called the ICGS Assurance Board.
- (3) The ICGS Assurance Board shall conduct assurance of the Independent Complaints and Grievance Scheme on behalf of the parliamentary community, in accordance with terms of reference published by the House of Commons Commission on 17 December 2024.
- (4) The terms of reference of the Assurance Board may be varied by agreement between the House of Commons Commission and the House of Lords Commission.
- (5) The ICGS Assurance Board shall consist of:
 - (a) the Clerk Assistant,
 - (b) the Clerk Assistant of the House of Lords,
 - (c) the Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards,
 - (d) the Chair of the Independent Expert Panel,
 - (e) a Member of the House of Commons who is a member of the House of Commons Commission, appointed by the Commission,
 - (f) a Member of the House of Lords who is a member of the House of Lords Commission,
 - (g) a representative of the House of Lords Conduct Committee, and
 - (h) a representative of the human resources department from each House Administration.

- (6) The ICGS Assurance Board shall have authority to approve ICGS Procedures, in accordance with the ICGS Policy Framework, provided that:
- (a) nothing in the ICGS Procedures document may amend or override provisions in the Policy Framework;
 - (b) procedures cannot create new obligations for individuals' conduct.
- (7) The policies and procedures relating to bullying and harassment and sexual misconduct endorsed by the House on 19 July 2018 and amended on 17 July 2019, 28 April 2021 and 26 April 2022 shall cease to have effect on 14 July 2025, save that they shall continue to apply to any complaints received on or before 13 July 2025.

Amendment (a)**Sir Christopher Chope****Joy Morrissey**

Paragraph (1), line 5, after “2025” insert “, subject to the removal of paragraphs 7.1, 9.4, 10.3, 13.2, 14.3, 17.7, 17.8 and 18.7”

Amendment (b)**Sir Christopher Chope****Joy Morrissey**

Paragraph (5)(e), line 17, leave out “a Member of the House of Commons who is a member of the House of Commons Commission, appointed by the Commission” and insert “two Members of the House of Commons, elected by the House of Commons”

Amendment (c)**Sir Christopher Chope****Joy Morrissey**

Paragraph 5(f), line 19, leave out “a Member of the House of Lords who is a member of the House of Lords Commission” and insert “two Members of the House of Lords”

Amendment (d)**Sir Christopher Chope****Joy Morrissey**

Leave out paragraph 5(h), line 21

Amendment (e)**Joy Morrissey****Mr Gagan Mohindra****Sir Christopher Chope****Jesse Norman**

Leave out paragraph (6), lines 22 to 26, and paragraph 1.4 of the ICGS Policy Framework

Relevant Documents:

Correspondence from Thea Walton, Director, Independent Complaints and Grievance Scheme to the Leader of the House, on ICGS Policies, deposited in the Library on 9 June 2025 ([DEP2025-0359](#)).