

Northern Ireland Assembly

Water and Sewerage Services Bill Notice of Amendments tabled on 2 December 2015 for Consideration Stage

Clause 3

The Members listed below give notice of their intention to oppose the question that clause 3 stand part of the Bill.

Mr Chris Lyttle Mr Stewart Dickson

New Clause

After clause 6 insert—

'Report on investment needs

7.—(1) Before the end of each review period, the Department must—

- (a) carry out a review of water and sewerage infrastructure investment needs;
- (b) set out the conclusions of the review in a report; and
- (c) lay the report before the Assembly.

(2) The report must in particular set out the assessment of the Department, the water and sewerage undertakers and the utility regulator as to—

- (a) the fitness and adequacy of the infrastructure to carry out essential water and sewerage functions;
- (b) the cost of improvements necessary to maintain reliable and quality supply;
- (c) the likelihood of complying with the Water Framework Directive and other applicable environmental standards;
- (d) the cost of failing to so comply; and
- (e) how finances should be prioritised in order to make necessary reliability, quality and environmental improvements.

(3) In this section, "review period" means-

- (a) the period of twenty four months beginning with the day on which Royal Assent is received, and
- (b) subject to paragraph (4), each successive period of twenty four months.

(4) If a report under this section is laid before the Assembly before the last day of the review period to which it relates, the subsequent review period is to begin with the day on which that report is laid.'

Mr Chris Lyttle Mr Stewart Dickson