



This briefing has been prepared for Peers by the Chartered Trading Standards Institute (CTSI) in support of the second stage of the debate on the Enterprise Bill scheduled for Wednesday 25 November and Monday 30 November 2015.

Amendment 38

We broadly support this amendment. Any review by the Regulatory Policy Committee into the ability of regulators to effectively undertake their duties under the new Bill is welcomed by CTSI.

We support both amendments 12 and 42 in relation to local authorities' ability to charge above cost-recovery rate for the provision of ~~primary authority services~~ for the following reasons:

Local authorities have been continually encouraged by government to take an entrepreneurial approach to raising funds. However, to date, local authorities have been held back in this area due to laws prohibiting them from raising any money, past cost recovery, for the provision of their services.

Local authorities are not permitted to charge above cost-recovery rate for the provision of ~~primary authority services~~ as they are the experts in this field and best practice should be followed to ensure the best service available.

Local authorities should be permitted to enter into an agreement with their clients to



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