



Northern Ireland
Assembly

Domestic Abuse (Safe Leave) Bill
Notice of Amendments tabled on
2 March 2022 for Consideration Stage

New Clause

After clause 3 insert -

‘Code of Practice

3A.—(1) The Department must issue a code of practice.

(2) In developing the code of practice, the Department must—

- (a) consult with the Labour Relations Agency; and
- (b) any other organisation that the Department considers appropriate.

(3) The code of practice must include—

- (a) the responsibilities of employers in safeguarding information provided by victims of domestic abuse;
- (b) the obligations of employees in adhering to the code of practice;
- (c) confidentiality requirements; and
- (d) the potential impact upon victims of domestic abuse where confidentiality is breached.

(4) The Department may review the code of practice from time to time and issue a revised code of practice where the Department thinks it appropriate.’

Mr Stewart Dickson

Clause 4, Page 4, Line 21

After ‘appoint.’ insert ‘Section 3A comes into operation 1 year after Royal Assent.’

Mr Stewart Dickson