



Northern Ireland
Assembly
Deaths, Still-Births and Baby Loss Bill
Annotated Marshalled List of Amendments
Consideration Stage
Tuesday 4 November 2025

Amendments tabled up to 9.30am Wednesday, 22 October 2025 and selected for debate

The Bill will be considered in the following order—

Clauses, Schedule and Long Title

Clause 8

[Question that Clause 8 stand part agreed without division]

The Member listed below gives notice of his intention to oppose the question that clause 8 stand part of the Bill.

Mr Timothy Gaston

Amendment 1

[Made]

Clause 11, Page 5, Line 24

Leave out ‘may’ and insert ‘shall’

Mr Eóin Tennyson

Amendment 2 *[Not moved]*

Clause 11, Page 5, Line 36

Leave out paragraph (e) and insert—

‘(3A) The regulations shall provide that no applicant may be required to pay a fee for a certificate to recognise the loss of a baby during pregnancy.’

Mr Eóin Tennyson

Amendment 3 *[Not moved]*

Clause 11, Page 5, Line 36

Leave out paragraph (e) and insert—

‘(3A) The regulations—

- (a) may not provide for the charging of fees for a certificate (or amended certificate) or for the first copy of a certificate (or amended certificate), but
- (b) may provide for the charging of fees for a second or subsequent copy of a certificate (or amended certificate).’

Mr Paul Frew

Ms Diane Forsythe

Amendment 4 *[Negatived on division]*

Clause 11, Page 5, Line 37

At end insert—

‘(3A) The regulations must include provision specifying that a certificate may contain, if the applicant so requests—

- (a) the name and sex of the baby and any other biographical information; and
- (b) a statement by the applicant recognising the baby as a member of their family.’

Mr Timothy Gaston

Amendment 5 *[Negatived on division]*

Clause 11, Page 5, Line 37

At end insert—

‘(3A) The regulations must provide for the issue of a certificate following a termination of pregnancy.’

Mr Timothy Gaston

Amendment 6 *[Negatived on division]*

Clause 11, Page 6, Line 5

Leave out subsection (5) and insert—

‘(5) Before making regulations under this section, a draft of the regulations must be laid before, and approved by a resolution of, the Assembly.

(6) The first draft of regulations under this section must be laid before the Assembly within the period of 12 weeks beginning with the day on which this Act receives Royal Assent.’

Mr Eóin Tennyson

Schedule *[Question that the Schedule stand part agreed without division]*

The Member listed below gives notice of his intention to oppose the question that the Schedule stand part of the Bill.

Mr Timothy Gaston