

Keir Starmer responds to Government's amendments to the EU withdrawal bill

Keir Starmer MP, Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union, responding to the Government's recent amendments to the EU withdrawal bill, said:

"This is a deeply flawed and damaging piece of legislation. The Government's piecemeal changes are woefully inadequate meaning once again nothing has changed.

"There is nothing to address the fundamental concerns that MPs across Parliament have about watering down workers' and environmental rights, the extreme scope of Henry VIII powers and the disregard of the devolution settlement.

"The bill in its current form would also block any sensible transitional deal with the European Union, and it contradicts the policy laid out in the Prime Minister's Florence Speech.

"Theresa May must rethink her approach or face legitimate opposition from Labour and some of her own MPs."

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