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Starmer, Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for Exiting the EU, following tonight's vote in the House of Commons on the EU Withdrawal Bill, said:

"This is a deeply disappointing result.

"This Bill is an affront to parliamentary democracy and a naked power grab by Government Ministers. It leaves rights unprotected, it silences Parliament on key decisions and undermines the devolution settlement.

"It will make the Brexit process more uncertain, and lead to division and chaos when we need unity and clarity.

"Labour will seek to amend and remove the worst aspects from the Bill as it passes through Parliament. But the flaws are so fundamental it's hard to see how this Bill could ever be made fit for purpose".

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