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Proposed amendments

No. 1 Expert Panels—establishment

Page 24, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292W(5)(a). Insert after line 7—

(iia) for a payment that relates to an affected coal mining region—advice and recommendations given by an Expert Panel established for the region, and

No. 2 Expert Panels—establishment

Page 24, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292X. Insert after line 32—

- (1A) The Minister must establish a Panel for each affected coal mining region, within the meaning of section 292W.
- (1B) To avoid doubt, subsection (1A) does not prevent the Minister establishing Panels for other areas of the State or other Panels.

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No. 1 Royalties for Rejuvenation Fund—consideration of Expert Panel advice

Page 24, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292W(5)(a)(ii), lines 6 and 7. Omit "if requested by the Minister".

- No. 2 Royalties for Rejuvenation Fund—further considerations
 - Page 24, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292W(5)(a). Insert after line 7—
 - (iib) the public interest, and
 - (iic) whether the payment would lead to a negative impact on the environment, and
- No. 3 Royalties for Rejuvenation Fund—public register
 - Page 24, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292W. Insert after line 11—
 - (5A) The Secretary must—
 - (a) keep a public register on the Department's website of all programs and projects funded from the Rejuvenation Fund under subsection (5)(a), and
 - (b) update the register, as soon as practicable after the end of each quarter, with details of projects or programs funded or approved for funding from the Rejuvenation Fund.
- No. 4 Expert Panels—giving advice

Page 24, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292X(2)(a), line 34. Omit "at the request of the Minister,".

- No. 5 Expert Panels—public consultation
 - Page 24, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292X(4)(b). Insert after line 42—

 Example— The regulations may provide that the Expert Panel is to undertake public consultation before giving certain advice or making certain recommendations.
- No. 6 Expert Panels—public register of advice and recommendations

Page 25, Schedule 1[123], proposed section 292X. Insert after line 4—

- (6A) The Secretary must—
 - (a) keep a public register on the Department's website of the following—

- (i) the membership of each Panel,
- (ii) a summary of the advice and recommendations given to the Minister by Panels under this section, and
- (b) update the register as soon as practicable after the end of each quarter.
- (6B) Despite subsection (6A)(a)(ii), the Secretary is not required to record information on the public register if, in the opinion of the Secretary, the information is commercial in confidence.

No. 7 Fit and proper persons—miscellaneous provision

Page 32, Schedule 1[152], proposed section 396(1), line 31. Omit "refused". Insert instead "rejected".

No. 8 Fit and proper persons—miscellaneous provision

Page 32, Schedule 1[152], proposed section 396(1)(d), line 45. Omit "refusal". Insert instead "rejection".