

Building Safety Bill amendments

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In March the government proposed a number of changes to the Building Safety Bill.

The new amendments propose additional protection for leaseholders to prevent them from being charged for cladding work if they own up to three properties. In the previous circulation of the Building Safety Bill the government announced that leaseholders in blocks higher than 11 metres would be prohibited from being charged any money for cladding remediation. The new amendments increase the support for smaller landlords in protecting them from being charged for remediation work.

The amendments also remove the legal requirement to appoint a building safety manager. In the original bill the government proposed that landlords managing high rise buildings must recruit a building safety manager. The new amendments remove this requirement to help avoid unnecessary costs and will allow the obligations of building safety to fall on the building owner.

We recommend keeping a close eye on amendments as the Bill progresses in order to be prepared for adoption of the final Bill.

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