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Establish a requirement on local authorities to transfer certain statistics relating to nationality to the Office for National Statistics; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Amendment to the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007

- (1) The Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007 (c. 18) is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 47 insert—

“47A Power to provide for a duty of disclosure to the Board

- (1) The Minister for the Cabinet Office shall make regulations placing a duty on local authorities to disclose certain information to the Board where—
 - (a) the disclosure would otherwise be prohibited by a rule of law or an Act passed before this Act, or
 - (b) the authority would not otherwise have power to make the disclosure.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may only authorise disclosure to enable the Board to carry out one or more of its functions.
- (3) Information required to be disclosed under regulations under subsection (1) shall include all information held by a local authority relating to the nationality of those resident within its boundaries.
- (4) For the purposes of this section “local authority” shall have such meaning as may be prescribed in regulations made under subsection (1).”
- (3) In subsection (4) of section 65 (orders and regulations), after “47(11),” insert “47A,”.

2 Short title and extent

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Foreign Nationals (Statistics) Act 2008.
- (2) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Foreign Nationals (Statistics) Bill

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