



# Environment Act 2021

## 2021 CHAPTER 30

### PART 1

#### ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE

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#### IMPROVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

##### *Environmental protection: statements and reports*

#### **21 Reports on international environmental protection legislation**

- (1) The Secretary of State must report on developments in international environmental protection legislation which appear to the Secretary of State to be significant.
- (2) “International environmental protection legislation” means legislation of countries and territories outside the United Kingdom, and international organisations, that is mainly concerned with environmental protection.
- (3) The Secretary of State must report under this section in relation to each reporting period.
- (4) The reporting periods are—
  - (a) the 2 year period beginning with the day on which this section comes into force, and
  - (b) each subsequent 2 year period.
- (5) A report under this section may consider—
  - (a) particular countries, territories or international organisations, or
  - (b) particular aspects of environmental protection,as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.

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- (6) A report under this section must be laid before Parliament, and published, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of the reporting period to which it relates.

**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 21 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 147\(3\)](#)  
**I2** [S. 21](#) in force at 1.4.2022 by [S.I. 2022/48](#), [reg. 3](#)

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