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Government reaches out to Pro-Abortion GSD to work together on draft Bill

The Government notes that the GSD says it has reached a pro-abortion consensus, but that it would only do so in the context of a new law does that not exceed the requirements of the decision of the United Kingdom Supreme Court Act.

We therefore ask the pro-abortion GSD to co-operate with the Government by responding (and to respond) to the Command Paper consultation with a draft of such a law.

The one thing that we consult on in the Command Paper that goes further in our draft relates to instances of abortions in cases of non-fatal serious disabilities. These are the abortions that the pro-abortion GSD was approving, supporting and funding via the GHA when it was in Government. The Government asks the pro-abortion GSD why it considers that was right for Keith Azopardi and all its other Ministers for Health to approve, support and fund such abortions, but now it suggests it won't support a law that provides for it.

The Government is prepared to listen to views of the pro-abortion GSD and the whole of the Community on all aspects of the law. We want to see the GSD (them) respond with details of the changes to the law that the pro-abortion GSD would support, as it may be possible to find a consensus of the whole House on this sensitive subject."