

The Whistleblowing APPG Bill does not clearly compel investigation of concerns, or action to correct wrongdoing, just compliance with administrative standards eg. correct method

The relevant sections of the APPG Bill are:

“6 Standards for handling protected disclosures

- (1) The Office shall set minimum standards for relevant persons in carrying out their duties under section 3.*
- (2)*
- (2) Standards for handling protected disclosures shall include requirements for—*
 - (a) preserving the confidentiality and anonymity of the whistleblower;*
 - (b) screening, assessment and investigation methods;*
 - (c) referrals to other relevant regulatory or other bodies, both in the United Kingdom and foreign ; (d) information to be provided to the whistleblower; and*
 - (e) information to be reported to the Office.*
- (f) Any other matters as may to the Office seem appropriate*

(3) The Office may make such provision as may to it appear appropriate for the accreditation of whistleblowing schemes operated by a relevant persons as meeting the standards referred to under this section (an “accredited scheme”).”

And

“9 Action notices

- 1) If the Office is of the opinion that a person—*
 - (a) is contravening one or more standards specified in section 6, or*
 - (b) has contravened one or more of those standards in circumstances which make it likely that the contravention will continue or be repeated, it may issue a written notice (an “action notice”) which requires the person to take, or refrain from taking, such steps as are specified in the notice.”*