

Wednesday 6 December 2017 at 3.00pm

**Oral Questions, 30 minutes*

***Baroness Quin** to ask Her Majesty's Government what are their priorities concerning health policy in the Brexit negotiations.

***Lord Vinson** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Vere of Norbiton on 20 November (HL2876), what assessment they have made of the impact on freedom of speech of the definition of hate crime recently adopted by the Crown Prosecution Service to facilitate the reporting of incidents which is wider than the legal definition of such crime under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and the Criminal Justice Act 2003.

***Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to introduce mandatory electrical safety checks in the private rented sector.

***Lord Storey** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to restrict the sale of video games featuring domestic violence and child abuse.

Lord Duncan of Springbank intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.

Scotland Act 1998 (Insolvency Functions) Order 2017 Lord Duncan of Springbank to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 14 September be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 29 November*

Scotland Act 1998 (Specification of Devolved Tax) (Wild Fisheries) Order 2017 Lord Duncan of Springbank to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 14 September be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 29 November*

Pension Schemes Act 2015 (Transitional Provisions and Appropriate Independent Advice) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2017 Baroness Buscombe to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 10 July be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 29 November*

Telecommunications Infrastructure (Relief from Non-Domestic Rates) Bill Third Reading [Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth]

Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL] Committee (day 3) [Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon] *7th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee, 8th Report from the Constitution Committee*

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[†] indicates that the member concerned has a relevant registered interest.



Lord McAvoy to move that this House regrets that Her Majesty's Government have introduced the Social Security (Restrictions on Amounts for Children and Qualifying Young Persons) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017 without proper consideration of the impact of the disclosure requirements in section 5 of the Criminal Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1967, and the effect this policy will have on women in Northern Ireland who are in a position to disclose personal information and third parties who may facilitate a disclosure; and notes, with concern, that the regulations have been introduced at a time when a serving Northern Ireland Executive has not been established (SR 2017/79). *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (Dinner break business)*

Grand Committee in Moses Room at 3.45pm

Small Business Commissioner (Scope and Scheme) Regulations 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Henley]

Unified Patent Court (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Henley]

Designs (International Registration of Industrial Designs) Order 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Henley]

Pharmacy (Preparation and Dispensing Errors—Registered Pharmacies) Order 2018 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Chisholm of Owlpen] *11th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth]

The following two motions are expected to be debated together.

Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (Amendment) Order 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Young of Cookham]

Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Young of Cookham]

The following two motions are expected to be debated together.

Communications Act 2003 and the Digital Economy Act 2017 (Consequential Amendments to Primary Legislation) Regulations 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Ashton of Hyde]

Electronic Communications Code (Jurisdiction) Regulations 2017 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Ashton of Hyde]

Lord Rosser to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the Criminal Justice (European Investigation Order) Regulations 2017 (SI 2017/730). *4th and 5th Reports from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Future Business

Thursday 7 December 2017 at 11.00am

†Royal Assent

***Baroness Gardner of Parkes** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support councils to provide emergency housing to help those who have been made unintentionally homeless.

***Baroness Hollins** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps are they taking to support (1) the care sector, and (2) those receiving care, in the light of the retrospective change in guidance on the application of the national minimum wage to sleep-in shifts for care workers.

***Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of youth orchestras in the United Kingdom and the frequency of their performances, and what steps they are taking to support youth orchestras, particularly in the light of Brexit.

†***Lord Robathan** to ask Her Majesty's Government what are their red lines in their negotiations with the European Union over Brexit.

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to move that this House takes note of Her Majesty's Government's plans to ensure that regulation is balanced, cost-effective, easy to understand, and properly enforced.

Lord Luce to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the situation in Zimbabwe; and what plans they have to work internationally to facilitate the recovery of that country. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

The Earl of Caithness to move that this House takes note of Her Majesty's Government's plans to improve the natural environment and animal welfare.

Lord Pearson of Rannoch to ask Her Majesty's Government whether, as part of their strategy against Islamist terrorism, they will encourage UK Muslim leaders to re-examine the Muslim tenets of abrogation, Taqiyya and Al Hijra and to publish their conclusions. (*1½ hours*)

Friday 8 December 2017 at 10.00am

The Lord Archbishop of Canterbury to move that this House takes note of the role of education in building a flourishing and skilled society.

Monday 11 December 2017 at 2.30pm

***Lord Teverson** to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they are having with the European Union concerning whether those United Kingdom citizens who wish to retain their European citizenship post-Brexit may do so.

***Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of local welfare assistance schemes in meeting need.

***Baroness Sherlock** to ask Her Majesty's Government why kinship carers who subsequently have their own child are not exempt from the two child limit.

***Lord Soley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what guidance is given to Ministers in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office concerning the diplomatic skills required for the performance of their duties.

Data Protection Bill [HL] Report [Lord Ashton of Hyde]

Baroness Cox to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of recent developments in Sudan and South Sudan. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

Tuesday 12 December 2017 at 2.30pm

Lord Houghton of Richmond will be introduced.

***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many people with a diagnosis of atrial fibrillation who were admitted to hospital with a stroke in 2016–17 were not on an appropriate anti-coagulation therapy prior to admission.

***Baroness Walmsley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of doctors from European Economic Area states working in the United Kingdom who may be planning to leave the NHS after the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union.

***Baroness Pinnock** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that the £8.4 billion of European Structural Investment Funds allocated to local government for the 2014–20 period is made available for the support of businesses and infrastructure improvements and that an equivalent value of funding is available for the period after 2020.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 6 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 8 December.*

It is expected that the Committee stage of the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL] will continue, and that it will conclude.

Lord Cashman to ask Her Majesty's Government what are their human rights priorities in the light of Brexit. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

Wednesday 13 December 2017 at 3.00pm

***Lord Chidgey** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether, in the interests of broadening Commonwealth influence, they propose to provide observer or similar status to non-Commonwealth member countries to attend the 2018 Commonwealth Summit in London.

***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask Her Majesty's Government what progress is being made towards establishing a single national standard for household recycling.

***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number and percentage of students who will pay back their student loans in full.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 7 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 11 December.*

It is expected that the Report stage of the Data Protection Bill [HL] will continue.

†**Baroness Scott of Needham Market** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will further consider transitional arrangements for state pension provision for women born in the 1950s. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

Thursday 14 December 2017 at 11.00am

***Lord Beith** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the likely impact of measures announced in the Budget on the north east of England.

***Lord Anderson of Swansea** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of revelations contained in the Paradise Papers, particularly in relation to the British Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies.

***Lord Addington** to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the transfer of responsibilities relating to Disabled Students' Allowances for some students to higher education providers, whether they intend to publish a best practice guide for those institutions; if so, when; and if not, why not.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 8 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 12 December.*

Baroness Dean of Thornton-le-Fylde to move that this House takes note of the report by the Children's Commissioner for England, *On measuring the number of vulnerable children in England*, published in July.

†**Lord Bird** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to address the root causes of poverty and disadvantage in the United Kingdom. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

Lord Bach to move that this House takes note of the report of the Bach Commission, *The Right to Justice*, published in September.

Friday 15 December 2017 at 10.00am

Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Hamwee]

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Hamwee to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Immigration Control (Gross Human Rights Abuses) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws]

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Local Government Elections (Referendum) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Balfe]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Balfe to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Monday 18 December 2017 at 2.30pm

***Lord Holmes of Richmond** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to enforce minimum wage legislation to end the practice of unpaid internships, and whether they have considered any legislative change.

***Baroness Sheehan** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Disaster and Emergencies Preparedness Programme.

***Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Lord Nash on 23 November 2016 (HL Deb, col 1947), what progress they have made with testing new approaches to mental health assessments for looked-after children which were due to commence in April or May this year.

***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they plan to take to improve surveillance of the United Kingdom's borders, including at smaller ports and harbours, coastal waters and private airstrips.

†**Procedure** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the 2nd Report from the Select Committee *Revisions of Private Business Standing Orders* (HL Paper 34), and the proposed changes to those Standing Orders, be agreed to.

Tuesday 19 December 2017 at 2.30pm

***Lord Naseby** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they plan to review their policy on capping domestic energy prices in the light of measures taken by the energy industry to change tariffs to help those most at risk, and to increase competition.

***Viscount Ridley** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether, in the light of Public Health England's decision to include vaping within its stop smoking campaign for 2017, they will review vaping regulations in line with the commitment in the Tobacco Control Plan for England; and if so, when.

***Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support women to use the legal system to challenge sexual harassment in the workplace. [I]

Lord Burns to move that this House takes note of the Report of the Lord Speaker's committee on the size of the House.

Wednesday 20 December 2017 at 3.00pm

***Lord Oxburgh** to ask Her Majesty's Government when and how they intend to respond to the September 2016 report of the Parliamentary Advisory Group on Carbon Capture and Storage.

***Baroness Cox** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the current situation in Syria.

***Lord Thomas of Gresford** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will publish the advice they received from the Attorney General on the revocability of the notice to the European Council that was given by the Prime Minister on 29 March 2017, in accordance with Article 50(2) of the Treaty on European Union, of the United Kingdom's intention to withdraw from the European Union.

Thursday 21 December 2017 at 11.00am

***Lord Greaves** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the impact of the United Kingdom leaving the European Union on the provision of housing that people can afford. [I]

***Lord Shipley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of social homes that will be built as a consequence of the Budget Statement. [I]

***Baroness Hussein-Ece** to ask Her Majesty's Government what equalities impact assessment they have undertaken into the implications of Brexit.

†*Topical Question for Short Debate. Ballot opens at 10am on Monday 11 December, to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 12 December*

Baroness Walmsley to move that this House takes note of the global effects of climate change on health. (*Balloted Debate, 2½ hours*)

Lord Carrington of Fulham to move that this House takes note of the impact of the trade in ivory on endangered species, and of the efforts being made to eliminate that trade while protecting the cultural heritage of antique ivory. (*Balloted Debate, 2½ hours*)

Select Committee Reports

The date on which the report was published is in italics.

Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: justice for families, individuals and businesses?* (17th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 134). *20 March*

Lord Whitty to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: trade in non-financial services* (18th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 135). *22 March*

Lord Boswell of Aynho to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: the Crown Dependencies* (19th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 136). *23 March*

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Select Committee on Financial Exclusion *Tackling Financial Exclusion: A country that works for everyone?* (Session 2016–17, HL Paper 132). *25 March*

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Select Committee on the Licensing Act 2003 *The Licensing Act 2003: post-legislative scrutiny* (Session 2016–17, HL Paper 146). *4 April*

Lord Patel to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Select Committee on the Long-term Sustainability of the NHS *The Long-term Sustainability of the NHS and Adult Social Care* (Session 2016–17, HL Paper 151). *5 April*

Baroness Pitkeathley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Select Committee on Charities *Stronger charities for a stronger society* (Session 2016–17, HL Paper 133). *26 March*

Lord Forsyth of Drumlean to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Brexit and the Labour Market* (1st Report, HL Paper 11). *21 July*

Baroness Verma to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Operation Sophia: a failed mission* (2nd Report, HL Paper 5). *12 July*

Lord Best to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications Committee *Skills for theatre: Developing the pipeline of talent* (3rd Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 170). *3 May*

The Earl of Selborne to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *Connected and Autonomous Vehicles: The future?* (2nd Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 115). *15 March*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Lord Kirkwood of Kirkhope to move that this House regrets that the Universal Credit (Housing Costs Element for Claimants Aged 18 to 21) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 have been published without the guidance which will be key to understanding how the legislation will work in practice (SI 2017/252). *28th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17*

Lord German to move that this House regrets that the Social Security Benefit Up-rating Regulations 2017 do not take account of the impact of leaving the European Union on the state pensions of United Kingdom citizens living in the European Union (SI 2017/349).

Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to move that this House regrets that the Universal Credit (Tenant Incentive Scheme) Amendment Regulations 2017 may disadvantage some of the poorest members of society (SI 2017/427).

Baroness Suttie to move that this House regrets that the draft Transparency of Donations and Loans etc. (Northern Ireland Political Parties) Order 2018 does not provide for transparency of political donations in Northern Ireland dating back to 1 January 2014 as provided for in the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014, thereby preventing proper scrutiny of donations to political parties in Northern Ireland during the European Union referendum campaign.

Lord Foulkes of Cumnock to move that this House regrets that the draft Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2017 includes provisions relating to the British Transport Police; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to review the operation of those provisions in the light of concerns that incorporating British Transport Police into Police Scotland will reduce operational effectiveness.

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 5 December and due for answer by 19 December.

Lord Adonis to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they made of the impact on the budget of the Department for Transport of the changes to the franchising regime announced on 29 November; and whether the Department agreed those changes in advance with Her Majesty's Treasury. HL3866

Lord Adonis to ask Her Majesty's Government which external consultants were engaged to assist or advise on the new policy on rail franchising announced on 29 November. HL3867

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have identified any of the local leaders given support through the Department for International Development's Somalia programmes as having strong links to Al Shabab; and if so, how many, and which, leaders. HL3868

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask Her Majesty's Government how much has been provided to Adam Smith International for the delivery of (1) the Department for International Development's, and (2) the Conflict, Stability and Security Fund's, Somalia programmes in each of the past five years. HL3869

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the decision of the East of England Co-op to sell food after the best-before date, in order to help reduce food waste; and whether they intend to encourage other supermarket chains to do the same. HL3870

Lord Beecham to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to protect local authorities from the loss of business rate income that has been identified as a consequence of bringing forward CPI uprating in the 2017 Autumn Budget policy costings. HL3871 [I]

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government, following recent comments by the Chief Executive and General Secretary of the Royal College of Nurses, Janet Davies, what steps they are taking to (1) encourage people without a fixed address to register with a GP's surgery, (2) prevent homeless people being discharged from mental health hospitals back on to the streets, and (3) invest in specialist mental health care for homeless people. HL3872

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government what changes they intend to make to the (1) education, and (2) qualification, systems, including early years, secondary, and further education, to ensure that young people are at the forefront of the fourth industrial revolution. HL3873

Lord Bradley to ask Her Majesty's Government what training is available for clinical reviewers for structured judgment reviews within NHS Trusts. HL3874 [I]

Lord Bradley to ask Her Majesty's Government what was the net change in the number of housing units in England in each of the last 30 years. HL3875

Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they propose to take on the findings of the Care Quality Commission report *Substance misuse services: the quality and safety of residential detoxification*. HL3876

Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the (1) strength of, (2) organisation of, (3) activities of, (4) external links of, and (5) threats posed by Boko Haram in West Africa. HL3877

Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty's Government, for each of the last five years including this year to date, how many Commonwealth citizens have been detained following residence in the UK for over (1) 30, (2) 40, and (3) 50, years, (a) following a criminal conviction, (b) after a failure to provide sufficient evidence showing proof of residence, and (c) for other reasons; and in each case how many were subsequently deported. HL3878

Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the costs of the damage to (1) Aleppo, (2) Raqqa, and (3) other towns and villages in northern Syria, following recent fighting; which bodies have responsibility for the reconstruction of those areas; and what discussions they have held, or plan to hold, with other governments and agencies on these matters. HL3879

Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the costs of the damage to Mosul and other towns and villages in northern Iraq following recent fighting; which bodies have responsibility for the reconstruction of those areas; and what discussions they have held, or plan to hold, with other governments and agencies on these matters. HL3880

Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty's Government how many EU citizens have been detained in the UK, in each of the last five years including the present year to date, on the grounds of being (1) homeless, and (2) unable to support themselves; of those, how many have subsequently been deported; and how many of those (a) detained, and (b) deported, were children. HL3881

Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty's Government what will be the process for obtaining planning permission for a small modular reactor nuclear power station. HL3882

Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to ask Her Majesty's Government when they expect to announce their plans for the future setting of the Ogden Rate. HL3883

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of NHS Foundation Trusts selling off, in whole or in part, to the private sector, wholly owned subsidiaries providing services directly to those Trusts. HL3884

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the Framework for Data Processing by Government provisions in the Data Protection Bill on the Cabinet Office strategy to make better use of data. HL3885

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the reply by Lord Henley on 4 December (HL Deb, col 850), what steps they intend to take to manage the risk of high electricity costs arising from the Hinkley Point C plant, particularly with regard to (1) poor people, and (2) commercial users. HL3886

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the government of the Philippines about (1) investigations into the death of Kian delos Santos, (2) the circumstances of the deaths of 3,900 "drug personalities", and (3) the deaths of 2,000 others for drug-related crimes. HL3887

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what means they have identified by which the Palestinian people may exercise their right to self-determination; and if none, whether they will refer that issue to UN and other international agencies. HL3888

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the government of Israel about any further house demolitions or destructions of education premises in Area C of the West Bank and the possibility of such actions being treated as forced transfers of population, in contravention of international law. HL3889

Lord Lee of Trafford to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of UK nationals resident in South Korea. HL3890

Lord Lee of Trafford to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the reply by Earl Howe on 5 December, what percentage of defence capital spending on procurement from overseas is currency hedged. HL3891

Lord Luce to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to incorporate the history of the Commonwealth into the national curriculum. HL3892

Lord Luce to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that schools find ways of using modern technology to learn about today's Commonwealth prior to the Commonwealth Summit in London in April 2018. HL3893

Lord Luce to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage performing arts organisations, museums and galleries to celebrate the Commonwealth prior to the Commonwealth Summit in London in April 2018. HL3894

Lord Luce to ask Her Majesty's Government what support they are providing to the Commonwealth Secretariat and British Council joint programme *Commonwealth Class*. HL3895

Lord Luce to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage local authorities to celebrate the Commonwealth prior to the Commonwealth Summit in London in April 2018. HL3896

Baroness Masham of Ilton to ask Her Majesty's Government whether the UK will continue to be involved in both clinical trials and the development of new medicines by the European Medicines Agency following its re-location to the Netherlands. HL3897

Baroness Masham of Ilton to ask Her Majesty's Government how they intend to ensure that there will be no delay in accessing new therapies following the re-location of the European Medicines Agency to the Netherlands. HL3898

Baroness Masham of Ilton to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on the safety of clinical trials and new medicines of the European Medicines Agency's re-location to the Netherlands. HL3899

Lord Ouseley to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Buscombe on 28 November (HL3456), how they monitor the accumulated impact of welfare benefit changes on different groups; and what assessment they have made of that impact. HL3900

Lord Ouseley to ask Her Majesty's Government how they (1) assess, (2) evaluate, and (3) effectively manage, improvements in social mobility. HL3901

Lord Radice to ask Her Majesty's Government how they define the phrase "regulatory alignment". HL3902

Lord Radice to ask Her Majesty's Government what contacts each Government department has had with the Legatum Institute over the last 12 months. HL3903

Lord Ramsbotham to ask Her Majesty's Government whether the independent review of mental health legislation will review those sections of the Mental Health Act 1983 that apply to (1) prisoners, and (2) those charged with offences. HL3904

Lord Ramsbotham to ask Her Majesty's Government what is the current provision of medium and low secure beds in England; and what percentage of those beds are occupied. HL3905

Lord Ramsbotham to ask Her Majesty's Government what progress they have made with plans to collect and report the length of stays in secure inpatient care. HL3906

Lord Scriven to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon on 5 December (HL3404), whether in regularly urging Turkey to work towards full protection of fundamental rights, they have specifically raised the banning of all events by lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex rights groups in Ankara by the city's governor. HL3907

Lord Stoddart of Swindon to ask Her Majesty's Government whether there are any circumstances in which they would consider withdrawing from the EU Treaties before 29 March 2019. HL3908

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government what role they see for small modular reactors in the UK's future energy mix. HL3909

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government what they estimate will be the components of the UK's energy mix in (1) 2030, and (2) 2050. HL3910

Lord Turnberg to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the incidence of childhood dental decay in (1) those regions where the water supply is fluoridated, and (2) those where it is not. HL3911

Lord Turnberg to ask Her Majesty's Government what is the current vacancy rate for nurses and midwives in the UK. HL3912

Lord Turnberg to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have for the recruitment of nurses and midwives in the next three years. HL3913

Lord Turnberg to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they anticipate a reduction in the number of nurses and midwives from EU countries coming to the UK after Brexit; if so, by how much; and what assessment they have made of the impact on the NHS of any such reduction. HL3914

Lord Turnberg to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of nurses and midwives from other EU countries who have returned to their country of origin in the last two years. HL3915

Lord Vinson to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the provisional finding by the Competition and Markets Authority that the anticipated acquisition by Tesco plc of Booker Group plc "may not be expected to result in a substantial lessening of competition". HL3916

Baroness Walmsley to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to hold a consultation exercise on social care provision for adults of working age, with a particular focus on those with learning disabilities; and if so, what are the details of the work streams and timetable. HL3917

Lord West of Spithead to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Earl Howe on 5 December, how many Royal Navy and Royal Fleet Auxiliary ships are in commission on 5 December; and how many will be in commission on (1) 1 December 2020, (2) 1 December 2025, and (3) 1 December 2030. HL3918

Questions unanswered after 10 working days

The questions asked on the dates shown in bold were due for answer by the dates in brackets. The Government department responsible for answering each Question is shown in square brackets.

20 November (4 December)

HL3414 Lord West of Spithead [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

21 November (5 December)

HL3429 Lord Empey [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3434 Lord Jones [Department for Communities and Local Government]

HL3435 Lord Jones [Department for Communities and Local Government]

HL3454 Lord Marks of Henley-on-Thames [Ministry of Justice]

Number of questions allocated to each department which are unanswered after 10 working days

Department for Communities and Local Government (2)

Foreign and Commonwealth Office (2)

Ministry of Justice (1)

Bills in Progress

| | Type of Bill | To be considered |
|---|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Waiting for Second Reading | | |
| Succession to Peerages Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | 15 December |
| Conscientious Objection (Medical Activities) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| House of Lords Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Immigration Control (Gross Human Rights Abuses) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | 15 December |
| Local Government Elections (Referendum) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | 15 December |
| Registration of Marriage Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Open Skies Agreement (Membership) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Ecumenical Marriage Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Family Relationships (Impact Assessment and Targets) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Criminal Records Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Bat Habitats Regulation Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Amendment) (Sibling Couples) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Divorce (Financial Provision) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Duchy of Cornwall Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Children Act 1989 (Amendment) (Female Genital Mutilation) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| European Union (Information, etc.) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Anonymity (Arrested Persons) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| BBC (Independence) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Local Housing Authority Debt Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Access to Palliative Care Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Cohabitation Rights Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Voting Age (Reduction) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Abortion (Foetus Protection) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Extension of Franchise (House of Lords) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| EEA Nationals (Indefinite Leave to Remain) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Victims of Crime (Rights, Entitlements, and Notification of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Schools (Mental Health and Wellbeing) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Policing Resources Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Certificate of Loss Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Opticians Act 1989 (Amendment) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Digital Economy Act 2017 (Amendment) (Definition of Extreme Pornography) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Marriage Act 1949 (Amendment) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Right to Die at Home Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Learning Disabilities (Review of Services) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| European Union (Referendum on the Withdrawal Agreement) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |

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| Road Traffic Offenders (Surrender of Driving Licences Etc) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Elections and Referendums (Advertising) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Abortion (Disability Equality) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Heritage Railways and Tramways (Voluntary Work) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (Legal Advice and Appeals) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| BBC Licence Fee Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Cosmetic Surgery (Standards) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Awards for Valour (Protection) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Modern Slavery (Transparency in Supply Chains) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Property Boundaries (Resolution of Disputes) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Amendment) (Mixed Sex Couples) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Genocide Determination Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Kew Gardens (Leases) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Carbon Emission Reductions Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Automatic Electoral Registration Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Committed to an Unopposed Bill Committee | | |
| Richmond Burgage Pastures Bill [HL] | Private | |
| University of London Bill [HL] | Private | |
| City of London Corporation (Open Spaces) Bill | Private | 13 December, 12 noon |
| Committed to a Committee of the Whole House | | |
| House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) Bill [HL] (<i>Queen's consent to be signified</i>) | Private Member's | |
| Age of Criminal Responsibility Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Modern Slavery (Victim Support) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Asset Freezing (Compensation) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Unpaid Work Experience (Prohibition) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Democratic Political Activity (Funding and Expenditure) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL] | Government | 6 December |
| Equality Act 2010 (Amendment) (Disabled Access) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Home Education (Duty of Local Authorities) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Creditworthiness Assessment Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Waiting for Report | | |
| Data Protection Bill [HL] (<i>Queen's and Prince of Wales's consents to be signified</i>) | Government | 11 December |
| Waiting for Third Reading | | |
| Telecommunications Infrastructure (Relief from Non-Domestic Rates) Bill | Government | 6 December |
| Sent to the Commons | | |
| Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Space Industry Bill [HL] | Government | |

Waiting for Royal Assent

European Union (Approvals) Bill

Government 7 December

Statutory Instruments in Progress**Affirmative Instruments waiting for consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments**

Draft Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 (Consequential Amendments, Savings and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2017

Draft Sub-national Transport Body (Transport for the North) Regulations 2017 *11th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Draft European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002 (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Draft Transparency of Donations and Loans etc. (Northern Ireland Political Parties) Order 2018

Draft Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (England) Regulations 2017

Draft Armed Forces Act 2006 (Amendment of Schedule 2) Order 2017

Draft Housing and Planning Act 2016 (Banning Order Offences) Regulations 2017

Draft Judicial Pensions (Fee-Paid Judges) (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Draft Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 (Amendments to Audit Requirements) Order 2017

Draft Higher Education (Access and Participation Plans) (England) Regulations 2017

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Hunting Act 2004 (Exempt Hunting) (Amendment) Order 2015 *7th Report, Session 2015–16, from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Non-Contentious Probate Fees Order 2017 *26th Report, Session 2016–17, from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, 28th Report, Session 2016–17, from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Trade Union (Deduction of Union Subscriptions from Wages in the Public Sector) Regulations 2017 *29th Report, Session 2016–17, from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Unified Patent Court (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Pension Schemes Act 2015 (Transitional Provisions and Appropriate Independent Advice) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Small Business Commissioner (Scope and Scheme) Regulations 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2017

Draft Scotland Act 1998 (Insolvency Functions) Order 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Scotland Act 1998 (Specification of Devolved Tax) (Wild Fisheries) Order 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Communications Act 2003 and the Digital Economy Act 2017 (Consequential Amendments to Primary Legislation) Regulations 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Designs (International Registration of Industrial Designs) Order 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Electronic Communications Code (Jurisdiction) Regulations 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft European Union (Definition of Treaties) (Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement) (Kazakhstan) Order 2017

Draft European Union (Definition of Treaties) (Partnership and Cooperation Agreement) (Turkmenistan) Order 2017

Draft Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (Amendment) Order 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 *(6 December)*

Draft Pharmacy (Preparation and Dispensing Errors—Registered Pharmacies) Order 2018 *11th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 December)*

Draft Policing and Crime Act 2017 (Maritime Enforcement Powers: Code of Practice) Regulations 2017

Negative Instruments

Universal Credit (Housing Costs Element for Claimants Aged 18 to 21) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 *28th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17. Praying time expired 22 April.*

Universal Credit (Tenant Incentive Scheme) Amendment Regulations 2017 *31st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17. Praying time expired 29 June.*

Social Security Benefit Up-rating Regulations 2017 *Not reported by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expired 22 June.*

Criminal Justice (European Investigation Order) Regulations 2017 *4th and 5th Reports from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expired 27 October. (6 December)*

Social Security (Restrictions on Amounts for Children and Qualifying Young Persons) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expired 19 July.*

Water Abstraction (Specified Enactments) Regulations 2017 *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 14 December.*

Water Abstraction and Impounding (Exemptions) Regulations 2017 *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 14 December.*

Water Abstraction (Revocations etc.) (England) Order 2017 *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 14 December.*

Water Abstraction (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2017 *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 14 December.*

Other Instruments

Draft Airports National Policy Statement: new runway capacity and infrastructure at airports in the South East of England

Revised Draft Airports National Policy Statement: new runway capacity and infrastructure at airports in the South East of England *Scrutiny period expires 23 March 2018*

Retirements

The following members of the House have given notice of their intention to retire.

Lord Condon (21 December)

Lord MacLaurin of Knebworth (22 December)

Lord Blyth of Rowington (1 January 2018)

Lord Clinton-Davis (10 January 2018)

COMMITTEES

Committees

Unless otherwise indicated, Committees meet in the Lords' rooms in the Committee Corridor. Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below. Further details of these meetings, and of planned further meetings, may be found in the House of Lords Committees Weekly Bulletin.

Wednesday 6 December

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| Constitution Committee | Room 1 | 10.15am |
| House of Lords Commission | The Lord Speaker's Office | 10.30am |
| International Relations Committee | Room 4 | 10.30am |
| EU Home Affairs Sub-Committee | Room 3A | 10.30am |
| Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee | Room 2A | 10.30am |
| Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee) | Room 7 | 3.45pm |
| Human Rights (Joint Committee) | Room 1 | 3.45pm |

Thursday 7 December

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| EU External Affairs Sub-Committee | Room 1 | 10.00am |
| Political Polling and Digital Media Committee | Millbank House | 3.30pm |

Monday 11 December

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| EU Financial Affairs Sub-Committee | Room 1 | 4.00pm |
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Tuesday 12 December

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| Science and Technology Committee | Room 4A | 10.00am |
| EU Justice Sub-Committee | Room 3 | 11.00am |
| Artificial Intelligence Committee | Room 4A | 3.15pm |
| Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee | Room 3A | 3.45pm |

Wednesday 13 December

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| Citizenship and Civic Engagement Committee | Room 3A | 10.30am |
| Finance Committee | Other (Parliamentary Estate) | 4.15pm |

Thursday 14 December

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| Services Committee | Other (Parliamentary Estate) | 2.00pm |
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Wednesday 20 December

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| EU Energy and Environment Sub-Committee | Room 2 | 10.30am |
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Monday 15 January

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| Liaison Committee | Room 1 | 4.30pm |
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Monday 5 March

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| Procedure Committee | Room 1 | 5.00pm |
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Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday 5 December 2017

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford.

1 **Oath** Tessa Jane Helen Douglas Baroness Jowell took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

Select Committee Reports

2 Secondary Legislation Scrutiny

The 12th Report from the Select Committee was made and ordered to be printed. (HL Paper 45)

3 European Union

The following Report from the Select Committee was made and ordered to be printed:

Brexit: deal or no deal. (7th Report, HL Paper 46)

Public Business

4 **Rural poverty** A question was asked by Baroness Jones of Whitchurch and answered by Lord Gardiner of Kimble.

5 **Brexit: Irish border** A question was asked by Lord Dykes and answered by Lord Callanan.

6 **Royal Navy: staffing** A question was asked by Lord West of Spithead and answered by Earl Howe.

7 **Nepal** A question was asked by the Earl of Sandwich and answered by Baroness Goldie.

8 **Terrorist attacks** Earl Howe repeated a ministerial statement made in the House of Commons.

9 **Brexit negotiations** Lord Callanan repeated as a ministerial statement the answer given to an Urgent Question in the House of Commons.

10 **Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Search, Seizure and Detention of Property: Code of Practice) Order 2018** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 23 October be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

11 **Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Cash Searches: Code of Practice) Order 2018** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 23 October be approved. The motion was agreed to.

12 **Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Recovery of Listed Assets: Code of Practice) (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2018** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 23 October be approved. The motion was agreed to.

13 **Criminal Finances Act 2017 (Consequential Amendment) Regulations 2018** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 23 October be approved. The motion was agreed to.

14 **Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigations: Code of Practice) Order 2018** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 23 October be approved. The motion was agreed to.

15 **Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigative Powers of Prosecutors: Code of Practice) Order 2018** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 23 October be approved. The motion was agreed to.

16 **Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice for Authorised Officers) Order 2018** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 23 October be approved. The motion was agreed to.

17 Trade and Customs policy Baroness Fairhead moved that this House takes note of the future of United Kingdom trade and customs policy in the light of Her Majesty's Government's white papers *Preparing for our future UK trade policy* (Cm 9470) and *Customs Bill: legislating for the UK's future customs* (Cm 9502). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 8.45pm until Wednesday 6 December at 3.00pm.

Ed Ollard
Clerk of the Parliaments

Papers

All statutory instruments laid before the House are accompanied by an Explanatory Memorandum presented by command of Her Majesty, unless otherwise indicated.

Command Paper

The following paper was presented to the House by command of Her Majesty:

1. Children—Report of the Macur Review: An independent review of the Tribunal of Inquiry into the abuse of children in care in the former county council areas of Gwynedd and Clwyd in North Wales since 1974. (—)

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

1. Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products Regulations 2017 (1127)
2. Control of Mercury (Enforcement) Regulations 2017 (1200)
3. Employment Rights Act 1996 and Pension Schemes Act 1993 (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (1205)
4. Radio Equipment Regulations 2017 (1206)