

**Thursday 7 December 2017 at 11.00am****Royal Assent**

*\*Oral Questions, 30 minutes*

**\*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.

†**Business of the House** (Baroness Evans of Bowes Park) to move that the debates on the motions in the names of Baroness Neville-Rolfe and the Earl of Caithness set down for today shall each be limited to 2½ hours.

**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*)

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



## Future Business

### 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.

†*Lord Young of Cookham intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.*

†**Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (Amendment) Order 2017** Lord Young of Cookham to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 13 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017** Lord Young of Cookham to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 13 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Pharmacy (Preparation and Dispensing Errors—Registered Pharmacies) Order 2018** Baroness Chisholm of Owlpen to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 13 November be approved. *11th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†*Lord Ashton of Hyde intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.*

†**Electronic Communications Code (Jurisdiction) Regulations 2017** Lord Ashton of Hyde to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 1 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Communications Act 2003 and the Digital Economy Act 2017 (Consequential Amendments to Primary Legislation) Regulations 2017** Lord Ashton of Hyde to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 1 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Data Protection Bill [HL]** Report [Lord Ashton of Hyde] *6th and 9th Reports from the Delegated Powers Committee*

**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 to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 8 December.*

†*Lord Henley intends to move the following three motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately to the extent desired.*

†**Small Business Commissioner (Scope and Scheme) Regulations 2017** Lord Henley to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 1 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Unified Patent Court (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2017** Lord Henley to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 1 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Designs (International Registration of Industrial Designs) Order 2017** Lord Henley to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 1 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL]** Committee (day 4) [Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon] *7th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee, 8th Report from the Constitution Committee*

**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.

**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 Short Debate

*Time limit 1 hour or 1½ hours.*

†**The Earl of Sandwich** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they still support the European Union's policy of enlargement. (*6 December*)

## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 6 December and due for answer by 20 December.*

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to reconsider the case of Hafizzulah Husseinkhel, an Afghan interpreter who worked as an interpreter for the British Army and is due to be deported from the UK; if so, when; and what assessment they have made of his safety should his deportation go ahead. HL3919

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon on 5 December (HL3335), what assessment they have made of the compliance of their decision not to raise the individual cases of the ten North Korean refugees awaiting repatriation by China to North Korea with the UK's treaty obligations to act in cases where it is aware of treaty violations in another state. HL3920

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon on 5 December (HL3335), what assessment they have made of the moral and practical implications of their decision not to intervene to seek safe passage of the ten North Korean refugees awaiting repatriation by China to North Korea to the Republic of Korea or a third country. HL3921

**Baroness Armstrong of Hill Top** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the University College London Constitution Unit report *Citizens' Assembly on Brexit*. HL3922

**Baroness Armstrong of Hill Top** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to provide funding for citizens' assemblies on Brexit to consider the public's views on the nature of the UK's future relationship with the EU; and if not, why not. HL3923

**Lord Barker of Battle** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many trade missions were undertaken by ministers in 2017; and what was the destination of each mission. HL3924

**Lord Barker of Battle** to ask Her Majesty's Government which countries were subject to trade sanctions in (1) 2015, (2) 2016, and (3) 2017. HL3925

**Lord Barker of Battle** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the outcome of the sale of the Green Investment Bank; and what arrangements are in place to ensure that the Bank's Articles of Association are adhered to. HL3926

**Lord Barker of Battle** to ask Her Majesty's Government what was the UK's total contribution to the Global Fund in 2017; and how the outcome of this contribution will be assessed. HL3927

**Lord Barker of Battle** to ask Her Majesty's Government which countries received funds from the International Climate Fund in 2017. HL3928

**Lord Bradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many convicted sex offenders are (1) in prison, and (2) under supervision in the community; and how many in each of those categories have (a) a learning disability, or (b) autism. HL3929

**Baroness Eaton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what funding will be available to local authorities to extend personal adviser support to care leavers aged 21 to 25, as provided for in section 3 of the Children and Social Work Act 2017. HL3930

**Baroness Eaton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what funding will be available to local authorities to extend virtual school head support to previously looked after children, as outlined in sections 4 to 7 of the Children and Social Work Act 2017. HL3931

**Baroness Hayman** to ask Her Majesty's Government what percentage of the total spend on malaria was allocated to health system strengthening programmes in each of the last five years. HL3932



**Lord Hylton** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to commission research into (1) the experience of Portugal in decriminalising the possession and use for personal consumption of harmful drugs, (2) that country's policy of reducing harm caused by drugs to individuals and families, and (3) the risk of legitimising the supply of such drugs, by excluding criminal networks. HL3933

**Lord Hylton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they plan to take to eliminate long waiting periods before refugees needing tuition in English can enter English for Speakers of Other Languages courses; and if funding is an obstacle, whether they will bring this to the attention of the lottery managers. HL3934

**The Marquess of Lothian** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to combat the online practice of "catfishing"; and whether they intend to make it a criminal offence. HL3935

**The Marquess of Lothian** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to ask the UN to declare East Jerusalem the capital of Palestine. HL3936

**The Marquess of Lothian** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they plan to move the British Embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. HL3937

**The Marquess of Lothian** to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with other Western and African countries to persuade President Kabila to hold presidential elections in the Democratic Republic of the Congo before 2019. HL3938

**The Marquess of Lothian** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the government of the United States' decision to withdraw from the process leading to a UN global compact on migration on its effectiveness in protecting the rights of refugees and migrants. HL3939

**The Marquess of Lothian** to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the Prime Minister's speech in Jordan on 30 November, what action they intend to take to "strengthen [the Government's] response to Iran's ballistic missile programme and its proliferation of weapons". HL3940

**The Countess of Mar** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord O'Shaughnessy on 5 December (HL3500), whether they will place a copy of the systematic review of serious adverse reactions following HPV vaccines, commissioned by the World Health Organisation, in the Library of the House. HL3941

**The Countess of Mar** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answers by Lord O'Shaughnessy on 5 December (HL3532) and 27 November (HL3227), whether they have seen the unclassified order of the US Surgeon General's Office of the Army Special Command of 13 September 2013; whether there is any difference between the drug of the same name administered to US troops and that issued to British troops; and why it is necessary to demonstrate that the neurological damage caused by the administration of mefloquine is permanent before acknowledging the persistence of the neurotoxic effects of the drug. HL3942

**Lord Ouseley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implications for future advances in social mobility of the finding by the Institute for Fiscal Studies that almost 37 per cent of children will fall below the relative poverty line by 2021. HL3943

**Lord Ouseley** to ask Her Majesty's Government how they intend to respond to the Joseph Rowntree Foundation's finding that 400,000 more children and 300,000 more pensioners have fallen into relative poverty since 2012–13; and what assessment they have made of (1) when, and (2) at what level, that trend will peak. HL3944

**Lord Patten** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth on 29 November (HL3286), what discussions they have had with the Charity Commission about their legal resources and ability to quickly address issues raised by tenants of the National Trust. HL3945

**Lord Patten** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the EU list of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax purposes and in particular of countries suspected of money laundering; and how this differs from the UK approach. HL3946

**Lord Patten** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they regularly meet the Roman Catholic hierarchy of England and Wales to discuss public policy issues. HL3947

**Lord Patten** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of places available at Catholic schools for Catholic children. HL3948

**Lord Patten** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of Muslim children being educated in Catholic faith schools. HL3949

**Lord Porter of Spalding** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to use the provisions in the Bus Services Act 2017 to allow non-mayoral authorities to access bus franchising powers. HL3950 [I]

**Lord Radice** to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made over the last three months to (1) the Iranian Ambassador in London, and (2) the government of Iran, about the reported targeting and harassment of BBC Persian Service journalists and their families. HL3951

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask Her Majesty's Government how they will monitor the voluntary agreement by lenders not to give automatic credit limit increases to consumers. HL3952

**Lord Storey** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to ensure that all schools are aware of their responsibility under the Technical and Further Education Act 2017 to allow access into schools to education and training providers in order to talk to pupils in Years 8 to 13 about approved technical qualifications and apprenticeships; and when they expect Ofsted to start measuring schools' performance against that requirement. HL3953

**Lord Storey** to ask Her Majesty's Government what system of classification is used by the Video Standards Council Rating Board to rate video games; and how the level of classification is decided. HL3954

**Lord Storey** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many video games have been banned on the grounds of (1) child exploitation, and (2) domestic violence, since the Video Standards Council Rating Board was established. HL3955

**Lord Truscott** to ask Her Majesty's Government when (1) Bath Spa, and (2) Bristol Temple Meads, railway stations will be directly served by a high-speed, electrified railway line. HL3956

**Baroness Wheatcroft** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether (1) the number, and (2) the cost, of (a) those directly employed by government departments, and (b) those hired as consultants by government departments, to work on matters related to Brexit, has increased since the Brexit referendum; and if so, by how much. HL3957

**Baroness Wheatcroft** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether (1) the number, and (2) the cost, of (a) those directly employed by, and (b) those hired as consultants by, the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to work on matters related to Brexit, has increased since the Brexit referendum; and if so, by how much. HL3958

**Baroness Wheatcroft** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether (1) the number, and (2) the cost, of (a) those directly employed by, and (b) those hired as consultants by, the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to work on matters related to Brexit, has increased since the Brexit referendum; and if so, by how much. HL3959

**Baroness Wheatcroft** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether (1) the number, and (2) the cost, of (a) those directly employed by, and (b) those hired as consultants by, the Department for International Trade to work on matters related to Brexit, has increased since the Brexit referendum; and if so, by how much. HL3960

## 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.*

### **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]

### **22 November** (6 December)

HL3470 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3495 Lord Hylton [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3496 Lord Hylton [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3497 Lord Lea of Crondall [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

*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 (5)

**Bills in Progress**

	<b>Type of Bill</b>	<b>To be considered</b>
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
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	

LEGISLATION

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	
<b>Committed to an Unopposed Bill Committee</b>		
Richmond Burgage Pastures Bill [HL]	Private	
University of London Bill [HL]	Private	
City of London Corporation (Open Spaces) Bill	Private	13 December, 12 noon
<b>Committed to a Committee of the Whole House</b>		
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	12 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	
<b>Waiting for Report</b>		
Data Protection Bill [HL] ( <i>Queen's and Prince of Wales's consents to be signified</i> )	Government	11 December
<b>Sent to the Commons</b>		
Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Bill [HL]	Government	
Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL]	Government	
Space Industry Bill [HL]	Government	
<b>Returned to the Commons amended</b>		
Telecommunications Infrastructure (Relief from Non-Domestic Rates) Bill	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 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 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

Draft Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 (Consequential Amendments, Savings and Transitional Provisions) 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 *(12 December)*

Draft Small Business Commissioner (Scope and Scheme) Regulations 2017 *(12 December)*

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

Draft Communications Act 2003 and the Digital Economy Act 2017 (Consequential Amendments to Primary Legislation) Regulations 2017 *(11 December)*

Draft Designs (International Registration of Industrial Designs) Order 2017 *(12 December)*

Draft Electronic Communications Code (Jurisdiction) Regulations 2017 *(11 December)*

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

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 (*11 December*)

Draft Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (*11 December*)

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

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

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

Draft Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (England) 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.*

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.*

#### **Thursday 7 December**

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

#### **Monday 11 December**

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

Science and Technology Committee	Room 4A	10.00am
EU Justice Sub-Committee	Room 3	10.15am
Artificial Intelligence Committee	Room 4A	3.15pm
Communications Committee	Room 2	3.15pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 3A	3.45pm
European Union Committee	Room 3	4.00pm

#### **Wednesday 13 December**

Constitution Committee	Room 1	9.30am
EU Home Affairs Sub-Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Citizenship and Civic Engagement Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
City of London Corporation (Open Spaces) Bill	Room 2A	12 noon
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Room 7	3.45pm
Finance Committee	Other (Parliamentary Estate)	4.15pm

#### **Thursday 14 December**

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

EU Energy and Environment Sub-Committee	Room 2	10.30am
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#### **Tuesday 9 January**

Economic Affairs Committee	Room 1	3.30pm
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#### **Monday 15 January**

Liaison Committee	Room 1	4.30pm
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#### **Monday 5 March**

Procedure Committee	Room 1	5.00pm
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## Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday 6 December 2017

*The House met at 3.00pm.*

*Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Portsmouth.*

### Select Committee Reports

#### 1 Statutory Instruments

The following Report from the Joint Committee was made and ordered to be printed: Report on certain statutory instruments, including the following affirmative instruments:

Draft Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (England) Regulations 2017

Draft Transparency of Donations and Loans etc. (Northern Ireland Political Parties) Order 2018. (5th Report, HL Paper 47)

#### 2 Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform

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

Data Protection Bill [HL]: Government Response

Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL]: Government Amendment. (9th Report, HL Paper 48)

### Public Business

3 **Brexit: health policy** A question was asked by Baroness Quin and answered by Lord O'Shaughnessy.

4 **Freedom of speech: hate crime** A question was asked by Lord Vinson and answered by Baroness Vere of Norbiton.

5 **Private rented sector: electrical safety checks** A question was asked by Baroness Kennedy of Cradley and answered by Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth.

6 **Video games: domestic violence and child abuse** A question was asked by Lord Storey and answered by Lord Ashton of Hyde.

7 **Scotland Act 1998 (Insolvency Functions) Order 2017** Viscount Younger of Leckie, on behalf of Lord Duncan of Springbank, moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 14 September be approved. The motion was agreed to.

8 **Scotland Act 1998 (Specification of Devolved Tax) (Wild Fisheries) Order 2017** Viscount Younger of Leckie, on behalf of Lord Duncan of Springbank, moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 14 September be approved. The motion was agreed to.

9 **Pension Schemes Act 2015 (Transitional Provisions and Appropriate Independent Advice) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2017** Baroness Buscombe moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 10 July be approved. The motion was agreed to.

10 **Telecommunications Infrastructure (Relief from Non-Domestic Rates) Bill** The bill was read a third time. Amendments 1 to 13 were agreed to. Then the bill was passed and returned to the Commons with amendments.

11 **Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 68ZA. The House resumed.

**12 Social Security (Restrictions on Amounts for Children and Qualifying Young Persons) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017** Lord McAvoy moved 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). After debate, the motion was withdrawn.

**13 Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 69H. The House resumed after clause 44 was agreed to.

*The House adjourned at 9.39pm until Thursday 7 December at 11.00am.*

**Ed Ollard**  
*Clerk of the Parliaments*

### **Grand Committee Business**

*The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 3.45pm*

**Small Business Commissioner (Scope and Scheme) Regulations 2017** Lord Henley moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Small Business Commissioner (Scope and Scheme) Regulations 2017. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**Unified Patent Court (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2017** Lord Henley moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Unified Patent Court (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2017. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**Designs (International Registration of Industrial Designs) Order 2017** Lord Henley moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Designs (International Registration of Industrial Designs) Order 2017. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**Pharmacy (Preparation and Dispensing Errors—Registered Pharmacies) Order 2018** Baroness Chisholm of Owlpen moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Pharmacy (Preparation and Dispensing Errors—Registered Pharmacies) Order 2018. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017** Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (Amendment) Order 2017** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (Amendment) Order 2017. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017** Lord Young of Cookham moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017. The motion was agreed to.

**Communications Act 2003 and the Digital Economy Act 2017 (Consequential Amendments to Primary Legislation) Regulations 2017** Lord Ashton of Hyde moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Communications Act 2003 and the Digital Economy Act 2017 (Consequential Amendments to Primary Legislation) Regulations 2017. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**Electronic Communications Code (Jurisdiction) Regulations 2017** Lord Ashton of Hyde moved that the Grand Committee do consider the Electronic Communications Code (Jurisdiction) Regulations 2017. The motion was agreed to.

**Criminal Justice (European Investigation Order) Regulations 2017** Lord Rosser moved that the Grand Committee takes note of the Criminal Justice (European Investigation Order) Regulations 2017 (SI 2017/730). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

*The Committee adjourned at 7.29pm*

## Papers

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

### Instrument Withdrawn

The following affirmative instrument, laid before the House on the date shown, was withdrawn:

1. Draft Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 (Consequential Amendments, Savings and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2017 (*12 September*)

### Command Paper

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

1. Post-Legislative Scrutiny—Post Implementation Review—Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) Regulations 2012. (—)

### Affirmative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House for approval by resolution:

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

### Negative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House:

1. Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (1207)

### Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following paper was laid before the House:

1. Report of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman: *Ignoring the Alarms: How NHS Eating Disorder Services are Failing Patients*