

**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.

**Future Business****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.

**Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (England) Regulations 2017** Lord Gardiner of Kimble to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 27 November be approved.

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



**Sub-national Transport Body (Transport for the North) Regulations 2017** Baroness Sugg to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 16 November be approved. *11th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

**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).

**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).

## Tuesday 19 December 2017 at 11.00am

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

†\**Oral Questions 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]

*Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 15 December.*

†*It is expected that the debate in the name of Lord Burns will be continue after oral questions.*

## 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.

*Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 18 December.*

**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).

**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).

**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).

### **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 oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 15 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 19 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*)

### **Monday 8 January 2018 at 2.30pm**

\***Lord Spicer** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they next plan to report to Parliament on Brexit.

\***Baroness Benjamin** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the arrival of the MV Empire Windrush at Tilbury Docks in June 1948 carrying Caribbean people who had been encouraged to emigrate to the United Kingdom by the Government.

\***Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to establish an independent environmental enforcement agency before the United Kingdom leaves the European Union.

\***Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask Her Majesty's Government what new arrangements they propose to introduce to support child refugees following the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union.

**Lord Henley** to move that this House takes note of Her Majesty's Government's Industrial Strategy and of the case for boosting earning power and productivity across the United Kingdom with investment in the skills, businesses and infrastructure of the future.

### **Tuesday 9 January 2018 at 2.30pm**

\***Baroness Burt of Solihull** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to equalise statutory pay received for shared parental leave by people of any gender.

\***Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many families were homeless over Christmas 2017.

\***Lord Teverson** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking following the decision of the government of China to restrict the imports of foreign waste.

### Wednesday 10 January 2018 at 3.00pm

\***Lord Clark of Windermere** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord O'Shaughnessy on 27 November 2017 (HL3070), what assessment they have made of the operation of the "break glass clause" in the supply of agency nurses to hospital trusts from off-framework agencies.

\***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of investments in local roads on traffic congestion and productivity in local areas.

\***Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking with the international community to ensure that Russia respects the territorial integrity of Georgia and withdraws its troops from Georgian soil.

**Data Protection Bill [HL]** Committee (day 3) [Lord Ashton of Hyde] *6th and 9th Reports from the Delegated Powers Committee*

**Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2017** Lord Duncan of Springbank to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 13 September 2017 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 29 November 2017 (Dinner break business)*

**Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert "but that this House regrets that the draft Order 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."

### Thursday 11 January 2018 at 11.00am

†\***Lord Hannay of Chiswick** to ask Her Majesty's Government under what authority they notified on 3 July 2017 the United Kingdom's decision to withdraw from the London Fisheries Convention of 1962; and what account they took of the provisions of the Fishery Limits Act 1964 and of European Union Regulation 2371/2002 before making that decision.

†\***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask Her Majesty's Government how they will respond to the decision of the government of China to ban the import of waste plastic from the United Kingdom from January 2018.

†\***Baroness Thornton** to ask Her Majesty's Government, given the timing of the grant of additional funding to the National Health Service to prepare for winter at the end of November 2017, how they will assess the use and impact of that additional funding.

**Lord Best** to move that this House takes note of the performance of the United Kingdom's major housebuilders.

*Topical Question for Short Debate. Ballot opens at 10am on Monday 1 January, to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 2 January.*

**Baroness Kidron** to move that this House takes note of the role played by social media and online platforms as news and content publishers.

**The Lord Bishop of Coventry** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their post-conflict strategy for protecting the rights of religious and ethnic minorities in Iraq. (*1½ hours*)

## Select Committee Reports

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

**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*

**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*

**Lord Jay of Ewelme** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: judicial oversight of the European Arrest Warrant* (6th Report, HL Paper 16). *27 July*

## 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.

†**Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to move that this House regrets that the Water Abstraction (Specified Enactments) Regulations 2017 (SI 2017/1042), the Water Abstraction and Impounding (Exemptions) Regulations 2017 (SI 2017/1044), the Water Abstraction (Revocations etc.) (England) Order 2017 (SI 2017/1046), and the Water Abstraction (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2017 (SI 2017/1047) have missed the 2012 deadline set in the European Union Water Framework Directive which has required Her Majesty's Government to explain their general implementation of the legislation to the European Commission; notes that the Regulations draw on a consultation exercise originally carried out in 2009 and then repeated in 2016; and considers that the delays cast doubt on the ability of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to handle the volume of secondary legislation that will result from the Brexit process. *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

## Questions for Short Debate

*Time limit 1 hour or 1½ hours.*

†**Lord Prior of Brampton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of their Industrial Strategy. (*14 December*)

†**Baroness Thornton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the marketing of GP services in London by the company babylon on GPs' patient lists and on primary care. (*14 December*)

## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 14 December and due for answer by 2 January 2018.*

**Lord Bassam of Brighton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether the ability of NHS doctors to provide the most clinically appropriate treatment to patients is being constrained by rules imposed by the General Medical Council, which are interpreted by doctors to limit them to using drugs within the scope of EU marketing authorisations and therefore may prevent doctors from exercising their clinical judgment to provide off-label and unlicensed medicines to NHS patients when it is clinically appropriate to do so. HL4182

**Lord Berkeley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is the average cost to Network Rail of a bridge strike by a truck; how many instances of bridge strikes have been recorded in each of the past five years; and whether they encourage Network Rail to claim from the drivers of the trucks involved (1) a reimbursement of repair costs, (2) Schedule 8 payments to train operators, and (3) other related costs. HL4183

**Lord Bird** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to press the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea to install sprinklers in the neighbouring blocks to Grenfell Tower as quickly as possible; and what steps they will take if no such sprinklers are installed. HL4184

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask Her Majesty's Government how much funding is allocated to adult eating disorder services in the NHS; and how much of that allocated funding has reached front-line services in each of the past five years. HL4185

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the report of the Parliamentary and Health Services Ombudsman, *Ignoring the alarms: how NHS eating disorder services are failing patients* (HC 634), published on 6 December, what is their assessment of the conclusion of that report that funding for the eating disorder services in the case of Miss B was "woefully inadequate". HL4186

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the conclusions of the report of the Parliamentary and Health Services Ombudsman, *Ignoring the alarms: how NHS eating disorder services are failing patients* (HC 634), published on 6 December, whether they have any plans to increase funding to eating disorder services in the NHS. HL4187

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the conclusions of the Parliamentary and Health Services Ombudsman, *Ignoring the alarms: how NHS eating disorder services are failing patients* (HC 634), published on 6 December, whether they have any plans to give adult eating disorder services parity of esteem with child and adolescent eating disorder services in the NHS. HL4188

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the conclusions of the Parliamentary and Health Services Ombudsman, *Ignoring the alarms: how NHS eating disorder services are failing patients* (HC 634), published on 6 December, what assessment they have made of the recommendations set out in that report; and what discussions they have held with the General Medical Council on reviewing the eating disorders training for junior doctors. HL4189

**Lord Browne of Belmont** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many prisoners convicted of murder were held in an open prison in each of the last five years. HL4190

**Lord Browne of Belmont** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many teachers from overseas have been awarded qualified teacher status in the UK in each of the last three years, broken down by country. HL4191

**Lord Browne of Belmont** to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they have held with international counterparts on the smuggling of illegal tobacco across the EU and into the UK. HL4192

**Lord Browne of Belmont** to ask Her Majesty's Government what procedures are in place for members of the armed forces who present with learning difficulties. HL4193

**Lord Browne of Belmont** to ask Her Majesty's Government how often they meet their counterparts in (1) Northern Ireland, and (2) Wales, to discuss the examination arrangements for (a) GCSEs, and (b) A Levels. HL4194

**Lord Browne of Belmont** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to expand health service capacity in areas of expected high population growth. HL4195

**Baroness Cox** to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the suspension of their financial support to the Free Syrian Police, what assessment they have made of the use of funds provided to the armed Syrian opposition; whether those funds are supporting the administration of areas controlled by extremist groups including Hayat Tahrir Ash Sham and Ahrar Ash Sham; and if so, whether they will suspend all such financial support. HL4196

**Baroness Cox** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Bates on 23 October (HL1710), which 16 Syrian councils have received funds; whether any of those councils are in areas controlled by extremist groups including Hayat Tahrir Ash Sham and Ahrar Ash Sham; what assessment they have made of whether those funds might be exploited by such groups; and whether they intend to suspend all such financial support. HL4197

**Lord Hylton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the prospects for further ceasefires in Syria; and whether they consider local ceasefires to be as important as wider UN initiatives. HL4198

**Lord Hylton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to prevent further deaths from communicable diseases in Eastern Ghouta; and whether they intend to facilitate evacuation, if necessary by air, for acute medical diseases. HL4199

**Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government which local authorities have so far been allocated funds from the Pothole Action Fund. HL4200

**Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to help local authorities detect procurement bid rigging in contracts for which they are responsible. HL4201

**Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many drone drops outside prisons have been intercepted by the authorities in the last two years. HL4202

**Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is the timescale for the reopening of the Oxford–Cambridge rail link. HL4203

**Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many high voltage direct current interconnectors are in place between the UK and other countries. HL4204

**Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to assist local authorities to deter fly-tipping. HL4205

**Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many scholarships and fellowships have been awarded by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in each year since 2010; for which courses; and in which locations. HL4206

**Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many new homes have been built in Ebbsfleet since the creation of the Ebbsfleet Development Corporation. HL4207 [I]

**Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many new jobs have been created in Ebbsfleet since the creation of the Ebbsfleet Development Corporation. HL4208 [I]



**Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many members of the Valuation Tribunal for England there are; and how many cases that Tribunal has heard in each year since 2010. HL4209 [I]

**Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to eliminate fuel poverty. HL4210

**Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action the Department for Communities and Local Government plans to take regarding the result of its last staff survey that just one in five employees thought the department managed change well. HL4211

**Lord Laird** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether the Court of Justice of the European Union will continue to have jurisdiction in the UK after Brexit in relation to the General Data Protection Regulation. HL4212

**Lord Laird** to ask Her Majesty's Government what consultations they have held with the parties in Northern Ireland on whether Northern Ireland will be subject to the General Data Protection Regulation after Brexit. HL4213

**Lord Laird** to ask Her Majesty's Government what will be the status in the UK after Brexit of previous decisions by the Court of Justice of the European Union, such as the Judgement of 6 October 2015 in *Maximillian Schrems v Data Protection Commissioner*. HL4214

**Baroness McGregor-Smith** to ask Her Majesty's Government what they are doing to ensure that pension rights for women are equal to those for men, with particular reference to those women born in the 1950s and affected by the changes to the state pension under the Pensions Act 1995 and Pensions Act 2011. HL4215

**Lord Myners** to ask Her Majesty's Government following the comments by the Secretary of State for Exiting the EU on the Andrew Marr Show on 10 December that the Brussels undertaking was "more of a statement of intent than (it was) a legally enforceable thing", whether those comments represent their official policy. HL4216

**Baroness Northover** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the analysis by the Trade Division of the Commonwealth Secretariat, *Trade Implications of Brexit for Developing Countries*. HL4217

**Baroness Northover** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the scale of the potential impact of the application of most favoured nation tariffs on developing Commonwealth countries. HL4218

**Baroness Northover** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the intra-country trade in the EU that originates in developing Commonwealth countries and first enters the EU via the UK. HL4219

**Baroness Northover** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking in talks with the EU to address any negative consequences of Brexit for developing Commonwealth countries. HL4220

**Baroness Northover** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they will take at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting to reassure developing Commonwealth countries about measures taken to reduce the impact of Brexit on them. HL4221

**Baroness Northover** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the size of any increase in trade with Commonwealth countries in the event that the UK leaves the EU. HL4222

**Baroness Sheehan** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many children have been brought to the UK from Northern France and other parts of Europe under section 67 of the Immigration Act 2017. HL4223

**Lord Wasserman** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Ministerial Statement by Baroness Williams of Trafford on 11 December (HLWS325), what role Police and Crime Commissioners are expected to play in relation to their new approach to the threat of economic crime. HL4224

**Lord Wasserman** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Ministerial Statement by Baroness Williams of Trafford on 11 December (HLWS328), whether Police and Crime Commissioners were consulted as part of the Home Office review of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013; and if so, what contribution they made to that review. HL4225

**Lord Wasserman** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Williams of Trafford on 11 December (HL3775), which police forces in England and Wales took part in the week of action to tackle knife crime under Operation Sceptre. HL4226

### **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.*

**29 November** (13 December)

HL3730 Lord Scriven [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

**30 November** (14 December)

HL3774 Lord Hay of Ballyore [Northern Ireland Office]

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

Foreign and Commonwealth Office (1)

Northern Ireland Office (1)

**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	
<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	
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	10 January
Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL]	Government	
<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	

## 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 Transfer of Responsibility for Relevant Children (Extension to Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2017

Draft Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Draft European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002 (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Draft Gambling Act 2005 (Amendment of Schedule 6) Order 2018

### **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 Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2017 *(10 January)*

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 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 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (18 December)*

Draft Sub-national Transport Body (Transport for the North) Regulations 2017 *11th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (18 December)*

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

Draft Housing and Planning Act 2016 (Banning Order Offences) Regulations 2017 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

**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 expired 14 December.*

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

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

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

**Paper waiting for Affirmative Resolution**

Particulars of Proposed Designation of Age-Verification Regulator

**Retirements**

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

Baroness Sharples (18 December)

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.*

#### **Monday 18 December**

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Office	10.30am
National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	3.30pm

#### **Tuesday 19 December**

Science and Technology Committee	Room 4A	9.40am
EU Justice Sub-Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Artificial Intelligence Committee	Room 4A	3.15pm
Communications Committee	Room 2	3.15pm

#### **Wednesday 20 December**

EU Financial Affairs Sub-Committee	Room 4A	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 1	10.15am
EU Home Affairs Sub-Committee	Room 3	10.15am
EU Energy and Environment Sub-Committee	Room 2	10.30am
International Relations Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 2A	10.30am
European Union Committee	Room 2	2.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Room 7	3.45pm

#### **Tuesday 9 January**

Political Polling and Digital Media Committee	Room 2	10.45am
Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 Committee	Room 1	11.00am
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 1	3.30pm

#### **Thursday 11 January**

EU Internal Market Sub-Committee	Room 4A	10.00am
EU External Affairs Sub-Committee	Room 1	10.00am

#### **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 Thursday 14 December 2017

*The House met at 11.00am.*

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

1 **Notification of retirement** The Clerk of the Parliaments informed the House that he had received written notice from Baroness Sharples under section 1 of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014 stating that she would retire from the House on 18 December.

2 **Barony of Cochrane of Cults in the Peerage of the United Kingdom** The Petition of Thomas Hunter Vere Cochrane claiming to have succeeded to the Barony of Cochrane of Cults in the Peerage of the United Kingdom and praying that the Clerk of the Parliaments might be directed to enter the petitioner as Lord of Cochrane of Cults on the register of hereditary peers maintained under Standing Order 10(5) was presented and referred to the Lord Chancellor for a report to the House pursuant to Standing Order 11.

### Public Business

3 **Budget: north east of England** A question was asked by Lord Beith and answered by Lord Young of Cookham.

4 **Paradise Papers** A question was asked by Lord Anderson of Swansea and answered by Lord Bates.

5 **Disabled Students' Allowance** A question was asked by Lord Addington and answered by Viscount Younger of Leckie.

6 **Grenfell Tower** A question was asked by Lord Kennedy of Southwark and answered by Lord Young of Cookham.

7 **Probation Service** A private notice question was asked by Lord Laming and answered by Lord Keen of Elie.

8 **Business of the House** Earl Howe, on behalf of the Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Evans of Bowes Park), moved that Standing Order 40(1) (*Arrangement of the Order Paper*) be dispensed with on Tuesday 19 December to enable the debate on the motion in the name of Lord Burns to begin before oral questions. The motion was agreed to.

9 **Business of the House** Earl Howe, on behalf of the Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Evans of Bowes Park), moved that the debates on the motions in the names of Baroness Dean of Thornton-le-Fylde and Lord Bach set down for today shall each be limited to 2½ hours. The motion was agreed to.

10 **Vulnerable children** (2½-hour debate) Baroness Dean of Thornton-le-Fylde moved 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. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

11 **Poverty and disadvantage** A question was asked by Lord Bird and, after debate, answered by Baroness Buscombe.

12 **Bach Commission: the Right to Justice** (2½-hour debate) Lord Bach moved that this House takes note of the report of the Bach Commission, *The Right to Justice*, published in September. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

*The House adjourned at 5.39pm until Friday 15 December at 10.00am.*

**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 Papers

The following papers were presented to the House by command of Her Majesty:

1. Justice—Limiting the use of Complainants’ Sexual History in Sex Cases—Section 41 of the Youth and Criminal Evidence Act 1999: The Law on the Admissibility of Sexual History Evidence in Practice. (9547)
2. Education—Unlocking Talent, Fulfilling Potential: A plan for improving social mobility through education. (9541)
3. Departmental Minute—Ministry of Defence Minute, dated 14 December 2017, concerning grant-in-kind of equipment to the Jordanian armed forces. (—)

### Affirmative Instrument

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

1. Draft Gambling Act 2005 (Amendment of Schedule 6) Order 2018

### Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

1. Merchant Shipping (Working Time: Inland Waterways) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (1149)
2. Road Vehicles (Payment of Duty by Credit Card) (Prescribed Fee) Regulations 2017 (1239)
3. Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment etc.) (No. 2) Regulations 2017 (1251)
4. Greater London Authority (Consolidated Council Tax Requirement Procedure) Regulations 2017 (1252)
5. Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000 (Estimates and Accounts) (Amendment) Order 2017 (1256)
6. Whole of Government Accounts (Designation of Bodies) Order 2017 (1259)
7. Superannuation (Admission to Schedule 1 to the Superannuation Act 1972) Order 2017 (1261)

### Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

1. Annual Report on Special Advisers
2. Appeals Statement in Relation to the Proposal for the Designation of the Age-Verification Regulator
3. The Third Annual Report by Welsh Ministers about the Implementation and Operation of Part 2 (Finance) of the Wales Act 2014 2017
4. The UK Government’s Third Annual Report on the Implementation and Operation of Part 2 (Finance) of the Wales Act 2014
5. Report on use of Closed Material Procedure (From 25 June 2016 to 24 June 2017)

**Paper Subject to Affirmative Resolution**

The following paper was laid before the House:

1. Particulars of Proposed Designation of Age-Verification Regulator



