

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, 30 minutes*

***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]

***The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they plan to take to address increasing homelessness and demand for temporary accommodation.

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

Future Business**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.

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Items marked † are new or have been altered

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



†***Lord West of Spithead** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the sufficiency of the United Kingdom's anti-submarine capability to ensure protection of crucial undersea cables.

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 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 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.

†***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that, after Brexit, current United Kingdom food safety standards are not undermined by the import of poorer quality food produced to lower animal welfare standards from the United States and other potential trading partners.

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*)

Monday 15 January 2018 at 2.30pm

†***Lord Berkeley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what are the plans, timescale and budget of Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs to develop and implement paper-free customs procedures for just-in-time freight between the European Union and the United Kingdom after Brexit. [I]

†***Lord Addington** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether only students with education, health and care plans are regarded as having the need for support when undertaking an apprenticeship; and if so, why.

†***Baroness Berridge** to ask Her Majesty's Government how they will ensure the engagement of faith leaders in events around the Commonwealth Summit in April 2018.

†***Baroness Rawlings** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce levels of pollution caused by vehicle emissions in London and other larger cities.

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 Loomba** to ask Her Majesty's Government what priority they give to women and girls, including widows, when developing and implementing Department for International Development initiatives and projects. *(18 December)*

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 18 December and due for answer by 4 January 2018.

Lord Addington to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the compliance of all higher education providers with their duties under the Equality Act 2010 and Human Rights Act 1998 in regard to disabled students. HL4258

Lord Addington to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the extent to which there is consistency between the school system and the apprenticeship awarding bodies, in terms of support given to disabled students. HL4259

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to make changes to Department for Work and Pensions rules that impact on the ability of refugees to claim jobseeker's allowance and simultaneously access full-time English language lessons. HL4260

Lord Berkeley to ask Her Majesty's Government what was the annual level of exports to the EU from the UK in each of the last three years, broken down into (1) temperature controlled, (2) unitised, and (3) bulk; what were the comparative imports from the EU into the UK; and what assessment they have made of the costs and benefits of possible higher tariffs between the EU and the UK after Brexit in the light of those figures. HL4261

Lord Birt to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth on 12 December (HL3815), whether they have any plans to raise the performance threshold for local authorities to determine planning applications within the statutory timescale (1) above the 60 per cent threshold for major applications, and (2) above the 70 per cent threshold for non-major applications. HL4262

Lord Boateng to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the provisions of the Commonwealth Vulnerability Index as additional criteria to determine the classification of developing countries for the purpose of meeting needs (1) in the aftermath of natural disasters, and (2) generally. HL4263

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to consider the funding and provision of holiday programmes that would provide free meals and activities for children who would otherwise not have access to such arrangements. HL4264

Baroness Featherstone to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the appropriateness of membership of the Energy Union after Brexit. HL4265

Baroness Featherstone to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure regulatory alignment in the energy market after Brexit. HL4266

Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to ask Her Majesty's Government when the Attorney General is expected to rule on the Albert Hall case referred to him by the Charity Commission in September. HL4267

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their response to the conclusion of the joint Royal College of General Practitioner's and Medical Schools Council report, *Destination GP*, that additional funding for GP student placements is required to encourage more medical students to become GPs. HL4268

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of levels of funding for GP student placements. HL4269

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to increase levels of funding for GP student placements. HL4270

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what information they have about Palestinian refugees who are in Iraq; whether they can estimate the number of Palestinians still in Syria; and whether all such refugees are receiving UK and international relief and development funds. HL4271

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that safe accommodation is available throughout the UK for women and children escaping domestic violence; and what steps they are taking to prevent the closure of existing refuges. HL4272

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they support the call for peace made by the 14th International Conference on the EU, Turkey, the Middle East and the Kurds, on 7 December; and if so, what new steps they will take. HL4273

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their analysis of the plight of the displaced people at Rakban, on the frontiers of Syria, Iraq and Jordan; what is their best estimate of the population there; and whether they intend to convene a meeting of all concerned parties to make possible access for urgent supplies and to assess longer-term needs. HL4274

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government whether the WHO and UNICEF have access to eastern Ghouta in Syria; and whether they will call for the prompt evacuation of urgent medical cases. HL4275

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what arrangements they have in place to monitor nuclear, biological and chemical weapons risks, and to advance the reduction of such risks. HL4276

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to promote international nuclear, bacteriological and chemical disarmament. HL4277

Lord Murphy of Torfaen to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve access to release on temporary licence. HL4278

Lord Murphy of Torfaen to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will ensure that overcrowding does not restrict prisoners' access to chaplaincy services; and whether they intend to include such access in future performance measures. HL4279

Lord Murphy of Torfaen to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to guarantee the continued provision of quality assured chaplaincy services to every prison in England and Wales by continuing the guidelines *Faith and Pastoral Care for Prisoners* (PSI 05/2016) and including those guidelines in any future prison policy frameworks. HL4280

Lord Murphy of Torfaen to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to implement a systematic and quality assured communications gateway to enable prison staff to work with families to reduce self-harm and suicide. HL4281

Lord Murphy of Torfaen to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to introduce performance measures on family contact covering every stage of a prisoner's sentence. HL4282

Lord Myners to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the concentration of the auditing profession; and whether any such concentration is eroding confidence in audits. HL4283

Lord Myners to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the case for publishing dot plots to enhance understanding of Bank of England interest rate expectations. HL4284

Lord Myners to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to review the extent to which profits and director bonuses at house builders Persimmon and Berkeley benefited from the Help to Buy equity loan scheme in 2015; and whether they have considered introducing a windfall profits tax on those benefits. HL4285

Lord Patel of Bradford to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increasing misuse of fentanyl; and whether they intend to introduce evidence-based key performance indicators for harm reduction initiatives in order to prioritise and support those initiatives. HL4286

Lord Patten to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the Cadbury Report (1992), Greenbury Report (1995) and their successors as models for any future reports concerning corporate governance in universities. HL4287

Lord Patten to ask Her Majesty's Government, whether they intend to encourage universities to follow the example of Central St Martin's London in refunding students for failure to provide adequate tuition in their courses. HL4288

Lord Patten to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the area of England that is likely to be covered by trees and woodland in 2020; and how this compares with (1) Northern Ireland, (2) Scotland, and (3) Wales. HL4289

Lord Porter of Spalding to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to assess the National Cancer Diagnosis Audit in order to determine how well GPs are supported in recognising the symptoms of pancreatic cancer. HL4290

Lord Porter of Spalding to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports that children between the age of 10 and 19 require hip replacements due to obesity; and what steps they will take to support local government bodies to improve public health in this regard. HL4291 [I]

Baroness Thomas of Winchester to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that no benefit claimants are left destitute over Christmas and the New Year. HL4292

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they are making to the government of Israel regarding the death of Ibraheem Abu Thuraya. HL4293

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what action will they take to protect the right of Palestinian Bedouin children to education following reports of demolitions of schools in the West Bank, including one at Abu Nawar on 13 December. HL4294

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to support and encourage free speech in Israel and Palestine following reports of intimidation and public order offences committed by far-right groups in that country. HL4295

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they are making to the government of Israel regarding the right to education for Palestinian children in Hebron. HL4296

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Israel following the report by the UN Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs highlighting that "many Palestinians throughout the West Bank are at risk of forcible transfer due to a coercive environment generated by Israeli policies and practices". HL4297

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government further to the Written Answer by Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon on 11 December (HL3639), what representations they are making to the Palestinian Authority concerning prospects for opening the Rafah crossing and allowing people with visas to leave. HL4298

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.

4 December (18 December)

HL3809 Lord Bird [Department for Education]

HL3836 Lord Hylton [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3854 The Lord Bishop of St Albans [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3859 Baroness Tonge [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3860 Baroness Tonge [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3862 Baroness Tonge [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

HL3863 Baroness Tonge [Foreign and Commonwealth Office]

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

Department for Education (1)

Foreign and Commonwealth Office (6)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Succession to Peerages Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Conscientious Objection (Medical Activities) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	
Road Traffic Offenders (Surrender of Driving Licences Etc) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Elections and Referendums (Advertising) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	

LEGISLATION

Abortion (Disability Equality) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Heritage Railways and Tramways (Voluntary Work) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (Legal Advice and Appeals) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
BBC Licence Fee Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Cosmetic Surgery (Standards) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Awards for Valour (Protection) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Modern Slavery (Transparency in Supply Chains) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Property Boundaries (Resolution of Disputes) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Amendment) (Mixed Sex Couples) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Genocide Determination Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Kew Gardens (Leases) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Carbon Emission Reductions Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Automatic Electoral Registration Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Committed to an Unopposed Bill Committee		
Richmond Burgage Pastures Bill [HL]	Private	
University of London Bill [HL]	Private	17 January
City of London Corporation (Open Spaces) Bill	Private	
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) Bill [HL] (<i>Queen's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
Age of Criminal Responsibility Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Modern Slavery (Victim Support) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asset Freezing (Compensation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Unpaid Work Experience (Prohibition) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Democratic Political Activity (Funding and Expenditure) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Immigration Control (Gross Human Rights Abuses) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Local Government Elections (Referendum) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Waiting for Report		
Data Protection Bill [HL] (<i>Queen's and Prince of Wales's consents to be signified</i>)	Government	10 January
Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL]	Government	
Sent to the Commons		
Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Bill [HL]	Government	
Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL]	Government	
Space Industry Bill [HL]	Government	
Returned to the Commons amended		
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

Draft Financial Assistance Scheme (Increased Cap for Long Service) Regulations 2018

Draft Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Draft Human Tissue (Quality and Safety for Human Application) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Proscribed Organisations) (Amendment) Order 2017

Draft Investigatory Powers (Codes of Practice) Regulations 2018

Draft Investigatory Powers (Interception by Businesses etc. for Monitoring and Record-keeping Purposes) Regulations 2018

Draft Investigatory Powers (Review of Notices and Technical Advisory Board) Regulations 2018

Draft Investigatory Powers (Technical Capability) Regulations 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 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 2018

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.

Lord Condon (21 December)

Lord MacLaurin of Knebworth (22 December)

Lord Blyth of Rowington (1 January 2018)

Lord Clinton-Davis (10 January 2018)

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.

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	10.30am
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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Tuesday 16 January

Ecclesiastical Committee (Statutory Committee)	Room 4A	10.15am
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Wednesday 17 January

University of London Bill [HL], Unopposed Bill Committee	Room 2A	3.00pm
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Monday 22 January

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Office	4.30pm
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Monday 5 March

Procedure Committee	Room 1	5.00pm
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Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 18 December 2017

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Leeds.

1 **Retirement** The Lord Speaker informed the House of the retirement with effect from 18 December of Baroness Sharples under section 1 of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014.

Public Business

2 **Unpaid internships** A question was asked by Lord Holmes of Richmond and answered by Baroness Vere of Norbiton.

3 **Disaster and Emergencies Preparedness Programme** A question was asked by Baroness Sheehan and answered by Lord Bates.

4 **Children: mental health assessments** A question was asked by Baroness Tyler of Enfield and answered by Lord Agnew of Oulton.

5 **United Kingdom borders: surveillance** A question was asked by Lord Wallace of Saltaire and answered by Baroness Williams of Trafford.

6 **Crown Prosecution Service: disclosure of evidence** A private notice question was asked by Lord Morris of Aberavon and answered by Lord Keen of Elie.

7 **Procedure** The Senior Deputy Speaker moved 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. After debate, the motion was agreed to. It was ordered that the amendments be published (HL Paper 54) and that the Standing Orders relating to Private Business be printed as amended (HL Paper 55).

8 **Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (England) Regulations 2017** Lord Gardiner of Kimble moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 27 November be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

9 **Sub-national Transport Body (Transport for the North) Regulations 2017** Baroness Sugg moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 16 November be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

10 **European Council** Baroness Evans of Bowes Park repeated a ministerial statement made in the House of Commons.

11 **Tackling Financial Exclusion: A country that works for everyone? (Financial Exclusion Report)** Baroness Tyler of Enfield moved 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). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

12 **Grenfell Tower and building safety** Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth repeated a ministerial statement made in the House of Commons.

13 **Brexit: trade in non-financial services (European Union Committee Report)** Lord Whitty moved 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). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 11.11pm until Tuesday 19 December at 11.00am.

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. Welfare—Government Response to the 2nd Independent Review of the Personal Independence Payment Assessment. (9540)
2. Pensions—Automatic Enrolment Review 2017: Maintaining the Momentum. (9546)
3. Regulation—Building a Safer Future—Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety: Interim Report. (9551)
4. Terrorism—Government Response to the 8th Report from the House of Commons Home Affairs Committee, Session 2016–17, on Radicalisation: the counter-narrative and identifying the tipping point. (9555)
5. Crime—Government Response to the 14th Report from the Home Affairs Select Committee Session 2016–17: Hate crime: abuse, hate and extremism online. (9556)

Affirmative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House for approval by resolution:

1. Draft Financial Assistance Scheme (Increased Cap for Long Service) Regulations 2018
2. Draft Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Amendment) Regulations 2018
3. Draft Human Tissue (Quality and Safety for Human Application) (Amendment) Regulations 2018
4. Draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Proscribed Organisations) (Amendment) Order 2017
5. Draft Investigatory Powers (Codes of Practice) Regulations 2018
6. Draft Investigatory Powers (Interception by Businesses etc. for Monitoring and Record-keeping Purposes) Regulations 2018
7. Draft Investigatory Powers (Review of Notices and Technical Advisory Board) Regulations 2018
8. Draft Investigatory Powers (Technical Capability) Regulations 2018

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

1. Crown Court (Amendment) Rules 2017 (1287)
2. Magistrates' Courts (Detention and Forfeiture of Cash) (Amendment) Rules 2017 (1291)
3. Magistrates' Courts (Freezing and Forfeiture of Terrorist Money in Bank and Building Society Accounts) Rules 2017 (1290)
4. Magistrates' Courts (Detention and Forfeiture of Listed Assets) Rules 2017 (1293)
5. Magistrates' Courts (Detention and Forfeiture of Terrorist Cash) (Amendment) Rules 2017 (1295)
6. Magistrates' Courts (Detention and Forfeiture of Terrorist Assets) Rules 2017 (1296)

7. Magistrates' Courts (Freezing and Forfeiture of Money in Bank and Building Society Accounts) Rules 2017 (1297)
8. Oversight of Professional Body Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorist Financing Supervision Regulations 2017 (1301)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

1. Accounts of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission 2016–17
2. Air Publication 3393 Volume 1 Edition 19—Officer Commissioning and Terms of Service (Amendment) Regulations 2017
3. Annual Report—The Armed Forces Covenant 2017
4. Electronic Balloting Review—The Report of the Independent Review of Electronic Balloting for Industrial Action
5. Draft Code of Practice on Bulk Acquisition of Communications Data
6. Draft Code of Practice on Equipment Interference
7. Draft Code of Practice on Intelligence Services' Retention and Use of Bulk Personal Datasets
8. Draft Code of Practice on Interception of Communications
9. Draft Code of Practice on National Security Notices

