

Wednesday 25 April 2018 at 3.00pm

**Oral Questions, 30 minutes*

***Lord Naseby** to ask Her Majesty's Government what policies they have implemented to assist high street retailers to prevent further closures and job losses.

***Baroness Berridge** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they took to promote freedom of religion or belief as part of the human rights agenda discussed at the Commonwealth Summit.

***Lord Storey** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of gender pay gaps in academy schools and trusts.

***Baroness Wheeler** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to ensure the provision of domiciliary home care support, in the light of the decision by Allied Healthcare to file for a company voluntary arrangement.

European Union (Withdrawal) Bill Lord Callanan to move that the order of the House of 16 April be vacated, and that amendments for the Report stage be marshalled and considered in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 5	Schedule 6
Schedule 1	Clause 15
Clauses 6 to 9	Clause 12
Clause 16	Schedule 4
Clause 17	Clause 13
Clause 10	Schedule 5
Schedule 2	Clauses 18 and 19
Clause 11	Schedules 7, 8 and 9
Schedule 3	Title.
Clause 14	

European Union (Withdrawal) Bill Report (day 3) [Lord Callanan] *12th, 20th and 23rd Reports from the Delegated Powers Committee*

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



Future Business

Thursday 26 April 2018 at 11.00am

***Baroness Gardner of Parkes** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take to ensure that HMRC share relevant information with local authorities to assist those authorities to identify landlords who are potentially in breach of the 90 day restriction on short term lets and to enforce those provisions.

***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to enhance the role of the Food Standards Agency after Brexit.

***Lord Haskel** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to continue United Kingdom participation in the Galileo space project after Brexit.

†***Lord Beecham** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they will take to reduce the backlog of Employment Tribunal hearings that has arisen since the Supreme Court ruling in July 2017 that the high level of fees previously levied was unlawful.

Unpaid Work Experience (Prohibition) Bill [HL] Third Reading [Lord Holmes of Richmond]

Family Relationships (Impact Assessment and Targets) Bill [HL] Third Reading [Lord Farmer]

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).

Friday 27 April 2018 at 10.00am

Home Education (Duty of Local Authorities) Bill [HL] Committee [Lord Soley]

Bat Habitats Regulation Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Cormack]

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

Monday 30 April 2018 at 2.30pm

***Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the benefit cap on child and family wellbeing since that cap was lowered in 2016–17.

***Lord Balfe** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the attendance of United Kingdom executives at the St Petersburg International Economic Forum from 24 to 26 May.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many countries the Secretary of State for International Trade has visited since the referendum on the United Kingdom's membership of the European Union.

***Lord Pearson of Rannoch** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of figures from the Office for National Statistics showing that the Muslim population of England grew 10 times faster than the general population between 2001 and 2016; what is their estimate of future growth; and what is their assessment of the impact of that trend on the relationship between Sharia and domestic law.

It is expected that the Report stage of the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill will continue.

Tuesday 1 May 2018 at 2.30pm

***Baroness Finn** to ask Her Majesty's Government what are their plans, if any, for the Swansea Tidal Lagoon, following the Hendry Review published in January 2017.

***Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that non-disclosure agreements are not used to cover up criminal behaviour or silence victims, and that there are no financial or other consequences imposed when a breach of an agreement is in the public interest.

***Baroness Randerson** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their policy on procurement of the Government's fleet of vehicles.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 25 April, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 27 April.*

†**Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL]** Consideration of Commons Amendments [Baroness Buscombe]

†**Licensing Act 2003 (Royal Wedding Licensing Hours) Order 2018** Baroness Williams of Trafford to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 21 March be approved.

†**Combined Authorities (Borrowing) Regulations 2018** Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 12 March be approved.

†**Transport Levying Bodies (Amendment) Regulations 2018** Baroness Sugg to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 March be approved.

†**Employment Rights Act 1996 (NHS Recruitment—Protected Disclosure) Regulations 2018** Baroness Manzoor to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 March be approved.

†**Legislative Reform (Constitution of the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons) Order 2018** Lord Gardiner of Kimble to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 1 March be approved. *18th Report from the Regulatory Reform Committee*

†**Enterprise Act 2002 (Share of Supply Test) (Amendment) Order 2018** Lord Henley to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 15 March be approved.

Wednesday 2 May 2018 at 3.00pm

***Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury** to ask Her Majesty's Government how their Creative Industries Sector Deal, announced on 28 March, will address the skills shortages in those industries.

***Lord Dubs** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they plan to take to reduce the amount of plastic used in packaging for food, drink and other consumer items.

***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the response of the National Health Service to cyber attacks.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 26 April, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 30 April.*

It is expected that the Report stage of the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill will continue.

Thursday 3 May 2018 at 11.00am

***The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of levels of gambling advertising.

***Lord Blunkett** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have, in consultation with the Civil Aviation Authority, to improve the experience of passengers requiring assistance when travelling through airports in the United Kingdom.

***Lord Bruce of Bennachie** to ask Her Majesty's Government what practical support they plan to provide to enable the establishment of a nationwide video relay service for users of British and Irish sign language.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 27 April, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 1 May.*

University of London Bill [HL] Third Reading

Baroness Verma to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: sanctions policy* (8th Report, HL Paper 50).

Tuesday 8 May 2018 at 2.30pm

***Lord Clement-Jones** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the United Kingdom's ability to take advantage of the Digital Single Market and of country of origin principles for e-commerce once the United Kingdom leaves the European Union.

***Lord Bradshaw** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have asked any organisations in the logistics industry to sign confidentiality agreements in respect of negotiations concerning the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union.

***Baroness Donaghy** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to strengthen legal safety requirements for fridges and freezers sold in the United Kingdom.

It is expected that the Report stage of the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill will continue, and that it will conclude.

Wednesday 9 May 2018 at 3.00pm

***Baroness Quin** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to undertake further work on the impact of Brexit on the economy of the North East of England.

***Lord Farmer** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the policies recommended in the *Manifesto to Strengthen Families*, published on 6 September 2017; and what steps they plan to take in response to those recommendations.

***Baroness Hamwee** to ask Her Majesty's Government how many young asylum seekers have been required to cease studying as a condition of immigration bail, following the recent introduction of new provisions; and whether that condition will be applied to all asylum seekers.

Thursday 10 May 2018 at 11.00am

***Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action are they taking to stop children being recruited into gangs.

***Lord Bassam of Brighton** to ask Her Majesty's Government how they intend to ensure that there is sufficient funding for local government children's services.

***Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord O'Shaughnessy on 25 January (HL4797), what amendments they have made, or intend to make, to the wording on patient responsibilities to the National Health Service in the NHS Constitution Handbook.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

Lord Black of Brentwood to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to promote and improve the welfare of domestic animals. *(1 hour)*

Lord Faulkner of Worcester to ask Her Majesty's Government what was the outcome of their review of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013. *(1 hour)*

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of recent developments in Myanmar. *(1 hour)*

Lord Shinkwin to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the case for a disability commissioner on the Equality and Human Rights Commission. *(1 hour)* [I]

Lord Touhig to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to eradicate health inequalities for autistic people and people with learning disabilities. *(1 hour)*

Monday 14 May 2018 at 2.30pm

***Lord Teverson** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they will take to ensure that the labelling and packaging of animal-derived products does not mislead consumers as to how those animals were reared.

***Lord Lee of Trafford** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their most recent assessment of the importance of tourism to the economy of the United Kingdom. [I]

***Lord Addington** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Minister of State for Universities, Science, Research and Innovation on 16 April (HC135033), what assessment they have made of the extent to which the £200 equipment contribution for those claiming disabled students allowances had a direct effect on reducing the number of students receiving such allowances by 4,600 between 2014–15 and 2015–16.

***Lord Cormack** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to assist England's historic cathedrals.

Tuesday 15 May 2018 at 2.30pm

***Lord West of Spithead** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the prospects for a negotiated end to the civil war in Syria that does not involve President Assad.

***Baroness Deech** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect the rights of wheelchair users to travel on buses.

***Baroness Sheehan** to ask Her Majesty's Government how much Overseas Development Assistance was spent on fossil fuel subsidies in the most recent reporting period.

Wednesday 16 May 2018 at 3.00pm

***Baroness Richardson of Calow** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have made to assist financially with the historic back pay liability of providers of commissioned care for people with learning difficulties.

***Lord Touhig** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they are planning to introduce a national autism and education strategy; and if so, what are those plans.

***Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the assessment of immigration applications by UK Visas and Immigration, given that 40 per cent of immigration appeals heard by the Immigration and Asylum Tribunals in 2016 were granted.

Thursday 17 May 2018 at 11.00am

***Baroness Thornton** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps the Department of Health and Social Care and the National Health Service are taking to support the mental health of the NHS workforce in England.

***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask Her Majesty's Government what level of provision of borderforce staff, coastguard and patrol craft is needed to control the United Kingdom's maritime borders.

***Lord Cashman** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they plan to commence the provisions in the Policing and Crime Act 2017 to implement pardons and disregards for homosexual activities which are no longer crimes.

Monday 21 May 2018 at 2.30pm

***Lord Ahmed** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage Iran and Saudi Arabia to work together to bring peaceful solutions to the conflicts in Syria and Yemen.

†***Lord Bruce of Bennachie** to ask Her Majesty's Government what measures they are planning to take to ensure the continued exploration and development of the United Kingdom's continental shelf and the furtherance of United Kingdom's technical excellence in offshore technology at home and abroad.

†***Lord Scriven** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to ban the sale of hot and cold drinks in disposable cups.

†***Baroness Barker** to ask Her Majesty's Government, what specific activities they expect to support under new funding announced by the Home Office to support proposals to repeal discriminatory legislation in Commonwealth countries.

Tuesday 22 May 2018 at 2.30pm

†***Lord Wigley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effect of Brexit on sheep farmers in the United Kingdom.

†***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to reform sexual offences legislation.

†***Lord Shipley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what advice, if any, they are giving to local housing authorities about the rights of leaseholders in high-rise blocks which have cladding which has failed fire safety tests. [1]

Select Committee Reports

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

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 2017*

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 2017*

Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: will consumers be protected?* (9th Report, HL Paper 51). *19 December 2017*

Baroness Falkner of Margravine to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: the future of financial management and supervision* (11th Report, HL Paper 66). *27 January*

Lord Teverson to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: energy security* (10th Report, HL Paper 63). *29 January*

Lord Whitty to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: competition and State aid* (12th Report, HL Paper 67). *2 February*

Lord Howell of Guildford to move that this House takes note of the Report from the International Relations Committee *The UK and the future of the Western Balkans* (1st Report, HL Paper 53). *10 January*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

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).

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that this House regrets that the Education (Student Support) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2018 extend the normal student maintenance regime to more categories of nursing students as a replacement for the NHS Bursary Scheme; and calls on Her Majesty's Government to postpone the introduction of the Regulations until the current review of post-18 education and funding has been completed (SI 2018/443). *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that this House regrets that the Branded Health Service Medicines (Costs) Regulations 2018 do not propose any action to be taken in respect of the high cost charged by Concordia and other companies for the drug Liothyronine for the treatment of hypothyroidism thereby depriving patients of the use of that essential drug, and further do not put an end to the practice of a growing number of Clinical Commissioning Groups refusing to follow the latest guidance from NHS England on making that drug available to NHS patients via referral to thyroid specialists (SI 2018/345).

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that this House regrets that the Higher Education and Research Act 2017 (Consequential, Transitional, Transitory and Saving Provisions) Regulations 2018 do not provide sufficient independence for the Office for Students (OfS) from Ministers; do not enable the OfS to engage effectively with students, student unions and the National Union of Students, do not enable the OfS to protect the institutional autonomy of universities, or the autonomy of the OfS board; and overemphasise the marketisation of higher education (SI 2018/245).

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to move that this House regrets that the Immigration and Nationality (Fees) Regulations 2018 include a £39 increase in the fee for registering children entitled to British citizenship, given that only £372 of the proposed £1,012 fee is attributable to administrative costs; and calls on Her Majesty's Government to withdraw the fee increase until they have (1) published a children's best interests impact assessment of the fee level, and (2) established an independent review of fees for registering children as British citizens, in the light of the report of the Select Committee on Citizenship and Civic Engagement (HL Paper 118) (SI 2018/330).

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 24 April and due for answer by 9 May.

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the report by the National Union of Students, *Class dismissed: Getting in and getting on in further and higher education*, published on 23 April, what steps they plan to take to tackle the 'poverty premium' in tertiary education in order for working class students to excel in post-16 educational settings. HL7197

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of each of the recommendations of the report by Social Enterprise UK, *Our money, our future*, published in 2017, on the effect of the Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 on public sector spending. HL7198

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth on 22 December 2017 (HL4184), what assessment they have made of the introduction of mandatory sprinkler systems for new buildings in Wales in considering (1) the benefit of introducing such measures in England, and (2) the cost of such measures in England. HL7199

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made, or intend to make, of the effectiveness of legislation mandating the provision of means of escape for (1) residential buildings, and (2) office buildings in preventing injury or deaths in fires. HL7200

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government what analysis they have undertaken of domestic fire safety measures implemented internationally, including regulations relating to (1) the use of sprinkler systems, (2) the use of flammable cladding materials, and (3) means of escape. HL7201

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government what analysis they have undertaken, or plan to undertake, on the impact on introducing fire safety legislation requiring high rise residential buildings in England to provide two means of escape. HL7202

Lord Borwick to ask Her Majesty's Government how many full-time planning officers they estimate will be required to deliver their target of building an average 300,000 new homes in England per year; and how many are actually employed at present. HL7203 [I]

Baroness Bowles of Berkhamsted to ask Her Majesty's Government whether the Financial Reporting Council (FRC) has published guidance on the auditor duty under section 498(1)(a) to form an opinion whether companies have kept adequate accounting records at all times; and if not, why not; whether the FRC's review of the audit of HBOS plc took account of that duty; and if not, why not. HL7204

Lord Bradshaw to ask Her Majesty's Government what is (1) the annual subsidy paid to Drax power station for burning wood pellets and (2) the estimated total cost of funding the Swansea Bay tidal lagoon project; and what measurement has been made of the polluting effects of each of those schemes. HL7205

Lord Campbell of Pittenweem to ask Her Majesty's Government which military units are engaged in the clean up operations in Salisbury; and how long they are expected to be so engaged. HL7206

Lord Campbell of Pittenweem to ask Her Majesty's Government what ground-based air defence systems there are at RAF military airfields. HL7207

Lord Campbell of Pittenweem to ask Her Majesty's Government when they intend to withdraw the Tornado GR 4 aircraft from service. HL7208

Lord Chadlington to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of annual gambling-related suicides in the UK; and what plans they have, if any, to conduct further research in this area. HL7209

Lord Clark of Windermere to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they plan to redraw grant schemes post-Brexit to create a level playing field between agriculture and forestry projects subject to the suitability of the chosen area for a particular planting scheme. HL7210

Lord Clark of Windermere to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions ministers have had with forestry stakeholders concerning forestry policy post-Brexit. HL7211

Lord Clark of Windermere to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will set out plans to ensure a appropriate balance between productive forest and amenity forest in the new Northern Forest. HL7212

Lord Clark of Windermere to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the gap between the actual supply of wood coming to the market and the forecast availability of wood over the last two years for which figures are available. HL7213

Lord Clark of Windermere to ask Her Majesty's Government when they intend to name the National Tree Champion. HL7214

Lord Clark of Windermere to ask Her Majesty's Government how much timber was (1) approved for felling from Forest Plans and Felling Licences, and (2) actually felled, in the last five years. HL7215

Baroness Cox to ask Her Majesty's Government, with regard to the death of a British soldier in Syria on 29 March, whether they have received advice concerning the legal basis for the presence of British soldiers in Syria; and if so, what was that advice. HL7216

Baroness Deech to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps, if any, they plan to take in response to the actions of Hamas in Gaza, including discrimination against women, public executions and other human rights breaches as reported by the Palestinian Independent Commission for Human Rights. HL7217

Baroness Deech to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports that Hamas has diverted construction materials intended for Gaza to rebuild tunnels into Israel for terrorist purposes. HL7218

Baroness Deech to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Palestine regarding the payment of salaries from international aid to convicted terrorists and their families. HL7219

Baroness Deech to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Egypt concerning its blockade of Gaza. HL7220

Baroness Doocey to ask Her Majesty's Government, when they closed down the National Register for Unaccompanied Children in 2011, whether any (1) data on unaccompanied children, and (2) information regarding missing children and human trafficking concerns, was retained by central government. HL7221

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask Her Majesty's Government what percentage of the Home Office's data is hosted (1) in the UK, and (2) overseas. HL7222

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask Her Majesty's Government what percentage of the Ministry of Defence's data is hosted (1) in the UK, and (2) overseas. HL7223

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask Her Majesty's Government what percentage of the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's data is hosted (1) in the UK, and (2) overseas. HL7224

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask Her Majesty's Government what percentage of the Ministry of Justice's data is hosted (1) in the UK, and (2) overseas. HL7225

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask Her Majesty's Government what percentage of the Northern Ireland Office's data is hosted (1) in the UK, and (2) overseas. HL7226

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask Her Majesty's Government what percentage of the Wales Office's data is hosted (1) in the UK, and (2) overseas. HL7227

Baroness Helic to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to support the creation of an independent, impartial, investigatory mechanism for Myanmar through the UN General Assembly, to investigate and document evidence of war crimes and crimes against humanity in Myanmar, as has been established in relation to the conflict in Syria. HL7228

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to stop the conflict in Yemen and to encourage all parties to take part in UN peace negotiations. HL7229

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will consider promoting a Resolution in the UN Security Council to seek to resolve the conflict in Yemen. HL7230

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask Her Majesty's Government what support they are providing to the estimated 22.2 million Yemenis in need of humanitarian assistance. HL7231

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask Her Majesty's Government what support they are offering to the women of Yemen who are particularly affected by the conflict in that country. HL7232

Lord Hoyle to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the government of Saudi Arabia about that country's proposals to reform women's rights and about the position of women in society. HL7233

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to undertake an audit on the use of recetopexy mesh and mesh used in men. HL7234

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to undertake an audit on mesh use in relation to (1) private patients, (2) outpatients, and (3) patients receiving care from GPs. HL7235

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government when they plan to publish the draft regulations and public consultation on the new schools curriculum in relation to statutory sex and relationship education and PHSE. HL7236

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government what resources have been made available to train teachers on the new curriculum in relation to statutory sex and relationship education and PHSE; and whether they have paid regard to the availability of teachers in designing this training. HL7237

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government how they reconcile figures from the Office for National Statistics, in its *UK labour market: April 2018* bulletin, showing that the employment rate is "the highest since comparable records began in 1971", with statistics published by the Trussell Trust showing increasing demand for the services provided by food banks over the last two years. HL7238

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to improve the administration of Universal Credit, including to ensure that Universal Credit and other benefit payments are made promptly. HL7239

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government when they last met with food bank organisers; what was the outcome of that meeting; and whether they plan to hold further such meetings. HL7240

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government whether the government of Pakistan made a commitment at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting to provide universal primary education. HL7241

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what assurances they have received from other Commonwealth countries that those governments will work to prevent persecution of individuals and groups; what assessment they have made of those assurances; how the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, agreed at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, will be implemented; and over what period of time that implementation will take place. HL7242

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the extent to which existing nuclear waste facilities are foolproof against (1) all possible types of security threat from land, sea and air, and (2) the consequences of climate change. HL7243

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their response to *Leading by Example: Reforming UK Nuclear Declaratory Policy*, the briefing by the British American Security Information Council, and, in particular, its recommendation that the UK should maintain its lead role in multilateral disarmament by (1) explicitly declaring that UK nuclear weapons are only there to deter nuclear use or blackmail when the survival of the UK is in question, (2) strengthening the UK's negative security assurances to non-nuclear states, (3) committing never to use nuclear weapons first, and (4) clarifying that the UK's nuclear weapons are weapons of last resort, and what is meant by that. HL7244

Lord Lee of Trafford to ask Her Majesty's Government what is the legal basis that allows administrators of failed stockbroking firms to levy charges on clients' assets held by those firms. HL7245

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government why the NHS Choices website includes an article on the Lightning Process when this treatment is not available on the NHS. HL7246

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government when allowances for members of Scientific Advisory Committees were last reviewed; and what are the differential rates of allowances for every relevant department's committees in the 2017–18 financial year. HL7247

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government how many vehicles the Environment Agency holds at present; how many new vehicles have been purchased in the last year; and at what cost. HL7248

Lord Mendelsohn to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of corporate governance regulations covering (1) annual bonus awards, (2) remuneration committees, and (3) companies employed to advise remuneration committees. HL7249

Lord Mendelsohn to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on corporate governance of annual bonus award arrangements such as Carillion's, which in 2016 gave greater weighting to the Chief Financial Officer's performance for technology (8 per cent) and risk management (8 per cent) than for net debt (6 per cent) and pre-tax profit (6 per cent). HL7250

Lord Mendelsohn to ask Her Majesty's Government what they estimate to have been the cost to the UK economy of data breaches and malware attacks in each year since 2010; and how many UK customers were affected. HL7251

Lord Mendelsohn to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure UK companies and customers are protected from data breaches and malware attacks, including point of sale breaches. HL7252

Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to review the number of safeguarded aerodromes. HL7253

Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty's Government when they last reviewed the number of safeguarded aerodromes. HL7254

Lord Porter of Spalding to ask Her Majesty's Government, following the Grenfell Tower Fire, what assessment they have made of the potential contingent liabilities held by those energy companies, and their subsidiaries, who installed external wall insulation on social high rise tower blocks under the Energy Efficiency Commitment, the Community Energy Saving Programme, the Carbon Emissions Reduction Target, Energy Efficiency Standards of Performance, and the Energy Company Obligation. HL7255 [I]

Lord Porter of Spalding to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the economic and social costs of providing welfare and support services as a result of the high stakes being gambled on fixed-odds betting terminals. HL7256 [I]

Baroness Randerson to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have received a copy of the letter to the EU Transport Commissioner from Aircraft Engineers International, alleging that safety procedures instituted by European Aviation Safety Agency have been infringed in the UK because senior engineers are no longer required personally to inspect completed maintenance and repair work; and what is their response to that allegation. HL7257

Baroness Randerson to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Civil Aviation Authority about what constitutes "verification" of repair and maintenance work on commercial aircraft, as set out in European Aviation Safety Agency rules and procedures. HL7258

Viscount Ridley to ask Her Majesty's Government how much UK Overseas Territories Blue Belt programme funding was spent with (1) the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science, (2) the Marine Management Organisation, and (3) UK Overseas Territory governments, in the financial years (a) 2016–17, and (b) 2017–18. HL7259

Lord Steel of Aikwood to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker how many members of the House have (1) retired or otherwise resigned, and (2) ceased to be a member of the House as a result of non-attendance or conviction of a serious offence, since the passing of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014. HL7260

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of concerns raised by civil rights groups regarding the potential negative effects that exemptions for the Home Office from the Data Protection Bill might have on future migrants; and what protections, if any, they plan to put in place to prevent another event similar to the Windrush scandal. HL7261

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask Her Majesty's Government whether £600 million has been spent on MBA style executive programmes from the apprenticeship levy fund; what assessment they have made of whether this such expenditure supports the goals and target beneficiaries of the fund; and what effect, if any, this will have on the support offered to new and less experienced employees. HL7262

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps, if any, they are taking to address concerns that a lack of flexibility on the part of the apprenticeship levy regarding how companies are to spend funds prevents companies from investing in, and developing, the skills they require. HL7263

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask Her Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to extending the two-year time frame for companies to spend the apprenticeship levy to allow them to benefit from any unspent funds after the end of the two-year period. HL7264

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effect of the reported shortage of antibiotics in Gaza. HL7265

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they intend to take to protect Palestinian children from the use of live ammunition by Israeli forces in Gaza. HL7266

Lord West of Spithead to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether there was a demand for maritime assets to respond to a number of recent incidents; and who in the Joint Maritime Operations Coordination Centre has the authority to decide on priorities and allocate forces accordingly. HL7267

Lord West of Spithead to ask Her Majesty's Government which individuals may be held to account in the Joint Maritime Operations Coordination Centre if assets are not allocated to the highest priority incident. HL7268

Questions unanswered after 10 working days

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

20 March (5 April)

HL6522 Lord Wasserman [Ministry of Justice]

HL6523 Lord Wasserman [Ministry of Justice]

HL6524 Lord Wasserman [Ministry of Justice]

HL6525 Lord Wasserman [Ministry of Justice]

HL6526 Lord Wasserman [Ministry of Justice]

HL6527 Lord Wasserman [Ministry of Justice]

21 March (6 April)

HL6565 Lord Wasserman [Ministry of Justice]

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

Ministry of Justice (7)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Succession to Peerages Bill [HL] (<i>Queen's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
House of Lords Bill [HL] (<i>Queen's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
Bat Habitats Regulation Bill [HL] (<i>Queen's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	27 April
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] (<i>Prince's consent to be signified</i>)	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	
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	

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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	
Official Development Assistance Target (Repeal) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Marriage (Same Sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Committed to an Unopposed Bill Committee		
Richmond Burgage Pastures Bill [HL]	Private	
Committed to a Select Committee		
Middle Level 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	
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	27 April
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	
Conscientious Objection (Medical Activities) 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	
Criminal Records Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Automated and Electric Vehicles Bill	Government	
Civil Liability Bill [HL]	Government	
Waiting for Report		
European Union (Withdrawal) Bill (<i>Queen's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	25 April
Smart Meters Bill	Government	
Waiting for Third Reading		
Unpaid Work Experience (Prohibition) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	26 April
University of London Bill [HL]	Private	3 May
Family Relationships (Impact Assessment and Targets) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	26 April
Modern Slavery (Victim Support) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	

Sent to the Commons

Data Protection Bill [HL]	Government
Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Bill [HL]	Government
Asset Freezing (Compensation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's
Laser Misuse (Vehicles) Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish Legislative Consent Motion passed</i>)	Government
Secure Tenancies (Victims of Domestic Abuse) Bill [HL]	Government
Haulage Permits and Trailer Registration Bill [HL]	Government

Returned to the Commons amended

Nuclear Safeguards Bill	Government
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Waiting for Consideration of Commons Amendments and Reasons

Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent Motions passed</i>)	Government	1 May
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Measures in Progress**Waiting for Commons Affirmative Resolution**

Statute Law (Repeals) Measure
Pensions (Pre-consolidation) Measure
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure
Mission and Pastoral etc. (Amendment) Measure
Legislative Reform Measure

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

Draft Immigration (Alcohol Licensing and Late Hours Catering) (Scotland) Regulations 2018
Draft Special Immigration Appeals Commission (Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 2018
Draft Welsh Ministers (Transfer of Functions) Order 2018
Draft Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole (Structural Changes) Order 2018 <i>26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee</i>
Draft Dorset (Structural Changes) (Modification of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007) Regulations 2018 <i>26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee</i>
Draft European Organization for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 2018

Draft Somerset West and Taunton (Local Government Changes) Order 2018 *26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Somerset West and Taunton (Modification of Boundary Change Enactments) Regulations 2018 *26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Cash Ratio Deposits (Value Bands and Ratios) Order 2018

Draft Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018

Draft Restriction on the Preparation of Adoption Reports (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Draft Offshore Environmental Civil Sanctions Regulations 2018

Draft Offshore Combustion Installations (Pollution Prevention and Control) (Amendment) 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 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 Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Draft Crime and Courts Act 2013 (Deferred Prosecution Agreements) (Amendment of Specified Offences) Order 2018

Draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) Regulations 2018 *(1 May)*

Draft Crime and Courts Act 2013 (Commencement No. 18) Order 2018 *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Enterprise Act 2002 (Share of Supply Test) (Amendment) Order 2018 *(1 May)*

Draft Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation (Mandatory Conditions of Licences) (England) Regulations 2018

Draft Child Safeguarding Practice Review and Relevant Agency (England) Regulations 2018

Draft East Suffolk (Local Government Changes) Order 2018 *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft East Suffolk (Modification of Boundary Change Enactments) Regulations 2018 *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Employment Rights Act 1996 (NHS Recruitment—Protected Disclosure) Regulations 2018 *(1 May)*

Draft Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Regulations 2018 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Transport Levying Bodies (Amendment) Regulations 2018 *(1 May)*

Draft West Suffolk (Local Government Changes) Order 2018 *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft West Suffolk (Modification of Boundary Change Enactments) Regulations 2018 *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Licensing Act 2003 (Royal Wedding Licensing Hours) Order 2018 *(1 May)*

Negative Instruments

Universal Credit (Tenant Incentive Scheme) Amendment Regulations 2017 *Praying time expired 29 June 2017.*

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

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2018 *23rd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 2 May.*

Branded Health Service Medicines (Costs) Regulations 2018 *Instrument not reported by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 4 May.*

Education (Student Support) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2018 *21st and 25th Reports from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 23 May.*

Higher Education and Research Act 2017 (Consequential, Transitional, Transitory and Saving Provisions) Regulations 2018 *Instrument not reported by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 25 April.*

Education (Student Support) (Revocation, Amendment and Saving Provision) Regulations 2018 *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 22 May.*

Immigration and Nationality (Fees) Regulations 2018 *Instrument not reported by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 11 May.*

Legislative Reform Orders in Progress

Draft Orders laid before the House and referred to the Regulatory Reform Committee

Draft Legislative Reform (Regulator of Social Housing) (England) Order 2018 *(28 February) Parliamentary procedure: affirmative, 18th Report from the Regulatory Reform Committee*

Draft Legislative Reform (Constitution of the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons) Order 2018 *(1 March) Parliamentary procedure: affirmative, 18th Report from the Regulatory Reform Committee. (1 May)*

Human Rights Remedial Order

Proposal for order under paragraph 3 referred to the Joint Committee on Human Rights

Proposal for the Draft British Nationality Act 1981 (Remedial) Order 2018 *(9 June)*

Other Instruments

Draft National Policy Statement for Geological Disposal Infrastructure: A framework document for planning decisions on nationally significant infrastructure *Scrutiny period expires 28 September*

Retirement

The following member of the House has given notice of his intention to retire.

Lord Kirkhill (30 April)

COMMITTEES

Committees

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

Wednesday 25 April

EU Energy and Environment Sub-Committee	Room 4	10.00am
EU Home Affairs Sub-Committee	Room 3	10.15am
Constitution Committee	Room 1	10.15am
Liaison Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
International Relations Committee	Room 2	10.40am
EU Financial Affairs Sub-Committee	in London	11.00am
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Room 7	3.45pm
Finance Committee	Other (Parliamentary Estate)	4.15pm

Thursday 26 April

EU Internal Market Sub-Committee	Room 4A	10.00am
EU External Affairs Sub-Committee	Room 1	10.00am
Services Committee	Committee Room G	2.00pm

Monday 30 April

European Union Committee	Room 3	2.00pm
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Tuesday 1 May

EU Justice Sub-Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Communications Committee	Room 2	3.15pm
Science and Technology Committee	Room 4A	3.15pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 1	3.30pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 3A	3.45pm

Wednesday 2 May

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.30am
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Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday 24 April 2018

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Norwich.

1 Barony of Clifton in the Peerage of England The Lord Chancellor reported that Ivo Donald Stuart Bligh had established his claim to the Barony of Clifton in the Peerage of England. The Clerk of the Parliaments was accordingly directed to enter Lord Clifton on the register of hereditary peers maintained under Standing Order 10(5).

2 Earldom of Darnley in the Peerage of Ireland The Lord Chancellor reported that Ivo Donald Stuart Bligh had established his claim to the Earldom of Darnley in the Peerage of Ireland.

3 Lordship of Elibank in the Peerage of Scotland The Lord Chancellor reported that Robert Francis Alan Erskine-Murray had established his claim to the Lordship of Elibank in the Peerage of Scotland. The Clerk of the Parliaments was accordingly directed to enter Lord Elibank on the register of hereditary peers maintained under Standing Order 10(5).

4 Earldom of Devon in the Peerage of England The Lord Chancellor reported that Charles Peregrine Courtenay had established his claim to the Earldom of Devon in the Peerage of England. The Clerk of the Parliaments was accordingly directed to enter the Earl of Devon on the register of hereditary peers maintained under Standing Order 10(5).

5 Notification of retirement The Clerk of the Parliaments informed the House that he had received written notice from Lord Kirkhill under section 1 of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014 stating that he would retire from the House on 30 April.

Select Committee Reports

6 Secondary Legislation Scrutiny

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

Draft Dorset (Structural Changes) (Modification of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007) Regulations 2018

Draft Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole (Structural Changes) Order 2018

Draft Somerset West and Taunton (Local Government Changes) Order 2018

Draft Somerset West and Taunton (Modification of Boundary Change Enactments) Regulations 2018

Correspondence: Education (Student Support) Regulations 2018

Interim report on the work of the Committee in Session 2017–19. (26th Report, HL Paper 125)

7 Privileges and Conduct

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

The Conduct of Lord Bassam of Brighton. (1st Report, HL Paper 126)

Public Business

8 Gaza A question was asked by Lord Hylton and answered by Baroness Stedman-Scott.

9 NHS: Artificial Intelligence A question was asked by Lord Holmes of Richmond and answered by Lord O'Shaughnessy.

10 Schools: Integrated Communities Strategy A question was asked by Viscount Ridley and answered by Lord Agnew of Oulton.

11 Probation: voluntary sector A question was asked by Lord Ramsbotham and answered by Lord Keen of Elie.

12 **Iran: nuclear deal** A private notice question was asked by Lord Campbell of Pittenweem and answered by the Earl of Courtown.

13 **Automated and Electric Vehicles Bill** Baroness Sugg moved that the order of commitment of 20 February committing the bill to a Grand Committee be discharged and that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House. The motion was agreed to.

14 **Haulage Permits and Trailer Registration Bill [HL]** The bill was read a third time and the privilege amendment was agreed to. Then, after debate, the bill was passed and sent to the Commons.

15 **Civil Liability Bill [HL]** Lord Keen of Elie moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the motion was agreed to and the bill was committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

16 **Smart Meters Bill** The bill was reported from the Grand Committee without amendment.

17 **Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL]** The bill was returned from the Commons agreed to with amendments. It was ordered that the Commons amendments be printed. (HL Bill 97)

18 **Capita** Lord Young of Cookham repeated as a ministerial statement the answer given to an Urgent Question in the House of Commons.

19 **Local elections: voter ID** Lord Young of Cookham repeated as a ministerial statement the answer given to an Urgent Question in the House of Commons.

20 **Yemen** Lord Bates repeated as a ministerial statement the answer given to an Urgent Question in the House of Commons.

21 **Windrush generation** Baroness Williams of Trafford repeated a ministerial statement made in the House of Commons.

The House adjourned at 8.40pm until Wednesday 25 April at 3.00pm.

Ed Ollard
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 3.30pm

Smart Meters Bill The Grand Committee considered the bill. Amendments were considered. It was ordered that the bill be reported without amendments.

The Committee adjourned at 6.13pm

Papers

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

Affirmative Instrument

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

1. Draft Offshore Combustion Installations (Pollution Prevention and Control) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

Negative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House:

1. Oil and Gas Authority (Offshore Petroleum) (Retention of Information and Samples) Regulations 2018 (514)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

1. Report on the Export of Objects of Cultural Interest 2016–17