

# HOUSE OF LORDS BUSINESS

No. 28

*Items marked † are new or have been altered.*

**Tuesday 25 February 2020 at 2.30pm**

*\*Oral Questions, 30 minutes*

\***Baroness Crawley** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the announcement by the then Prime Minister on 8 November 2014, what plans they have to reinstate the war widows' pension for those widows who were required to surrender that pension due to marriage or cohabitation.

\***Lord Teverson** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to insulate existing housing in order to contribute to (1) ending fuel poverty, and (2) achieving net zero carbon emissions.

\***Baroness Coussins** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Goldie on 22 October 2019 (HL19), whether the review of security clearance policies for Afghan interpreters who have been relocated to the United Kingdom has been completed; and if so, what was the outcome.

†\***Lord Greaves** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to compensate households and local businesses that have been affected by flooding caused by recent storms and heavy rainfall.

**Sentencing (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Bill [HL] (*Law Commission Bill*)** Committee [Lord Keen of Elie]

†**Lord Keen of Elie** to move that the order of commitment be discharged.

**Baroness Vere of Norbiton** to move that if a Bill in the same terms as those in which the High Speed Rail (West Midlands–Crewe) Bill stood when it was brought to this House in the 2019 session is brought to this House from the House of Commons in this session—

(a) the Bill shall be deemed to have been read a first and second time,

(b) the Bill shall stand committed to a Select Committee,

(c) any petition deposited against the Bill in the 2019 session (if not withdrawn) shall be taken to have been deposited against the Bill in this session and shall stand referred to the Select Committee on the Bill, and

(d) the Standing Orders of the House applicable to the Bill, so far as complied with or dispensed with in the 2019 session, shall be deemed to have been complied with or (as the case may be) dispensed with in this session.

**Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill [HL]** Committee [Baroness Barran] *5th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to move that this House regrets that the Electricity and Gas (Energy Company Obligation) (Amendment) Order 2019 (SI 2019/1441) fails to provide public funding for energy efficiency paid out of general taxation, continues a regressive system which disproportionately increases energy costs for fuel poor households, and does not grant sufficient funding to bring all domestic properties up to modern standards of fuel efficiency. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report (Dinner break business, 1 hour)*

***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.30pm***

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to establish a trade standards commission in advance of negotiating trade deals. *(1 hour)*

**Lord Berkeley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take in response to the judgment in *Bates v Post Office* [2019] EWHC 3408; and whether they intend to take any action against the directors responsible for the Horizon Accounting System. *(1 hour)*

**The Earl of Sandwich** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of India's Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019, passed on 11 December 2019, on United Kingdom citizens, and what representations they have made, if any, to the government of India as a result. *(1 hour)*

**Baroness Whitaker** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to implement the recommendations of the report by the House of Commons Women and Equalities Committee, *Tackling inequalities faced by Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities*, published on 5 April 2019. *(1 hour)*