

HOUSE OF LORDS BUSINESS

No. 47

Items marked † are new or have been altered.

Tuesday 21 April 2020 at 1.00pm

†**Lord Grimstone of Boscobel** and

†**Lord Greenhalgh** will be introduced.

†**Business of the House (Virtual Proceedings and Topical Questions for Written Answer)** The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Evans of Bowes Park) to move that, until further Order—

1. The following proceedings of the House may take place as Virtual Proceedings: Oral Questions, Private Notice Questions, Ministerial Statements, debates (but not decisions) on Statutory Instruments, Questions for Short Debate and motions for debate;

2. The procedure in Virtual Proceedings shall follow, so far as practical, procedure in the House save that—

(a) no member may participate unless admitted to the Virtual Proceedings;

(b) the order of speaking in Virtual Proceedings shall be facilitated by the Chair;

(c) the time allotted for Oral Questions shall be extended to 40 minutes to allow up to 10 minutes for each Oral Question;

(d) the time allotted to business in Virtual Proceedings may be varied by unanimous agreement of members taking part in the Virtual Proceedings; and

(e) Virtual Proceedings may be adjourned between items or classes of business at the discretion of the Chair;

3. A Virtual Proceeding may take place irrespective of whether the House is sitting that day;

4. A member may table one Topical Question for Written Answer in each week during which the House sits, and it is expected that it will be answered within five working days;

5. The provisions of this Order shall be applied in accordance with guidance issued under the authority of the Procedure Committee from time to time, which may vary the provisions of the Companion to the Standing Orders insofar as they apply to Virtual Proceedings.

†**Business of the House** The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Evans of Bowes Park) to move that Standing Order 46 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with today to allow the Windrush Compensation Scheme (Expenditure) Bill (*Money Bill*) to be taken through its remaining stages.

†**Deputy Chairmen of Committees** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord McFall of Alcluith) to move that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the panel of members to act as Deputy Chairmen of Committees for this session:

Alderdice, L.

Bates, L.

Duncan of Springbank, L.

McNicol of West Kilbride, L.

Russell of Liverpool, L.

†**Science and Technology** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Baroness Blackwood of North Oxford be appointed a member of the Committee, in place of Baroness Penn.

Virtual Proceedings at 3.00pm

†*If the first Business of the House motion in the name of the Lord Privy Seal is agreed to, it is expected that the House will adjourn during pleasure to enable the following oral questions to be taken in Virtual Proceedings.*

†***Lord Balfe** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the proposals contained in the report of the Lord Speaker's committee on the size of the House, published on 31 October 2017, for new appointments to the House of Lords to be on a "two-out, one-in" basis.

†***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker what plans have been made to enable peers to take part in the proceedings of the House of Lords remotely.

†***Lord Naseby** to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of India to request the closure of call centres targeting British citizens with scams.

†***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they expect to announce (1) the arrangements, and (2) a timetable, for the removal of restrictions in place to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

Chamber (time to be announced on the annunciators)

†**Windrush Compensation Scheme (Expenditure) Bill** (*Money Bill*) Second Reading (*and remaining stages*) [Baroness Williams of Trafford]