

HOUSE OF LORDS BUSINESS

No. 119

Items marked † are new or have been altered.

Tuesday 22 February 2022 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Hong Kong about the (1) human rights, and (2) release, of pro-democracy political prisoners remanded in custody under that government's National Security Law.

***Lord Selkirk of Douglas** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they plan to introduce legislation to ban the import of hunting trophies; and what is the proposed timetable for that legislation.

***Lord Londesborough** to ask Her Majesty's Government what financial support they will provide to the global COVID-19 vaccination programme in 2022; and how many vaccine doses the United Kingdom has donated to date.

***Lord Sikka** to ask Her Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to levying a windfall tax on the profits of oil, gas, and energy companies.

Procedure and Privileges The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *Divisions: pass-readers; Sessional select committees; Participation of eligible members in oral statements and repeated urgent questions* (6th Report, HL Paper 152) be agreed to.

Lord Foulkes of Cumnock to move, as an amendment to the first motion in the name of the Senior Deputy Speaker, at the end insert "but that this House believes that the Lord Speaker should call remote participants during questions, oral statements, and repeated urgent questions, rather than the Leader of the House".

Lord Cormack to move, as an amendment to the first motion in the name of the Senior Deputy Speaker, at the end insert, "with the exception of the recommendations relating to the conduct of divisions, and that this House believes that it should return to conducting divisions in accordance with the practices that were in operation prior to 1 March 2020, save for the provision made for Members under Standing Order 24A".

If the first motion in the name of the Senior Deputy Speaker is agreed to, the following motion will be moved:

Standing Orders (Public Business) The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the standing orders relating to public business be amended as follows:

Standing Order 52 (*Divisions*)

Leave out Standing Order 52 and insert:

"52 (1) When, on the Question being put, a division is called for, the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall order the Bar to be cleared, and the Clerk will start the division by activating the pass-readers in the division lobbies and the electronic voting system.

(2) Two Tellers shall be appointed by the Contents and two by the Not-contents. Of these, one Teller for the Contents and one for the Not-contents shall be appointed for each division lobby.

(3) After the lapse of three minutes from the time when the Bar is ordered to be cleared, the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall again put the Question. If, at this point, Tellers have not been appointed either for the Contents or for the Not-contents, a division cannot take place. The member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall declare the Question decided in favour of the side which has appointed Tellers.

(4) To cast a vote, a member must present a valid security pass to one of the pass-readers located in the division lobbies, except as otherwise provided for in Standing Orders 24A and 53. Having voted, a member should pass the Tellers as they leave the lobby.

(5) After the lapse of eight minutes from the time when the Bar is ordered to be cleared, or longer at the discretion of the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair, the doors of the Chamber shall be locked, and the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall inform the House or the committee of the Question which is the subject of the division.

(6) A member may vote in a division although they did not hear the Question put.”

Standing Order 53 (*Votes counted in the House*)

Leave out Standing Order 53 and insert:

“53 Any member may, on the ground of infirmity, have the privilege of voting in their place; and the votes of such members and of the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall be taken first by the Clerk.”

Standing Order 54 (*Voting in wrong lobby*)

Leave out Standing Order 54 and insert:

“54 If any member has by mistake voted either Content or Not-content, having intended to vote on the other side, they may go to the Clerk at the Table before the end of the division and request to change their vote. The Clerk will inform the Tellers of the change before the result of the division is announced. Members may not vote in both lobbies.”

Standing Order 63 (*Sessional Committees*)

Leave out “European Union Committee” and insert the following at the appropriate points in the alphabetical list of sessional committees:

“Built Environment Committee

Environment and Climate Change Committee

European Affairs Committee

Industry and Regulators Committee

Justice and Home Affairs Committee”

If the changes to Standing Orders 52, 53, and 54 are agreed, they will take effect following a decision of the House of Lords Commission to commence pass reader voting, as set out in paragraph 16 of the 6th report of the Procedure and Privileges Committee.

Standing Orders (Private Bills) The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Baroness Finlay of Llandaff, Lord Jones and Baroness Thomas of Winchester be appointed members of the Select Committee, in place of Lord Rodgers of Quarry Bank.

National Insurance Contributions Bill Third Reading [Viscount Younger of Leckie]

Finance (No. 2) Bill (*Supply and Money Bill*) Second Reading (*and remaining stages*) [Baroness Penn] *2nd Report from the Economic Affairs Committee*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Lord Callanan to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the draft Revised Energy National Policy Statements laid before the House on 11 October 2021.