

Wednesday 7 December 2022 at 3.00pm*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the options for reducing the cost of travelling by plane from Great Britain to (1) Northern Ireland, and (2) other parts of the United Kingdom not attached to the mainland.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Scottish Government about that government's policy paper *Building a New Scotland: A stronger economy with independence*, published on 17 October.

***Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Nigeria regarding the violent targeting of Christians, non-Islamist Muslims, and other minority faith and non-faith groups in that country, including reports of massacres, destructions of homes and clinics, forced displacement, and abductions.

***Lord Walney** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they taking to minimise disruption to essential services over the Christmas and new year period, given proposed strike action by workers in several sectors.

†**Extraterritorial US Legislation (Sanctions against Cuba, Iran and Libya) (Protection of Trading Interests) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022** Viscount Younger of Leckie to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 8 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†*Lord Murray of Blidworth intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.*

†**Immigration Skills Charge (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Lord Murray of Blidworth to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 17 October be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†**Immigration (Persons Designated under Sanctions Regulations) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Lord Murray of Blidworth to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 1 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†*Baroness Penn intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.*

†**Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022** Baroness Penn to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 14 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Social Security (Class 2 National Insurance Contributions Increase of Threshold) Regulations 2022** Baroness Penn to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 November be approved. *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill Report [Baroness Barran]

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



Future Business

Thursday 8 December 2022 at 11.00am

Lord Jackson of Peterborough, and

Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the contribution of (1) foreign mining companies, and (2) other external actors, to the conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

***Baroness Sugg** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect media freedom around the world.

***Baroness Meyer** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Probate Department's recommended wait time for the granting of probate of 10 days is being achieved; and if not, (1) what is the current average waiting time, and (2) what steps they are taking to reduce the delay.

†***Baroness Randerson** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of potential impact of rail strikes called for 24 to 27 December on (1) passenger services, and (2) rail maintenance projects, scheduled for this period.

Viscount Chandos to move that this House takes note of the case for an arts and creative industries strategy to maintain the United Kingdom's global leadership within the sector and align the industries' economic benefits with the Government's levelling up agenda.

Baroness Chakrabarti to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Independent Cultural Review of the London Fire Brigade, published on 26 November. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

Lord Watson of Invergowrie to move that this House takes note of the *Independent Review of Children's Social Care*, published on 23 May, and the case for integrated care and support across all services.

Friday 9 December 2022 at 10.00am

The Lord Archbishop of Canterbury to move that this House takes note of the principles behind contemporary United Kingdom asylum and refugee policy, and of the response to the challenges of forced migration.

Monday 12 December 2022 at 2.30pm

Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill, and

Lord Peach will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Mann** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with football authorities about abuse and violence directed against referees and other match day officials.

***Baroness Thornton** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that housing benefit for domestic abuse victims living in exempt accommodation is only paid to providers that have recognised expertise and who meet the standards in Part 4 of the Domestic Abuse Act 2021.

***Lord Coaker** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards the delivery of ordered Ajax vehicles.

***Baroness Chapman of Darlington** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking in response to the reprimand issued by the Information Commissioner's Office to the Department for Education on 6 November for breaching data protection law regarding children's private information.

Special Public Bill Committee (Electronic Trade Documents Bill) The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following Lords be appointed to the Special Public Bill Committee on the Electronic Trade Documents Bill [HL]:

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| Thomas of Cwmgiedd, L. (<i>Chair</i>) | Holmes of Richmond, L. |
| Bassam of Brighton, L. | Lansley, L. |
| Clement-Jones, L. | Lindsay, E. |
| Davies of Brixton, L. | Parkinson of Whitley Bay, L. |
| Harlech, L. | |

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records; and

That the evidence taken by the Committee be published, if the Committee so wishes.

†*Baroness Scott of Bybrook intends to move the following three motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately to the extent desired.*

†**Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (Amendment) Order 2022** Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 14 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†**Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 3 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†**Police and Crime Commissioner Elections and Welsh Forms (Amendment) Order 2022** Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 1 November be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†*Lord Benyon intends to move the following four motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately to the extent desired.*

†**Animals and Animal Health, Feed and Food, Plants and Plant Health (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Lord Benyon to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 20 October be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†**Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment and Legislative Functions) Regulations 2022** Lord Benyon to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 20 October be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, 18th Report. Considered in Grand Committee on 5 December*

†**Agricultural Holdings (Fee) Regulations 2022** Lord Benyon to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 20 October be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (Exemptions) (Fees) Regulations 2022** Lord Benyon to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 18 October be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report. Considered in Grand Committee on 6 December*

†**Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill** Committee [Lord Benyon] *8th Report from the Constitution Committee. 19th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee.*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

†**Energy Bill [HL]** Committee (day 3) [Lord Callanan]

Tuesday 13 December 2022 at 2.30pm

Lord Prentis of Leeds will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to increase the number of renewable energy generation licences.

***Lord Snape** to ask His Majesty’s Government what representations they have received from (1) rail passenger groups, and (2) other stakeholders, about the proposed closure of railway station ticket offices.

***Baroness D’Souza** to ask His Majesty’s Government which government departments share responsibility for (1) the funding of, and (2) and decisions about, school meals in (a) term times, and (b) vacations.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 7 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 9 December.*

†**Procurement Bill [HL]** Third Reading [Baroness Neville-Rolfe]

†**Voter Identification Regulations 2022** Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 3 November be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report*

†**Baroness Pinnock** to move that this House declines to approve the draft Voter Identification Regulations 2022 as they will prevent legitimate electors from voting in elections and disproportionately affect disadvantaged groups.

†**Baroness Hayman of Ullock** to move that this House (1) regrets that the draft Voter Identification Regulations 2022 will be implemented for the Local Elections in May 2023 despite insufficient public awareness, guidance and time for preparation, which risks electors being wrongly refused their right to vote, (2) calls on His Majesty’s Government to take an evidence-based approach to the implementation of voter identification, noting concerns raised by the Electoral Commission, Association of Electoral Administrators and the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, and (3) resolves that a select committee should be appointed to conduct a post implementation assessment of the impact of the Regulations on turnout in the Local Elections in May 2023.

†**Public Order Bill** Committee [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *17th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

†**Public Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Bloomfield of Hinton Waldrist]

†**South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (Transfer of Functions) Order 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton]

†**Product Safety and Metrology (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2022** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Callanan] *20th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Conformity Assessment (Mutual Recognition Agreements) (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Callanan]

Wednesday 14 December 2022 at 1.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of people affected by malnutrition or undernutrition in England.

***Baroness Worthington** to ask His Majesty's Government how they are working across departmental boundaries to ensure that the effectiveness of investments in clean energy is being maximised.

***Baroness Boycott** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to publish their biomass strategy; whether it will take into account the time it takes for trees to sequester the carbon released from burning wood pellets; and what are the emissions associated with land use change in deforested areas.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 8 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 12 December.*

†*It is expected that the Committee stage of the Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill will continue, and that it will conclude.*

†*It is expected that the Grand Committee of the Energy Bill [HL] will continue at 4.15pm in the Moses Room.*

Thursday 15 December 2022 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with retailers and other outlets concerning their acceptance of cash as legal tender.

***Lord Vaizey of Didcot** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the impact on the United Kingdom economy of the abolition of tax-free shopping.

***The Lord Bishop of Chelmsford** to ask His Majesty's Government, given the increased cost of living, what actions they will take to ensure that housing is affordable in relation to household incomes in (1) the private rented sector, (2) the social housing sector, and (3) for homeowners with mortgages.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 9 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 13 December.*

Baroness Northover to move that this House takes note of His Majesty's Government's approach to Official Development Assistance spending. (*Balloted debate*)

†**Lord Allan of Hallam** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support public sector workers in the NHS and the social care sectors, given reports of staff shortages and the effects of inflation on NHS and care budgets. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

Lord McNally to move that this House takes note of the regional distribution of Arts Council England funding and its impact on regions outside of London. (*Balloted debate*)

Friday 16 December 2022 at 10.00am

Baroness Stowell of Beeston to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications and Digital Committee *Licence to Change: BBC future funding* (1st Report, HL Paper 44).

Baroness Armstrong of Hill Top to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Public Services Committee *Fit for the future? Rethinking the public services workforce* (1st Report, HL Paper 48).

Baroness Drake to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Constitution Committee *Revision of the Cabinet Manual* (6th Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 34).

Monday 19 December 2022 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Dubs** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of hospital beds currently occupied by patients who could be discharged to their own homes or to residential care if social care support were available.

***Lord Balfé** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans the Prime Minister has to meet representatives of the Trades Union Congress, as well as individual trade unions, in the light of the current economic situation.

***Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current arrangements for the Bank of England's accountability to Parliament.

***Baroness Meacher** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to fund research into the health impact of plastic through a new National Plastic Health Impact Research Fund.

Tuesday 20 December 2022 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask His Majesty's Government what actions they have taken in response to the recommendation of the Boardman Report into the Development and Use of Supply Chain Finance (and Associated Schemes) in Government, published in September 2021, that they should consult on (1) whether think tanks, research institutes and lobbying academics should be required to disclose their sources of funding, and (2) whether there are circumstances when they ought to be required to register as consultant lobbyists.

***Baroness Randerson** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve rail services in Great Britain.

***Lord Londesborough** to ask His Majesty's Government how many bilateral free trade agreements they expect to sign in the next 24 months.

Wednesday 21 December 2022 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Palmer of Childs Hill** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce exposure to traffic-related air pollution, given its links to a range of health risks including cardiovascular, respiratory, and neurological health conditions.

***Lord Ravensdale** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the achievability of their target to decarbonise the electricity system by 2035.

***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support women in Iran fighting for basic human rights; and what representations they have made to the government of that country in relation to mass arrests of those demonstrating for such rights.

Select Committee Reports

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

Baroness Lane-Fox of Soho to move that this House takes note of the Report from the COVID-19 Committee *Beyond Digital: Planning for a Hybrid World* (1st Report, Session 2019–21, HL Paper 263). 21 April 2021

Lord Willis of Knaresborough to move that this House takes note of the Report from the National Plan for Sport and Recreation Committee *A national plan for sport, health and wellbeing* (HL Paper 113), Session 2021–22. 10 December 2021

Lord Blencathra to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee *Democracy Denied? The urgent need to rebalance power between Parliament and the Executive* (12th Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 106). 24 November 2021

Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee *Government by Diktat: A call to return power to Parliament* (20th Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 105). 24 November 2021

Lord Arbuthnot of Edrom to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Risk Assessment and Risk Planning Committee *Preparing for Extreme Risks: Building a Resilient Society* (HL Paper 110), Session 2021–22. 3 December 2021

Lord Bridges of Headley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Central bank digital currencies: a solution in search of a problem?* (3rd Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 131). 13 January

Lord Patel to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *Nature-based solutions for climate change: rhetoric or reality?* (2nd Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 147). 27 January

Lord Jay of Ewelme to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *Report from the Sub-Committee on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland: Scrutiny of EU legislative proposals within the scope of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland* (5th Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 177). 22 March

The Earl of Kinnoull to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *One year on—Trade in goods between Great Britain and the European Union* (4th Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 124). 16 December 2021

Baroness Taylor of Bolton to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Constitution Committee *Respect and Co-operation: Building a Stronger Union for the 21st century* (10th Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 142). 20 January

Lord Hollick to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Industry and Regulators Committee *The net zero transformation: delivery, regulation and the consumer* (1st Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 162). 4 March

The Earl of Kinnoull to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *Citizens' Rights* (1st Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 46). 23 July 2021

Lord Jay of Ewelme to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *Report from the Sub-Committee on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland: Follow-up report* (2nd Report, HL Paper 57). 27 July

Lord Bridges of Headley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Investing in energy: price, security, and the transition to net zero* (1st Report, HL Paper 49). 21 July

The Earl of Kinnoull to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *The UK–EU relationship in financial services* (1st Report, HL Paper 21). 23 June

Baroness Andrews to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee *Common frameworks: an unfulfilled opportunity?* (1st Report, HL Paper 41). 15 July

Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Liaison Committee *The Ties that Bind: Citizenship and Civic Engagement in the 21st Century Follow-up report* (5th Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 179). 29 March

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Liaison Committee *The Licensing Act 2003: post-legislative scrutiny Follow-up report* (2nd Report, HL Paper 39). 11 July

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Lord Davies of Brixton to move that this House regrets that the measures proposed by His Majesty’s Government in the National Health Service Pension Schemes (Member Contributions etc.) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1028) are insufficient to address fully the problems with staff retention in the NHS arising from the NHS pension arrangements that are described as a “national scandal” by the House of Commons Health and Social Care Committee in its report, *Workforce: recruitment, training and retention in health and social care*. 15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee

Lord Snape to move that this House regrets that the Railways (Penalty Fares) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1094) increase penalty fares at a time of substantial disruptions on many services, in particular those of Avanti West Coast, and of continuing customer confusion over complex and differing ticket pricing arrangements from different train companies in a system described as “too fragmented, too complicated, and too expensive to run” by the Department for Transport and the Williams Rail Review in its report, *Great British Railways: The Williams-Shapps Plan for Rail*; and calls on the Government to urgently bring forward promised legislation as part of its promise to simplify complex ticketing arrangements. 17th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that this House regrets that the changes to dental contracts in the National Health Service (Primary Dental Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1132) will not have a significant impact on improving access to dental treatment whilst current workforce shortages persist. 18th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee

Questions for Short Debate

These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 9 November in line with the recommendations of the 1st Report of the Procedure and Privileges Committee (Session 2021–22, HL Paper 41). These questions may be used as dinner break business or last business if time is available.

Lord Patel to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to improve cancer outcomes, including by (1) dealing with the backlog of patients waiting for care, (2) promoting research, and (3) implementing preventative measures to reduce incidence of cancers.

Baroness Hooper to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to improve trade and investment relations with countries in Central America.

Lord Bird to ask His Majesty’s Government what estimate they have made, if any, of the savings that might be realised by their cross-government cost-cutting exercise.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty’s Government what representations they are making to the government of Ethiopia to secure peace in the Tigray region.

Lord Sikka to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the research 'Bearing the burden of austerity: how do changing mortality rates in the UK compare between men and women?' published in the *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health* on 4 October.

The Lord Bishop of Exeter to ask His Majesty's Government how they are supporting civil society in running (1) food banks, and (2) warm hubs, this winter.

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty's Government why they used a Memorandum of Understanding rather than a treaty as a vehicle for the agreement with Rwanda on the transfer of asylum seekers.

Questions for Short Debate ballot entries

The ballot for four Questions will close on Tuesday 20 December and will be drawn on Wednesday 21 December for debate on Thursday 12 January. Time limit 1 hour.

The Earl of Clancarty to ask His Majesty's Government what is their strategy with regard to the funding of (1) artists, and (2) arts producing organisations; including for funding provided through the Arts Council. (*Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport*)

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in reorganising acute stroke services to a 24/7 networked approach, to enable local systems to deliver the National Stroke Service Model. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

The Earl of Caithness to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to approve the use of herbicides for the control of bracken. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what they are doing to alleviate the consequences of the famine in the Horn of Africa. (*Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office*)

Lord Sikka to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the paper by the Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health *Bearing the burden of austerity: how do changing mortality rates in the UK compare between men and women?* published on 4 October. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Lord Warner to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in establishing NHS (1) diagnostic, and (2) surgical hubs; and what steps they have taken to recruit the required health and social care staff for the next decade. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty's Government why they used a Memorandum of Understanding rather than a treaty as the vehicle for the agreement with Rwanda on the transfer of asylum seekers. *7th Report from the International Agreements Committee (Home Office)*

Lord Hay of Ballyore to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards implementing *The Dunlop Review into UK Government Union Capability*, published on 24 March 2021. (*Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities*)

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government, given the upcoming nursing strikes, what steps they are taking to improve the wellbeing and retention rates among NHS staff. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Lord Crisp to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Global Health *Probable Futures and Radical Possibilities*, published on 13 July; and what plans they have to develop the roles of NHS staff to fit the changing health needs which that report describes. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Lord Popat to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to (1) raise awareness among United Kingdom businesses of commercial opportunities in African markets, and (2) support United Kingdom exports to Africa. (*Department for International Trade*)

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what their new policy of "robust pragmatism" towards the government of China, as announced by the Prime Minister on 28 November, will mean in practice. (*Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office*)

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for the delivery of health care in rural areas. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

†**Lord Mann** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking in response to the prevalence of cocaine use by young people. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 6 December and due for answer by 20 December.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park on 21 November (HL3575), whether they will publish (1) the conflict analysis for Cameroon, conducted in 2019, and (2) the names of the independent experts they spoke to during the course of their research. HL4044

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Vere of Norbiton on 5 December (HL3685), how much was approved by Parliament for spending on HS2 (1) Phase 1, (2) Phase 2A, and (3) Phase 2B West; and what was the date of each approval. HL4045

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 1 December (HL3582), whether the clarification by Lord Markham on 24 November (HL Deb col 1469) is the most up-to-date answer to this question. HL4046

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty's Government what consultations they have had with UK mortgage lenders regarding their assessment procedures, including the use of algorithms, for creditworthiness; and what steps they will take to ensure that first-time-buyers who have been renting from more than one landlord immediately prior to their mortgage application will not be disadvantaged during credit record checks. HL4047

Baroness Cox to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they will make to the government of Myanmar regarding the release of the former President of the Kachin Baptist Convention (KBC), Reverend Dr Hkalam Samson, who was reportedly arrested at Mandalay International Airport on 5 December. HL4048

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Department for Work and Pensions annual official statistics 'Children in low income families: local area statistics 2014 to 2021', what assessment they have made of the reasons for the increase in (1) the number of, and (2) the proportion of, children living in relative poverty in every local authority area of the North East between 2014/15 and 2020/21. HL4049

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Department for Work and Pensions official statistics 'Children in low income families: local area statistics 2014 to 2021', what assessment they have made of the reasons for the increase in (1) the number of, and (2) the proportion of, children living in absolute poverty in every local authority area of the North East in every year since 2017/18. HL4050

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government whether a reduction in (1) the number of, and (2) the proportion of, children living in (a) relative poverty, and (b) absolute poverty, in (i) every local authority, and (ii) across the UK, is an intended outcome of the levelling up agenda. HL4051

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the report by the North East Child Poverty Commission report *Getting the building blocks wrong: Early childhood poverty in the North East*, published on 12 October, what assessment they have made of the merits of undertaking levelling up impact assessments of all major government policy and spending decisions, including those taken by the Department for Work and Pensions. HL4052

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions have taken place between the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on child poverty. HL4053

Lord Forsyth of Drumlean to ask His Majesty's Government which members of the Government are unpaid. HL4054

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government how many Ukrainian soldiers have been trained by His Majesty's Armed Forces (1) since 2014, and (2) since 24 February 2022; and how many of these soldiers have received human security training, in particular on (a) Women, Peace and Security, and (b) conflict related sexual violence. HL4055

Lord Hylton to ask His Majesty's Government, with regard to the processing of asylum claims, what steps they are taking (1) to improve the quality of decision-making, (2) to prioritise the most vulnerable cases and those who have been waiting longest, and (3) to improve access to good quality legal advice for applicants. HL4056

Lord Hylton to ask His Majesty's Government how many persons were held in immigration detention for (1) removal from the UK, and (2) assessment purposes, for the most recent date that data are available; and whether the Manston immigration centre is still overcrowded and therefore potentially a risk to health. HL4057

Baroness Jones of Whitchurch to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken (1) to progress plans to introduce mandatory recycling labelling on packaging, and (2) to ensure businesses are able to implement these reforms effectively and at reasonable costs. HL4058

Baroness Jones of Whitchurch to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the measures requiring mandatory recycling labelling on packaging enable consumers to recycle easily and accurately, and avoid causing confusion as a result of a multiplicity of designs and messaging. HL4059

Baroness Jones of Whitchurch to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the new regulations regarding mandatory recyclability labelling are enforced effectively. HL4060

Baroness Jones of Whitchurch to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the announcement that water company fines will be re-invested in schemes that benefit the natural environment, what will be the operative date of this scheme; and whether previously polluted environments will qualify for payments under the new scheme. HL4061

Baroness Jones of Whitchurch to ask His Majesty's Government whether the full revenue from water company pollution fines will be passed to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for environmental improvements. HL4062

Baroness Jones of Whitchurch to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to include species-specific stunning requirements for farmed fish in slaughter regulations, in line with the protection afforded to terrestrial farmed animals. HL4063

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport has had with the Department of Health and Social Care about ensuring that analogue telecare devices continue to work safely after the digital switchover has been completed in 2025. HL4064

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government, further the Local Government Association analysis identifying "dental deserts", how (1) they, and (2) NHS England, work with dental charities to deliver dental hygiene education in areas with relatively low numbers of NHS dentists. HL4065

Lord Rosser to ask His Majesty's Government how much they have spent each month since January 2019 on supporting asylum seekers in the UK who are waiting for their asylum applications to be processed. HL4066

Lord Rosser to ask His Majesty's Government how much the arrangement with Albania to fast-track the removal of Albanian nationals who have travelled to the UK via small boats, announced on 25 August, will cost; and how many Albanians seeking asylum in the UK they expect to be removed under this arrangement. HL4067

Lord Rosser to ask His Majesty's Government how many British National (Overseas) nationals from Hong Kong have accessed Welcome Programme support since April 2021; and what has been the cost of this support from then to date. HL4068

Lord Rosser to ask His Majesty's Government how many requests for reimbursement have been received by HM Passport Office since 2010; and how much has been paid out annually since that year. HL4069

Lord Rosser to ask His Majesty's Government how many Home Office immigration decisions were made in (1) 2017/18, (2) 2018/19, (3) 2019/20, (4) 2020/21, and (5) 2021/22; and how many such decisions were overturned on appeal in each of those years. HL4070

Lord Rosser to ask His Majesty's Government what is the administrative cost of processing each visa compared to its application fee. HL4071

Baroness Sater to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service to publish their Sports Strategy. HL4072

Lord Stone of Blackheath to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the levels of compliance by businesses with the Bills of Exchange Act 1882; and what steps they will take to ensure that cash is accepted in all retail establishments. HL4073

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government how many non-grammar schools select pupils by a written test. HL4074

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government how the 11-plus tests at grammar schools are moderated; and whether this moderation is carried out independently. HL4075

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of school children that have not returned to full-time schooling following the COVID-19 pandemic. HL4076

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, if any, to discourage children and young people from vaping. HL4077

Baroness Sugg to ask His Majesty's Government how much the Home Office has allocated to Official Development Assistance for (1) actual costs for refugee and asylum seekers for the first six months of the calendar year, and (2) estimated costs for refugee and asylum seekers for the full calendar year. HL4078

Baroness Sugg to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to providing free period products to schools in England. HL4079

Baroness Sugg to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to providing guidance to teachers to ensure that girls are treated sensitively and appropriately during their menstrual cycle. HL4080

Baroness Suttie to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the World Health Organization (WHO) about approving the use of vaccines (1) to prevent, and (2) to mitigate, outbreaks of Ebola in endemic countries. HL4081

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, additional to the purchase of the Naval Strike Missile, to increase the Royal Navy's offensive firepower capacity. HL4082

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.

28 October (11 November)

HL3017 Baroness Northover [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3012 Baroness Kennedy of Cradley [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

1 November (15 November)

HL3134 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

8 November (22 November)

HL3282 Baroness Kennedy of Cradley [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3279 Baroness Jones of Whitchurch [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3291 Baroness Redfern [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

14 November (28 November)

HL3369 Lord Mendelsohn [Department of Health and Social Care]

17 November (1 December)

HL3519 Lord Rogan [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3506 Lord Pendry [Department of Health and Social Care]

21 November (5 December)

HL3605 Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3615 Lord Rooker [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3616 Lord Rooker [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3618 The Lord Bishop of St Albans [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

22 November (6 December)

HL3632 Lord Balfe [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3660 Baroness Merron [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3655 Baroness Kennedy of Cradley [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3662 Baroness Merron [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3656 Baroness Kennedy of Cradley [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3666 Baroness Redfern [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3678 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

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

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (8)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (1)

Health and Social Care (11)

Bills in Progress

| | Type of Bill | To be considered |
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| Waiting for Second Reading | | |
| OFCOM (Duty regarding Prevention of Serious Self-harm and Suicide) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Public Advocate Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Water Safety (Curriculum) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Education (Non-religious Philosophical Convictions) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Private Burial Grounds and Cemeteries Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Employment and Trade Union Rights (Dismissal and Re-engagement) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) | Private Member's | |
| Marriage (Same Sex Couples) (Overseas Territories) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Road Traffic Offences (Cycling) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Inheritance Tax Act 1984 (Amendment) (Siblings) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Wellbeing of Future Generations Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Certificate of Loss Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Leasehold Reform (Reasonableness of Service Charges) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Leasehold Reform (Disclosure and Insurance Commissions) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) (No. 2) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Marriage Act 1949 (Amendment) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Public Service (Integrity and Ethics) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Strategic Litigation Against Public Participation (Freedom of Expression) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Leasehold Reform (Tribunal Judgments and Legal Costs) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Higher Education (Widening Access and Participation) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Mobile Homes (Pitch Fees) Bill | Private Member's | |
| Bank Holidays (Wales) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Leasehold Reform (Forfeiture) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Finance Bill (<i>Money Bill—1 December</i>) | Government | |
| Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Committed to a Special Public Bill Committee | | |
| Electronic Trade Documents Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>) | Government | |
| Committed to a Grand Committee | | |
| Energy Bill [HL] (<i>King's and Prince of Wales' consents to be signified</i>) | Government | 12 December |
| Committed to a Committee of the Whole House | | |
| Local Authority (Housing Allocation) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |

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| Government of Wales (Devolved Powers) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Coroners (Determination of Suicide) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Genocide Determination Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Public Order Bill | Government | 13 December |
| House of Lords (Peerage Nominations) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill | Government | |
| Health Promotion Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| School (Reform of Pupil Selection) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Protection for Whistleblowing Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) | Government | 12 December |
| National Security Bill | Government | |
| Waiting for Report | | |
| Northern Ireland Protocol Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) (<i>Welsh legislative consent withheld</i>) | Government | |
| Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill | Government | 7 December |
| Ecology Bill [HL] (<i>formerly Climate and Ecology Bill [HL]</i>) | Private Member's | |
| Front-loaded Child Benefit Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Waiting for Third Reading | | |
| Schools Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Universal Credit (Removal of Two Child Limit) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Domestic Premises (Electrical Safety Certificate) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) | Private Member's | |
| Heritage Railways and Tramways (Voluntary Work) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Procurement Bill [HL] | Government | 13 December |
| Healthy Homes Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Sent to the Commons | | |
| UK Infrastructure Bank Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Social Housing (Regulation) Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Seafarers' Wages Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Ballot Secrecy Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |

Statutory Instruments in Progress

Affirmative Instruments waiting for consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments

Draft Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body (Abolition) Regulations 2022 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Transport (Scotland) Act 2019 (Consequential Provisions and Modifications) Order 2023

Draft Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) Regulations 2022 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Non-Domestic Rating (Chargeable Amounts) (England) Regulations 2022

Draft Civil Legal Aid (Housing and Asylum Accommodation) Order 2023

Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Amendment) Regulations 2022

Draft Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Amendment of List of Responders) Order 2023

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft International Waste Shipments (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021 *41st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2019–21*

Draft Dentists, Dental Care Professionals, Nurses, Nursing Associates and Midwives (International Registrations) Order 2022 *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Codes of Practice) (Revision of Code A) Order 2022 *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Immigration Skills Charge (Amendment) Regulations 2022 *(7 December)*

Draft Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 (Legal Aid: Family and Domestic Abuse) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2022 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 17th Report*

Draft Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (Exemptions) (Fees) Regulations 2022 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report (12 December)*

Draft Agricultural Holdings (Fee) Regulations 2022 *(12 December)*

Draft Animals and Animal Health, Feed and Food, Plants and Plant Health (Amendment) Regulations 2022 *(12 December)*

Draft Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022

Draft Immigration (Persons Designated under Sanctions Regulations) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 *(7 December)*

Draft Police and Crime Commissioner Elections and Welsh Forms (Amendment) Order 2022 *(12 December)*

Draft Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (Amendment) Order 2022 *(12 December)*

Draft Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 *(12 December)*

Draft Investigatory Powers (Communications Data) (Relevant Public Authorities and Designated Senior Officers) Regulations 2022 *19th report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment and Legislative Functions) Regulations 2022 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, 18th Report (12 December)*

Draft Voter Identification Regulations 2022 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report (13 December)*

Draft Extraterritorial US Legislation (Sanctions against Cuba, Iran and Libya) (Protection of Trading Interests) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022 *(7 December)*

Draft Public Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2022 *(13 December)*

Draft South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (Transfer of Functions) Order 2023 (*13 December*)

Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (*12 December*)

Draft Architects Act 1997 (Amendment) Regulations 2022 *20th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Product Safety and Metrology (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2022 *20th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (13 December)*

Draft Social Security (Class 2 National Insurance Contributions Increase of Threshold) Regulations 2022 *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (12 December)*

Draft National Health Service (NHS Payment Scheme—Consultation) (No. 2) Regulations 2022

Draft Pensions Appeal Tribunals (Late Appeal) (Amendment) Regulations 2022

Draft Conformity Assessment (Mutual Recognition Agreements) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (*13 December*)

Negative Instruments

National Health Service Pension Schemes (Member Contributions Etc.) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ended 18 November*

National Health Service (Primary Dental Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 *18th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 13 December*

Subsidy Control (Information-Gathering Powers) (Modification) Regulations 2022 *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 17 December*

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2022 *20th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 12 January*

Ammonium Nitrate Materials (High Nitrogen Content) Safety (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 *20th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 January*

Data Protection (Adequacy) (Republic of Korea) Regulations 2022 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 19 January.*

Tax Credits Act 2002 (Additional Payments Modification and Disapplication) Regulations 2022 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 17 January.*

Human Rights Remedial Order

Draft order under paragraph 2(a) referred to the Joint Committee on Human Rights

Draft Bereavement Benefits (Remedial) Order 2022 *Scrutiny period expires: 11 December*

Draft order waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft State Immunity Act 1978 (Remedial) Order 2022 (*7th Report*)

Treaties before the House

Agreement between the Swiss Confederation and the United Kingdom on Mutual Recognition in relation to Conformity Assessment *Scrutiny period expires: 16 January 2023*

Protocol, done at Strasbourg on 22 November 2017, amending the Additional Protocol to the Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons 2022 *Scrutiny period expires: 20 January 2023*

Retirement

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

Lord Lawson of Blaby (31 December)

COMMITTEES

Committees

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 7 December

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| Constitution Committee | Archbishops' Room, Millbank House | 10.00am |
| Environment and Climate Change Committee | Room 4 | 10.00am |
| Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee | | 10.30am |
| Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee | Virtual Meeting | 11.30am |
| Public Services Committee | Room 2 | 3.00pm |
| Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland Sub-Committee | Room 3 | 3.00pm |
| Finance Committee | Room 3A | 3.15pm |
| Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee) | Room 4 | 3.40pm |
| Conduct Committee | 2-03 Millbank House | 4.00pm |

Thursday 8 December

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| International Agreements Committee | | 11.00am |
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Monday 12 December

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| National Security Strategy (Joint Committee) | Room 4A | 4.00pm |
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Tuesday 13 December

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| Science and Technology Committee | | 10.00am |
| Built Environment Committee | | 10.15am |
| Economic Affairs Committee | | 3.00pm |
| European Affairs Committee | | 3.30pm |
| Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee | Room G-32, Millbank House | 3.45pm |

Wednesday 14 December

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| House of Lords Commission | The Lord Speaker's Room | 10.00am |
| International Relations and Defence Committee | Virtual meeting | 10.00am |
| Human Rights (Joint Committee) | Hybrid meeting | 2.45pm |

Thursday 15 December

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| Services Committee | Committee Room G | 12.15pm |
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Monday 19 December

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| Restoration and Renewal Client Board | The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House | 4.45pm |
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Tuesday 20 December

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| Communications and Digital Committee | | 2.15pm |
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Wednesday 21 December

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| Justice and Home Affairs Committee | | 10.00am |
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Tuesday 10 January

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| Joint Committee on the Draft Mental Health Bill | Room 15 | 3.15pm |
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Monday 6 February

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| Parliamentary Works Estimates Commission | Room 13 | 3.00pm |
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Tuesday 7 February

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| Procedure and Privileges Committee | Room 4A | 11.30am |
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Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday 6 December 2022

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Carlisle.

1 **Leave of Absence** Leave of absence was granted to Baroness Mone for the remainder of this Session.

Select Committee Report

2 **Secondary Legislation Scrutiny**

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

Includes information paragraphs on:

Draft Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) Regulations 2022

Draft Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body (Abolition) Regulations 2022

Tax Credits Act 2002 (Additional Payments Modification and Disapplication) Regulations 2022

Data Protection (Adequacy) (Republic of Korea) Regulations 2022. (21st Report, HL Paper 111)

Public Business

3 **X-rays: child refugees** A question was asked by Baroness Prashar and answered by Lord Murray of Blidworth.

4 **Employment policies** A question was asked by Lord Woodley and answered by Lord Callanan.

5 **Cross-government cost-cutting** A question was asked by Lord Bird and answered by Baroness Penn.

6 **COP 27: outcome** A question was asked by Lord McNicol of West Kilbride and answered by Lord Callanan.

7 **Joint Committee on the Draft Mental Health Bill** A message was brought from the Commons that, notwithstanding the Resolution of that House of 11 July 2022, it be an instruction to the Joint Committee on the draft Mental Health Bill that it should report by Thursday 13 January 2023.

8 **Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL]** Lord Hunt of Kings Heath presented a bill to make provision for the protection of care recipients, their carers and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 78)

9 **Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL]** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 78–EN)

10 **Mobile Homes (Pitch Fees) Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 72–EN)

11 **Draft Mental Health Bill** The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) moved that, notwithstanding the resolution of this House of 4 July, it be an instruction to the Joint Committee on the draft Mental Health Bill that it should report by 13 January 2023 instead of 16 December 2022. The motion was agreed to and a message was sent to the Commons.

12 **Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill** Lord Harlech, on behalf of Lord Benyon, moved that the order of commitment of 21 November be discharged and the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House; and that the instruction to the Grand Committee of 21 November shall also be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole House. The motion was agreed to.

13 **Energy Bill [HL]** Lord Callanan moved that the Bill be reported from the Committee of the Whole House in respect of proceedings up to and including Wednesday 7 September; and that the order of commitment of 19 July be discharged and the remainder of the bill be committed to a Grand Committee; and that the instruction to the Committee of the Whole House of 19 July shall also be an instruction to the Grand Committee. The motion was agreed to.

14 **Prison capacity** Lord Bellamy answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Wednesday 30 November.

15 **National Security Bill** Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the motion was agreed to. Then Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that it be an instruction to the Committee that they consider the bill in the following order:

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| Clauses 1 to 14 | Schedule 9 |
| Schedule 1 | Clauses 50 to 52 |
| Clauses 15 to 21 | Schedule 10 |
| Schedule 2 | Clauses 53 to 56 |
| Clause 22 | Schedule 11 |
| Schedule 3 | Clause 57 |
| Clause 23 | Schedule 12 |
| Schedule 4 | Clauses 58 to 63 |
| Clause 24 | Schedule 13 |
| Schedule 5 | Clauses 64 to 71 |
| Clause 25 | Schedule 14 |
| Schedule 6 | Clause 72 to 86 |
| Clauses 26 to 37 | Schedule 15 |
| Schedule 7 | Clauses 87 to 90 |
| Clauses 38 to 41 | Schedule 16 |
| Schedule 8 | Clauses 91 to 98 |
| Clauses 42 to 49 | Title. |

The motion was agreed to.

16 **Royal Assent** The Lord Speaker (Lord Russell of Liverpool) notified the Queen's Assent to the following Acts:

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| Identity and Language (Northern Ireland) Act 2022 | c. 45 |
| Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022 | c. 46 |
| Counsellors of State Act 2022 | c. 47 |
| Northern Ireland (Executive Formation etc) Act 2022 | c. 48 |

17 **Food (Promotion and Placement) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Baroness Merron moved that this House regrets that the Food (Promotion and Placement) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1007) do not justify the delay in banning the promotion of high fat, sugar and salt (HFSS) products; and notes the evidence from His Majesty's Government's own Impact Assessment that the ban would have substantial monetised benefits. After debate, the motion was withdrawn.

18 **Food (Promotion and Placement) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022** Baroness Walmsley moved that this House regrets that the Food (Promotion and Placement) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1007) will delay without sufficient justification the implementation of the ban on promoting high fat, sugar and salt products through 'buy-one-get-one-free' offers in England, which was expected to deliver public health benefits and significant savings to the NHS. The motion was withdrawn.

The House adjourned at 7.35pm until Wednesday 7 December at 3.00pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 3.45pm.

Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022

Baroness Vere of Norbiton moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Social Security (Class 2 National Insurance Contributions Increase of Threshold) Regulations 2022

Baroness Penn moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Social Security (Class 2 National Insurance Contributions Increase of Threshold) Regulations 2022. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022

Baroness Penn moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022. The motion was agreed to.

Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (Exemptions) (Fees) Regulations 2022

Lord Benyon moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (Exemptions) (Fees) Regulations 2022. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Agricultural Holdings (Fee) Regulations 2022

Lord Benyon moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Agricultural Holdings (Fee) Regulations 2022. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The Committee adjourned at 5.44pm.

Papers

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

Command Paper

The following paper was presented to the House by command of His Majesty:

- 1 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Education (School Teachers' Qualifications and Induction Arrangements) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022. (—)

Affirmative Instruments

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

- 1 Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (1280)
- 2 Draft Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Amendment of List of Responders) Order 2023

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Electricity (Connection Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (1265)
- 2 Seed (Equivalence) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022 (1274)
- 3 Organic Production (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 (1279)