

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.

***Baroness Merron** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the reasons why this year's NHS spending on short-notice agency doctors and nurses is 20 per cent higher than the previous year.

†*At 4.15pm*

†**Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body (Abolition) Regulations 2022** The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 22 November be approved. *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Considered in Grand Committee on 13 December*

Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill Committee (day 2) [Lord Benyon] *8th Report from the Constitution Committee. 19th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee.*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm**Energy Bill [HL]** Committee (day 4) [Lord Callanan]**Future Business****Thursday 15 December 2022 at 11.00am***Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbots** 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.

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*Items marked † are new or have been altered**Bills marked § have been set down before the expiry of the recommended minimum interval between stages.**[I] indicates that the member concerned has a relevant registered interest.*

***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.

†***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address reported shortages of supplies of antibiotics, given the increase in cases of Streptococcus A.

Business of the House The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) to move that Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Tuesday 20 December to allow the Finance Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day

Liaison The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *New committee activity in 2023* (3rd Report, HL Paper 104) be agreed to.

†**Lord Bruce of Bennachie** to move that this House takes note of His Majesty's Government's approach to Official Development Assistance spending. (*Balloted debate, 3 hours*)

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 Storey** 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, 2 hours*)

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

Lord Verdirame, and

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest will be introduced.

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 Robathan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the deployment of military personnel over Christmas to replace Border Force staff, ambulance drivers, and other public sector workers taking industrial action; and what plans they have to give those military personnel additional pay.

***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.

†§**National Security Bill** Committee [Lord Sharpe of Epsom]

†**Baroness Hooper** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve trade and investment relations with countries in Central America. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

†*It is expected that the Committee stage of the Energy Bill will continue in the Moses Room at 3.45pm.*

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 14 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 16 December.*

†**Investigatory Powers (Communications Data) (Relevant Public Authorities and Designated Senior Officers) Regulations 2022** Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 17 November be approved. *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Non-Domestic Rating (Chargeable Amounts) (England) Regulations 2022** Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 23 November be approved.

†**Finance Bill** Second Reading [Lord Harlech] (*Money Bill—1 December*)

†*If the Business of the House motion in the name of the Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) on Thursday 15 December is agreed to, it is expected that the remaining stages of the Finance Bill will be taken.*

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 15 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 19 December.*

†*It is expected that the Committee stage of the National Security Bill will continue.*

†**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. (*Lunch break business, 1 hour*)

Monday 9 January 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to revise the employment contracts for police officers.

***Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to review the current balance between members of the House of Lords who take the Conservative whip and those who take the whip of the Official Opposition.

***Lord Strathcarron** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the data protection and privacy implications for UK citizens of the operation of private facial recognition companies such as PimEyes.

***Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the long-term need for foodbanks.

Tuesday 10 January 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Lord Howarth of Newport** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the practice of 'greenwashing' by businesses; and what steps, if any, they intend to take to tackle it.

†***Lord Singh of Wimbledon** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the working of the prison chaplaincy service; and in particular, the extent to which representatives of all faiths are included in the discussions of the Prison and Probation Service's Chaplaincy Council.

†***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to create a new single Public Service Ombudsman for England (and reserved UK matters) with modernised powers in line with the Venice Principles of international best practice standards, endorsed by the United Kingdom in United Nations resolution A/RES/75/186.

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

†**Baroness Randerson** to move that this House regrets that the Subsidy Control (Information-Gathering Powers) (Modification) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1152) remove important requirements to consult the devolved governments in relation to subsidy control policy and undermine a United Kingdom wide approach to the regulation of subsidies. 19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee

†**Lord Paddick** to move that this House regrets that the draft Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Codes of Practice) (Revision of Code A) Order 2022 does not restrict the powers of police constables to stop and search people without suspicion to those limited geographic areas piloting Serious Violence Reduction Orders, but instead permits all police constables in England and Wales to make use of this power during the time of the pilot. 15th 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.

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*)

Lord Leigh of Hurley to ask His Majesty's Government what further fiscal steps they will take to facilitate the growth of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). (*Treasury*)

Lord Cormack to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are offering to the government of Ukraine to restore (1) buildings of historic importance which have been damaged, and (2) museum collections which have been pillaged, since the Russian invasion of that country in February. (*Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office*)

Lord Wolfson of Aspley Guise to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking (1) to increase the supply, and (2) to improve the quality, of homes that people want, in the places they want to live, while ensuring that development does not adversely affect existing communities. (*Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 13 December and due for answer by 29 December.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of testimony by Hervé Diakiese Kyungu to a US Congressional hearing on 14 July that 40,000 children, some as young as six years old, are working in mines in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and what steps they are taking (1) through engagement with technology companies, and (2) via Overseas Development Assistance, to end the practice of child labour. HL4243

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to ensure that children who have experienced sexual violence in conflict are prioritised in the implementation of their new Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Strategy; and what steps they are taking to strengthen the effectiveness of the investigation and prosecution of sexual violence against children in conflict. HL4244

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry for Ukraine that sexual and gender-based violence has been committed against children as young as four; and what steps they are taking to ensure that perpetrators of such crimes are held to account. HL4245

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the reply by Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park on 8 December (HL Deb, col 252), what plans they have to hold discussions with major technology companies regarding the use of child labour in cobalt mines in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and in particular its role in the extraction of lithium for use in batteries. HL4246

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government what recent assessment they have made of the current operation of the UK energy market; and what plans they have, if any, to propose alternatives to the current operation. HL4247

The Lord Bishop of Exeter to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they are having with amenity societies in relation to the installation of solar panels on listed buildings. HL4248

Lord Haworth to ask His Majesty's Government when Great British Nuclear will be (1) established, and (2) fully operational. HL4249

Lord Hylton to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support further dialogue between the peoples of Israel and Palestine; and in particular between (1) those active in civil society, and (2) others who influence public opinion; and what discussions they have held with other countries in support of such dialogue. HL4250

Lord Hylton to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Resolution of the UN General Assembly on 2 December calling for renewed peace talks between Israel and Palestine, in accordance with UN Security Council Resolution 1850. HL4251

Lord Hylton to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, if any, to support (1) the EU, and (2) countries on the Mediterranean coast, with refugees in that region; and what plans they have, if any, to contribute to the EU's proposed Voluntary Solidarity Mechanism. HL4252

Lord Lexden to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the reasons for the increase in the size of the Privy Council in recent years. HL4253

Lord Lexden to ask His Majesty's Government how many special advisers were appointed to assist ministers on (1) 1 January 1997, (2) 1 January 1998, (3) 1 January 2010, (4) 1 January 2011, (5) 1 January 2016, and (6) 1 December 2022. HL4254

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government how many young people aged 16 to 25 are currently on social housing waiting lists in England. HL4255

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the decline in social housing lettings to young people aged 16 to 25 over the last decade; and in any such assessment, what conclusions they have drawn as to the explanation for this. HL4256

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the reply by Lord Murray of Blidworth on 6 December (HL Deb cols 85 and 88), what factors they will consider in deciding whether to publish the report of the Independent Age Estimation Advisory Committee. HL4257

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to publish the report on the discovery phase of the managed migration of Universal Credit; and if so, when they intend to do so. HL4258

Lord McInnes of Kilwinning to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Azerbaijan regarding reports of the blocking of the Lachin Corridor between Armenia and Artsakh/Nagorno-Karabakh on 12 December. HL4259

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the severe cold weather on (1) vulnerable households, and (2) the ability of those residents on pre-payment meters to access Government help with household bills; and what steps they will take to facilitate access to support for the most vulnerable households. HL4260 [I]

Baroness Merron to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the standards set by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society's *Professional Standards for Homecare Services in England*, published in September 2013, which are embedded into all framework agreement service specifications for providers of homecare medicines services; and in particular, what assessment they have made whether those standards are sufficient regarding (1) delayed deliveries, (2) delayed treatment initiation, and (3) missed doses. HL4261

Baroness Merron to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to meet the British Society for Rheumatology to discuss its concerns about the safety and performance of homecare medicines services. HL4262

Baroness Merron to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will publish the minutes of meetings between NHS England and the National Homecare Medicines Committee at which actions to address safety and performance of homecare medicines services were discussed and agreed. HL4263

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that those newly appointed as Asylum Decision Makers are adequately trained in order to achieve fair outcomes. HL4264

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the requirement in the Voter Identification Regulations 2022 for electors to possess photo identification in order to vote, how electors participating using a postal vote will be required to prove their identity when completing their ballot paper. HL4265

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to increase the marriage tax allowance. HL4266

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what recent assessment they have made of the effectiveness of the current rate of marriage tax allowance in supporting couples financially. HL4267

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what financial assistance they are providing to couples who (1) are getting married, or (2) have recently married. HL4268

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to help small charities with increases in (1) rent, and (2) utility, bills. HL4269

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions the Parliamentary Secretary for the Cabinet Office (Minister for Constitution) has had with other ministers regarding the post-Brexit funding arrangements. HL4270

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Goldie on 12 December (HL3834), what is the definition of Full Operational Capability of Carrier Strike. HL4271

Baroness Whitaker to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by the Traveller Movement *Disrupting the School to Prison Pipeline*, published in July; and what steps they intend to take in response to the recommendations made in that report. HL4272

Baroness Young of Old Scone to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that those veterinary medicines at risk of being discontinued in Northern Ireland will continue to be available after the end of the 'grace period' for implementation of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland; and what discussions they are holding with the EU in relation to (1) short term, and (2) long term, solutions to the challenges of availability of veterinary medicines in Northern Ireland. HL4273

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)

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]

17 November (1 December)

HL3519 Lord Rogan [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

21 November (5 December)

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

22 November (6 December)

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]

23 November (7 December)

HL3698 Baroness Goudie [Women and Equalities]

HL3705 Baroness Jones of Whitchurch [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3732 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3733 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3734 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3735 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3736 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

24 November (8 December)

HL3742 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

28 November (12 December)

HL3791 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3792 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3793 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3807 Baroness Lister of Burtersett [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3808 Baroness Lister of Burtersett [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3824 Lord Truscott [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

HL3826 Lord Truscott [Treasury]

29 November (13 December)

HL3839 Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3858 The Lord Bishop of St Albans [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3838 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

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

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (9)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (2)

Health and Social Care (14)

Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (1)

Treasury (1)

Women and Equalities (1)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
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	20 December
Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Financial Services and Markets Bill	Government	
Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill	Government	
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	14 December

Committed to a Committee of the Whole House

Local Authority (Housing Allocation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	
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	14 December
National Security Bill	Government	19 December

Waiting for Report

Northern Ireland Protocol Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) (<i>Welsh legislative consent withheld</i>)	Government	
Ecology Bill [HL] (<i>formerly Climate and Ecology Bill [HL]</i>)	Private Member's	
Front-loaded Child Benefit Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Order Bill	Government	

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	
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	
Procurement Bill [HL]	Government	

Returned to the Commons amended

Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill	Government	
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Examination of Petitions for Private Bills

Monday 19 December at 11:00am, in Committee Room 2

Bishop's Stortford Cemetery

Royal Albert Hall

City of London (Markets)

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

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

Draft Immigration (Leave to Enter and Remain) (Amendment) Order 2023

Draft Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 (Legal Aid: Family and Domestic Abuse) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2023

Draft Local Government (Structural Changes) (Supplementary Provision and Amendment) Order 2023

Draft Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Codes of Practice) (Revision of Code H) 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 Investigatory Powers (Communications Data) (Relevant Public Authorities and Designated Senior Officers) Regulations 2022 *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (20 December)*

Draft Public Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2022

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

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*

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

Draft Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body (Abolition) Regulations 2022 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (14 December)*

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 *(20 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 ended 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*

Criminal Legal Aid (Remuneration) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 *22nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 28 January*

Human Rights Remedial Orders

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*

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*

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 14 December

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 3-20, Millbank House	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Virtual meeting	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 4	11.00am
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	4.00pm

Thursday 15 December

Public Services Committee	Virtual Meeting	9.00am
Electronic Trade Documents Bill [HL] Special Public Bill Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Services Committee	Committee Room G	12.15pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 1	1.45pm

Monday 19 December

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

Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 2A	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee		2.15pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room G-32, Millbank House	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 3-20, Millbank House	4.00pm

Wednesday 21 December

Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.00am
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Monday 9 January

Finance Bill Sub-Committee		4.00pm
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Tuesday 10 January

Science and Technology Committee		10.00am
Built Environment Committee		10.15am
Joint Committee on the Draft Mental Health Bill	Room 15	3.15pm

Wednesday 11 January

Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland Sub-Committee		2.45pm
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Wednesday 18 January

Finance Committee	Room 3A	3.15pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

Monday 23 January

Committee of Selection	Room 2A	4.00pm
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Tuesday 7 February

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 4A	11.30am
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Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday 13 December 2022

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford.

1 **Lord Prentis of Leeds** David Prentis, having been created Baron Prentis of Leeds, of Harehills in the City of Leeds, for life by Letters Patent dated in the afternoon of 18 November, was introduced between Lord Lennie and Baroness Wheeler, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 **Baroness Couttie** The Lord Speaker (Lord McFall of Alcluith) informed the House that Baroness Couttie, a member of the House, had died on 12 December.

Select Committee Reports

3 Secondary Legislation Scrutiny

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

Drawn to the special attention of the House:

Education (School Teachers' Qualifications and Induction Arrangements) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022

Includes information paragraphs on:

Criminal Legal Aid (Remuneration) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022. (22nd Report, HL Paper 114)

4 Secondary Legislation Scrutiny

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

Responses from the Government and the Regulatory Policy Committee to Losing Impact: why the Government's impact assessment system is failing Parliament and the public. (23rd Report, HL Paper 116)

5 Economic Affairs

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

Where have all the workers gone? (2nd Report, HL Paper 115)

Public Business

6 **Renewable energy: generation licences** A question was asked by Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb and answered by Lord Callanan.

7 **Railway station ticket offices** A question was asked by Lord Snape and answered by Baroness Vere of Norbiton.

8 **School meals: funding** A question was asked by Baroness D'Souza and answered by Baroness Barran.

9 **Albanian asylum seekers** A question was asked by Lord Dubs and answered by Lord Murray of Blidworth.

10 **Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill** A bill to enable the implementation of, and the making of other provision in connection with, the government procurement Chapters of the United Kingdom's free trade agreements with Australia and New Zealand was brought from the Commons. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 81)

11 **Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 81-EN)

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

Baroness Vere of Norbiton moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 31 October be approved. The motion was agreed to.

13 Procurement Bill [HL] Baroness Neville-Rolfe made a statement on Legislative Consent. Then the bill was read a third time. A privilege amendment was agreed to. An amendment was agreed to. Then the bill was passed and sent to the Commons.

14 Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill The bill was read a third time and, after debate, passed and returned to the Commons with amendments.

15 Voter Identification Regulations 2022 Baroness Scott of Bybrook moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 3 November be approved. Then Baroness Pinnock moved, as an amendment to the motion in the name of Baroness Scott of Bybrook, leave out from “that” to the end and insert “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”. After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (see division). Then the original motion was agreed to.

16 NHS industrial action: Government preparations Lord Markham answered questions on an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Monday 12 December.

17 Public Order Bill The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 117. The House resumed and the bill was reported with amendments. The bill, as amended, was ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 82)

The House adjourned at 9.50pm until Wednesday 14 December at 1.00pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

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

Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body (Abolition) Regulations 2022 The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body (Abolition) Regulations 2022. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Public Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2022 Baroness Bloomfield of Hinton Waldrist moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Public Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2022. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (Transfer of Functions) Order 2023 Baroness Vere of Norbiton moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (Transfer of Functions) Order 2023. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Product Safety and Metrology (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2022 Lord Callanan moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Product Safety and Metrology (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2022. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Conformity Assessment (Mutual Recognition Agreements) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 Lord Callanan moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Conformity Assessment (Mutual Recognition Agreements) (Amendment) Regulations 2022. The motion was agreed to.

The Committee adjourned at 5.54pm.

Papers

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

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Financial Stability Report by the Financial Policy Committee: December 2022
- 2 Remit and recommendations for the Financial Policy Committee: Response from the Financial Policy Committee
- 3 Report of the Domestic Abuse Commissioner: Safety Before Status: The Solutions
- 4 Report of His Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Education, Children’s Services and Skills 2021–22
- 5 Report and Accounts of the Board of Trustees of the Royal Armouries 2021–22
- 6 Report of the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament 2021–22
- 7 Report of The Law Commission 2021–22

Division

Voter Identification Regulations 2022

Baroness Pinnock moved, as an amendment to the motion in the name of Baroness Scott of Bybrook, to leave out from “that” to the end and insert “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”. The House divided:

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