

HOUSE OF LORDS BUSINESS

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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.

***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*)