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& MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

# Tuesday 21 February 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

\*Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking in response to the report of the House of Commons Home Affairs Select Committee on Prostitution (Third Report, Session 2016–17, HC 26); and in particular, the recommendations on (1) decriminalising soliciting; and (2) amending brothel-keeping laws to allow independent sex workers to operate together indoors for safety.

\*The Lord Bishop of Gloucester to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the commitment by Lord Wolfson of Tredegar on 3 February 2021 (HL Deb col 2286) to "regularly reassess the effectiveness of any law and associated practices in protecting victims", what recent assessment they have made of the need to review the existing defences for individuals whose offending or alleged offending results from their experience of domestic abuse.

\*Baroness Thornton to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to assess the impact of their (1) policies, and (2) planned spending cuts, on people with disabilities, to ensure that they do not exacerbate existing inequalities.

\*Lord Howarth of Newport to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to discontinue the practice of accommodating asylum seekers in hotels.

Public Order Bill Third Reading [Lord Sharpe of Epsom]

Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill Second Reading [Lord Callanan]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Callanan to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole House that they consider the bill in the following order:

Clause 1 Clauses 2 to 6 Schedule Title.

## Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Benyon]

Alcoholic Beverages (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Benyon]

Higher-Risk Buildings (Descriptions and Supplementary Provisions)
Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Scott of Bybrook]

†Authority to Carry Scheme and Civil Penalties Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Murray of Blidworth] 26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee

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## **Future Business**

# Wednesday 22 February 2023 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Baroness Blackstone to ask His Majesty's Government, further to their commitment to the Global Methane Pledge launched at COP26, what plans they have to set a target for reducing methane emissions by 30 per cent on 2020 levels by 2030.
- \*Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect the Joint Committee on Vaccinations and Immunisations (JCVI) will announce the national immunisation programme for respiratory viruses for the winter season 2023/2024.
- \*Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the freeze in local housing allowance rates.
- †\*The Duke of Wellington to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reconsider their proposal to increase to £250 million the maximum penalty for serious pollution incidents by water companies; and what assessment they have made of the reported remarks by the chair of the Environment Agency describing the proposal as "crazy".

**Business of the House** The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) to move that, in the event of the Northern Ireland (Executive Formation) Bill having arrived from the House of Commons, Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Monday 27 February to allow the Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day and that, in accordance with Standing Order 47 (*Amendments on Third Reading*), amendments shall not be moved on Third Reading.

**Restoration and Renewal Programme Board** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that this House concurs with the Commons message of 8 February, and

- (1) notes the report from the House of Commons Commission and the House of Lords Commission on the membership of the Restoration and Renewal Programme Board (HL Paper 138), published on 24 January;
- (2) notes the names of the Members of the House of Commons appointed to the Board on 7 February;
- (3) appoints Lord Collins of Highbury, Lord Morse, Lord Sherbourne of Didsbury, and the Clerk of the Parliaments, as members of the Restoration and Renewal Programme Board; and
- (4) agrees with the Commons that Paul Duffree, Steve Hails and Sir Jonathan Stephens should be appointed as external members of the Board and that Nigel Evans MP should be Chair of the Board.

Mobile Homes (Pitch Fees) Bill Committee [Lord Udny-Lister]

†Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill Committee (day 2) [Baroness Scott of Bybrook] 24th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee, 12th Report from the Constitution Committee

## Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

**Postponement of Local Elections (Northern Ireland) Order 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Caine] *27th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee* 

The following two motions are expected to be debated together:

Tax Credits, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Penn]

Social Security (Contributions) (Rates, Limits and Thresholds Amendments and National Insurance Funds Payments) Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Penn]

*The following three motions are expected to be debated together:* 

**Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Younger of Leckie]

Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Younger of Leckie]

Benefit Cap (Annual Limit) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Younger of Leckie]

Nuclear Regulated Asset Base Model (Revenue Collection) Regulations 2023 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Callanan]

# Thursday 23 February 2023 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

\*Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the loss of funding to the United Kingdom since 2020 as a result of leaving the Horizon programme; and whether they have fully compensated for that loss.

\*Baroness Wheeler to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the survey by the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy, published on 1 December 2022, which found that there was a shortage of rehabilitation services, that rehabilitation spaces had not been returned to use for physiotherapy care following the COVID-19 pandemic, and that stroke survivors were being "imprisoned at home with a bed and commode" while waiting for care.

\*Baroness Merron to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the impact that the logistical difficulties of getting a GP appointment has on patient outcomes, and (2) the extent to which the needs and choice of individual patients are being met in making healthcare appointments.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 21 February.

**Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill** Committee [Lord Callanan] 28th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee, 13th Report from the Constitution Committee

## Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

**Lord Bach** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to change the (1) structure, (2) purpose, and (3) powers, of Police and Crime Panels. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)* 

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for the delivery of health care in rural areas. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)* 

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what their priorities are in respect of the conduct of British–Iranian relations. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)* 

# Monday 27 February 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

\*Lord Harries of Pentregarth to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the government of Georgia about the condition of Mikhail Saakashvili, the imprisoned former president of that country.

- \*Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take to improve train services in the north of England.
- \*Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take in response to the report by the Medicines Manufacturing Industry Partnership *Fulfilling the potential identified in the Government's Life Sciences Vision*, published on 23 January, which found that medicines manufacturing and employment has declined in the United Kingdom over the last 25 years.
- \*Baroness Walmsley to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of food price rises on the provision of food by public sector organisations, in particular the nutrient levels of school lunches.

# Tuesday 28 February 2023 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Lord Beith to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential impact of the proposed creation of the Lindisfarne Highly Protected Marine Conservation Area on the fishing community and the local economy of Holy Island.
- \*Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to increase the flow of passengers through the border control at the Eurostar terminal at St Pancras station.
- \*The Lord Bishop of Oxford to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of progress on their Heat and Buildings Strategy, published on 19 October 2021; and whether they have any plans to change the date of 2025 for banning the installation of gas boilers in new-build homes.

†Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL] Second Reading (The Senior Deputy Speaker)

# Wednesday 1 March 2023 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Baroness Parminter to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve men's access to eating disorder services.
- \*Lord Moylan to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in developing a new action plan for prisoners serving an indeterminate Imprisonment for Public Protection (IPP) sentence.
- \*Lord Bird to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to prevent homeless people who are living in hostels or supported homes in England from being pushed back on to the streets; and what progress they have made with their target to end rough sleeping by 2024.

## Thursday 2 March 2023 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Lord Young of Cookham to ask His Majesty's Government when they will respond to the findings of their consultation on the Mental Capacity Act 2005: Small Payments Scheme, which closed on 12 January 2022.
- \*Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty's Government whether the right for people engaged with the criminal justice system to access translation and interpreting services will be affected by the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill; and if so, in what ways.

†\*Lord Fox to ask His Majesty's Government how they will ensure that electric cars built in the United Kingdom after 2024 meet the country-of-origin requirements, such that they can continue to be exported to the European Union tariff-free.

# Monday 6 March 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

- \*Lord Touhig to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for new initiatives to encourage business and industry to employ disabled people.
- \*Lord Haskel to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to recognise the role of carers in England and their contribution to the economy.
- \*Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the plans of the United States of America's Department of Defense to commission an independent review of the safety, security, and reliability of its (1) nuclear weapons, (2) nuclear command, control and communications (NC3), and (3) integrated tactical warning and attack assessment systems; and whether they intend to carry out a similar failsafe review.
- \*Lord Woodley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to legislate to ensure high standards of workers' rights.

# Tuesday 7 March 2023 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Lord Teverson to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the environmental provisions of the Inflation Reduction Act 2022 in the United States of America, and (2) the Green Deal Industrial Plan announced by the European Union in January; and what plans they have to prevent any resulting leakage of future green investment from the United Kingdom.
- \*Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of social mobility in the creative and cultural sector, and what steps they are taking to improve it.
- \*Lord Crisp to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are providing for health workers in Myanmar who are caring for patients outside the areas controlled by the military government of that country.

## Wednesday 8 March 2023 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Baroness Deech to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made with their three-year review of the law governing financial provision on divorce since the commitment made by the then Advocate General for Scotland Lord Keen of Elie in his letter dated 16 March 2020 (DEP2020-0150) to gather evidence, consult and develop recommendations on this matter.
- \*Baroness Twycross to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the reasons why women are paid less than men; and what steps they are taking to address this issue.
- \*Baroness Donaghy to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve women's safety (1) from domestic violence, and (2) in the streets.

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# Thursday 9 March 2023 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Lord Foulkes of Cumnock to ask His Majesty's Government further to the answer by Lord Offord of Garvel on 7 December 2022 (HL Deb col 171), whether they have received a report from the Cabinet Secretary on *ultra vires* expenditure by the Scottish Government; and what steps they are taking in respect of this matter.
- \*Baroness Sheehan to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of methane flaring on meeting the United Kingdom's carbon budgets; and what plans they have to ban this practice.
- \*Lord Bassam of Brighton to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to maintain Theatre Tax Relief at the higher rate of 45 per cent / 50 per cent for the next three years; and what assessment they have made on the impact of that relief in facilitating growth and investment in the sector.

# Monday 13 March 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

- \*Lord Rogan to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they are having with airlines about strengthening regional connectivity between Northern Ireland and Great Britain following the collapse of Flybe.
- \*Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the decreasing numbers of accessible and affordable playing fields.
- \*Lord Singh of Wimbledon to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had at the United Nations about the case for introducing an obligation on countries intervening in conflicts to accept a moral and legal responsibility for the safety and wellbeing of individuals displaced by such conflicts.
- \*Baroness Altmann to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the report by Pensions For Purpose *One year on TCFD reporting for pension fund*, published on 1 February, whether they intend to produce guidance for pension schemes in relation to their fiduciary duties.

# Tuesday 14 March 2023 at 2.30pm

†The Lord Bishop of Sheffield will be introduced.

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- \*Lord Hain to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of car production in the United Kingdom since 2016.
- \*Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what form of carbon reduction costing or pricing they use to assess the relative merits of different cleaner energy technologies in reducing the United Kingdom's carbon emissions.
- \*Lord Holmes of Richmond to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to designate data, digital, and financial literacy as compulsory subjects in primary and secondary schools in England.

# Wednesday 15 March 2023 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

\*Lord Black of Brentwood to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards their target of eliminating HIV transmission in England by 2030.

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS**

- \*Baroness Wilcox of Newport to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential impact of inflation on the devolved budget for Wales.
- †\*Lord Addington to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they plan to take to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the game of rugby football; and what plans they have to support rugby as a grassroots game.

# Thursday 16 March 2023 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

- \*Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on students of industrial action in universities.
- \*Lord Snape to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support the bus industry in England following the end of the current bus subsidy arrangements.
- \*Lord Khan of Burnley to ask His Majesty's Government what recent steps they have taken to improve housing conditions for both social housing and privately rented properties.

# Monday 20 March 2023 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)* 

- †\*Baroness Cumberlege to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for making the best use of community pharmacies.
- †\*Lord Lexden to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions they have held with the Police and Crime Commissioners for Cleveland, and for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.
- †\*Baroness Chakrabarti to ask His Majesty's Government whether they remain (1) opposed to the use of the death penalty, and (2) committed to the United Kingdom's membership of the Council of Europe.
- †\*Lord Hacking to ask His Majesty's Government what is their policy regarding the receipt of deliveries of gifts of flowers to ministers and officials at the Home Office.

## **Motions for Balloted Debate**

The ballot to select two motions for debate closes at 5pm on Tuesday 18 April, to be drawn on Wednesday 19 April, for debate on Wednesday 3 May. Combined time limit of 5 hours.

# **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* 

**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 2022

**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 2022

**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 2022* 

**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 2022* 

**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 2022* 

**Baroness Parminter** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee *In our hands: Behaviour change for climate and environmental goals* (1st Report, HL Paper 64). *12 October 2022* 

**Lord Moylan** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Built Environment Committee *Public Transport in Towns and Cities* (1st Report, HL Paper 89). *9 November 2022* 

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Children and Families Act 2014 Committee *A Failure of implementation* (HL Paper 100). 6 December 2022

# **Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation**

**Lord Allan of Hallam** to move that this House regrets that the Communications Act 2003 (Restrictions on the Advertising of Less Healthy Food) (Effective Date) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1311) will delay for 33 months, until 1 October 2025, the implementation of the ban on advertising less healthy foods and drinks before the 9pm watershed on television, on radio and on online media. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 24th Report* 

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Baroness Chapman of Darlington to move that this House regrets that the data supporting the Education (School Teachers' Qualifications and Induction Arrangements) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1256) suggests that they will not prevent the continued fall in the number of overseas teachers qualifying to work in England over recent years (other than in 2021–22); and that the Regulations therefore demonstrate that His Majesty's Government lack a coherent, holistic plan for the teaching workforce in England. Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 24th Report

Baroness Merron to move that this House regrets that the Department of Health and Social Care's explanatory memorandum for the Communications Act 2003 (Restrictions on the Advertising of Less Healthy Food) (Effective Date) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI 2022/1311) fails to provide sufficient information to gain a clear understanding of the instrument's policy objective and intended implementation. Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 24th Report

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to move that an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that the Official Controls (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 (SI 2023/17), made on 11 January and laid before the House on 12 January, be annulled because (1) they are injurious to the integrity of the United Kingdom's Internal Market given that the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland has not been replaced by new arrangements, (2) they thereby violate the New Decade, New Approach agreement, by giving effect to a customs and sanitary and phytosanitary border that divides the UK and treats Northern Ireland like a foreign country, (3) they seek to protect the integrity of a legal regime resulting from the imposition of laws in 300 different areas by a polity of which Northern Ireland is not a part and in which it has no representation, (4) they protect the integrity of a legal regime that undermines the 1998 Belfast Agreement, as amended by the St Andrews Agreement, which affords the people of Northern Ireland the right "to pursue democratically national and political aspirations", given that the people of Northern Ireland can no longer stand for election to pursue democratically national and political aspirations in relation to the said 300 areas of law. Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 26th Report

**Lord Berkeley** to move that this House regrets that the Carriers' Liability (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI 2023/29) and Carriers' Liability (Clandestine Entrants) (Level of Penalty: Code of Practice) Order 2023 (SI 2023/30) impose a series of unfair penalties on road carriers for the carriage of clandestine illegal immigrants or asylum seekers; and calls on His Majesty's Government to introduce a coherent and holistic policy for dealing with migrants and asylum seekers regardless of how they seek to enter the United Kingdom. *27th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee* 

Baroness Thornhill to move that this House regrets that the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit and Universal Credit Functions) (Modification) Order 2023 will freeze Local Housing Allowance (LHA) at the levels in applied in April 2020 and therefore fails to account for inflationary increases in rent, resulting in vulnerable claimants spending a greater proportion of income on rent; further recognises that His Majesty's Government's inability to control inflation has resulted in unaffordable rents and contributed to housing insecurity for all tenants; calls on His Majesty's Government to align LHA with local housing rates. Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 27th Report

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to move that this House regrets that the Short-term Holding Facility (Amendment) Rules 2022 (SI 2022/1345) remove important safeguards and reduce the standards for the lawful detention beyond 24 hours of migrants, including children and vulnerable adults, at the immigration detention facility in Manston, Kent; that the Home Office has not provided an adequate policy justification for, nor consulted on these changes; and that this potentially contentious legislation was brought into effect while the House was in recess. Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report

# **Questions for Short Debate**

These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 8 February 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 Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, with international partners, to calm the violence and build a lasting peace between the government of Israel and the Palestinian people.

**Lord Shipley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the relevance of the Barnett Formula in the distribution of public spending across the United Kingdom.

Lord Wolfson of Aspley Guise to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase the supply and improve the quality of the homes people want, in the places they want to live, while ensuring that development does not adversely affect existing communities.

**Baroness Andrews** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the equality and availability of adult social care; and what plans they have, if any, to increase support for (1) unpaid carers, and (2) people who draw on care.

**Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to introduce new economic policies to address the challenges of climate change in developing countries, particularly those that are members of the Commonwealth.

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the (1) economic, and (2) social, effects of two degrees of warming on the United Kingdom; in particular those relating to the effects of a rapidly warming Arctic.

**Lord Warner** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effect of the operation of the Voluntary Scheme for Branded Medicines Pricing and Access on the United Kingdom's life sciences sector.

**Lord Godson** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to build on the relationship between the United Kingdom and Japan.

**Baroness Finlay of Llandaff** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the effect of COVID-19 on the NHS workforce, and (2) the adequacy of medical student numbers, given current patient demand.

**Lord Harrington of Watford** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in the year since the launch of the Homes for Ukraine scheme; and what are their plans for the future of the scheme.

**Lord Cameron of Dillington** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the geothermal potential for heat and power in Great Britain; and what plans they have, if any, to make use of it.

**Lord Bird** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports that thousands of homeless people living in hostels and supported homes in England are at risk of being forced back onto the streets.

**Lord Howell of Guildford** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made regarding the development of the Sizewell C nuclear power station; and what recent assessment they have made of its design.

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the working conditions of civil servants, and (2) the relationships between Ministers and civil servants.

#### MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS FOR DEBATE

**Baroness Bakewell** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support lifelong learning in the working population.

# **Questions for Short Debate ballot entries**

The ballot for four Questions will close on Tuesday 14 March and be drawn on Wednesday 15 March for debate on Thursday 30 March. Time limit 1 hour.

**Lord Crisp** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their vision for improving both (1) population health, and (2) health services in England. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the Soft Drinks Industry Levy five years after its introduction. (*Treasury*)

**Baroness Sater** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the financial literacy of children through the provision of financial education in schools. (*Department for Education*)

**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*)

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to tackle the incidence of fatal stabbings with knives and other knife related crime. (*Home Office*)

**Baroness Cumberlege** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for making the most effective use of community pharmacies. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

†Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government what is their strategy for promoting export and inward investment. (*Department for Business and Trade*)

# **Questions for Written Answer**

Tabled on 20 February and due for answer by 6 March.

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the level of humanitarian aid that has been able to reach the four million Syrians in north-west Syria in areas not controlled by the Assad regime; and whether they plan to lay a UN Security Council Resolution codifying the use of crossings from Turkey to ensure humanitarian access.

HL5635

**Lord Anderson of Ipswich** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will publish the Framework Document to be agreed between the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and the Office for Environmental Protection.

HL5636

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what is the procedure for a medical professional to contact the DVLA if an individual is considered unfit to drive, following a medical diagnosis. HL5637

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the government of France regarding the conclusions of the independent review of the 2022 UEFA Champions League Final, chaired by Dr Tiago Brandão Rodrigues; and whether they intend to ask that government to seek from the French police (1) a response, and (2) an apology to Liverpool FC fans for the treatment they received.

HL5638

**Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government what mechanism has been proposed to select backbench peers for attendance at the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III on 6 May.

HL5639

**Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of the population in each of the 10 largest cities in England are in receipt of prescription medication for high blood pressure. HL5640

**Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Viscount Younger of Leckie on 14 February (HL5193), whether that figure includes (1) claims made within a person's Access to Work agreement, and (2) new claims for a new job where the claimant received Access to Work support in their previous employment.

HL5641

**Lord Clement-Jones** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of local authority compliance with the 2019 *Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse* in relation to the issuing of penalties as an intentional policy for generating revenue or profit.

HL5642

**Lord Clement-Jones** to ask His Majesty's Government what powers they have to reissue the 2019 *Code of Practice on Litter and Refuse* as binding statutory guidance on local councils and outsourced firms; and what plans they have, if any, to use those powers to do so in the current parliament.

HL5643

**The Lord Bishop of Coventry** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the governments of Armenia and Azerbaijan regarding the former's proposals of 16 February for resolving the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict.

HL5644

**Lord Dear** to ask His Majesty's Government, further the Written Answer by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 7 February (HL5017), whether they have made a specific assessment of the impact of the leadership training provided to all senior police officers by the College of Policing over the past decade; if so, whether that assessment concluded that the training had (1) been successful, and (2) delivered public confidence in the senior ranks of the police; and if they have made no such assessment, whether they will undertake one.

HL5645

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government what barriers they have identified to increasing the number of people who could be resettled through the Mandate Resettlement Scheme.

HL5646

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to consult with local authorities on an annual quota for refugee resettlement; and when they anticipate the first of these annual quotas will be brought before Parliament.

HL5647

**The Lord Bishop of Exeter** to ask His Majesty's Government how many deaths were attributed to antimicrobial resistance in England in (1) 2017, (2) 2018, (3) 2019, (4) 2020, and (5) 2021. HL5648

**The Lord Bishop of Exeter** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the National Farmers' Union about reducing antimicrobial resistance in livestock.

HL5649

**The Lord Bishop of Exeter** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the 'One Health' approach outlined in the report by the United Nations Environment Programme's *Bracing for Superbugs: Strengthening environmental action in the One Health response to antimicrobial resistance*, published on 7 February.

HL5650

**The Lord Bishop of Exeter** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they are having with water companies to mitigate the risks of antimicrobial resistance.

HL5651

**Lord Field of Birkenhead** to ask His Majesty's Government how many universal credit claims were subject to deductions in the most recent month for which data are available, broken down by parliamentary constituency; how much was the (1) total, and (2) average, sum of deductions in each constituency; and what proportion of those sums was deducted to repay advance payments.

HL5652

**Lord Field of Birkenhead** to ask His Majesty's Government how many benefit claims were subject to sanctions in the most recent three months for which data are available, broken down by parliamentary constituency; and how much was the (1) total, and (2) average, sum of benefit income lost by claimants due to sanctions in each constituency.

HL5653

**Lord Field of Birkenhead** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential merits of expanding the sample size for the Food Standards Agency's Food and You 2 survey to a minimum of 10,000 households.

HL5654

**Lord Field of Birkenhead** to ask His Majesty's Government how many universal credit claimants requested a deductions waiver in the most recent six months for which data is available; of those requests, what proportion were successful; and whether all universal credit claimants subject to a deduction are automatically informed of their option to seek a waiver.

HL5655

**Lord Field of Birkenhead** to ask His Majesty's Government how many universal credit claimants were subject to deductions as a result of overpayments where the fault lay entirely with the relevant government department or agency, in the most recent month for which figures are available.

HL5656

**Lord Field of Birkenhead** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have considered the potential merits of including the need to use a food bank, alongside undue hardship, in the criteria which may exempt claimants from having deductions taken from their universal credit claim.

HL5657

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Office for Environmental Protection's *Progress in improving the natural environment in England: 2021 to 2022*, published on 19 January, which concluded on the 25 Year Improvement Plan that "of 23 environmental targets assessed, none were found where Government's progress was demonstrably on track", what steps they are taking to improve progress against those targets.

HL5658

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken in response to the report by the Office for National Statistics *Habitat extent and condition, natural capital, UK: 2022*, published on 3 May 2022; in particular, what steps they are taking in respect of the changes in the number of protected sites on semi-natural grassland (1) in favourable condition from 2020–22, (2) in unfavourable condition from 2020–22, and (3) in recovering condition from 2020–22.

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the amount of development on grassland habitats that could be considered irreplaceable habitats under the National Planning Policy Framework that took place each year from 2015 to 2022.

HL5660

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the amount of development on semi-natural grassland that took place each year from 2015 to 2022. HL5661

**Baroness Harris of Richmond** to ask His Majesty's Government under what criteria migrants or refugees would be moved from an area once they have been satisfactorily settled in that area.

HL5662

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Welfare of Animals at the Time of Killing Regulations, including Council Regulation (EC) No 1099/2009 and connected domestic secondary legislation including the Welfare of Animals at the Time of Killing (England) Regulations 2015 and its devolved equivalents, constitute EU-derived subordinate legislation in the context of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill.

HL5663

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that the Welfare of Animals at the Time of Killing Regulations, including those that go further than EU requirements covering the protections for reptiles and amphibians, invertebrate animals and poultry, rabbits or hares killed elsewhere than in a slaughterhouse by their owner for the owner's private domestic consumption, are preserved in the context of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill.

HL5664

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government how they will ensure in their meeting of international justice ministers in March that (1) practical, and (2) financial, support is provided to ensure perpetrators of alleged war crimes against women and children in Ukraine are brought to justice.

HL5665

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government how they will seek to ensure effective collaboration between the International Criminal Court and all other (1) international, and (2) national, accountability mechanisms when investigating alleged war crimes against women and children in Ukraine.

HL5666

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to ensure that survivors of all ages of war crimes in Ukraine, particularly sexual violence, are represented in discussions about the justice process for prosecuting war crimes in that country.

HL5667

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to reform the Party Wall etc. Act 1996. HL5668

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government whether legacy practitioners applying on behalf of a family member of a victim to the proposed Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery requesting a review of a Troubles death or serious injury will be eligible for legal aid; what annual estimate they have made of the likely cost of such legal aid; and which Northern Ireland department will fund it.

HL5669

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government how much legal aid has been paid in respect of legacy claims in Northern Ireland in the last five years; and what proportion this represents of the total spending on legal aid in Northern Ireland during that period.

HL5670

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government whether, given the absence of a sitting Assembly in Northern Ireland, they will answer parliamentary questions on the governance of matters in Northern Ireland for which they are ultimately responsible.

HL5671

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what was the total cost of legal aid in England and Wales in the last five years.

HL5672

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to set up a public inquiry into the Gender Identity Development Service for Children (GIDS) at the Tavistock Clinic to establish whether the well-being and safeguarding of children were sufficiently protected.

HL5673

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 14 February (HL5455), whether they will direct NHS England to publish the agenda and minutes of its Data, Digital and Technology committee and other board committees, in the interests of transparency.

HL5674

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government how many people's GP records have been made accessible to contractors and sub-contractors working on NHS England's Cohorting as a Service system in 2023; and what data fields have been shared.

HL5675

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government which secure data environment is used by NHS England's Cohorting as a Service system; and whether this is used by all current cohorting service projects.

HL5676

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government how many integrated care systems have established services for Huntington's disease patients in their local areas.

HL5677

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have (1) to deliver their clinical research vision, and (2) to provide funding to support the growth of the UK's phase 1 trial capacity.

HL5678

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to review all cases of persons held for more than five years beyond their judicial tariffs.

HL5679

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government what guidance they provide to prisons to support the prevention of suicide in prisons in England and Wales.

HL5680

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to reduce the number of persons imprisoned for reasons of public protection; if so, how they will achieve this; and whether they will require that reasons for recalls to prison need additional detail rather than being classified as "other".

HL5681

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the humanitarian situation in Syria; and what consideration they have given to lifting the general economic sanctions imposed on that country.

HL5682

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government when the National Trust applied for, and when National Highways agreed to provide, £3 million from the environment and wellbeing designated funds to support a grassland reversion project in the Stonehenge landscape; what the terms of the grant are; and whether the grant has already been distributed in its entirety.

HL5683

**Lord Kamall** to ask His Majesty's Government what legal asylum or immigration routes there are for Afghan academics who worked with visiting British academics under the Development Partnerships in Higher Education (DelPHE) scheme, and who have subsequently been threatened by the Taliban regime, but have had their application to come to the UK under Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy (ARAP) rejected.

HL5684

**Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government how many external management consultants have been contracted by departments since 2019; and how many senior civil servants have taken early retirement since 2019.

HL5685

**Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made to close Chinese Confucius Institutes in the UK, if any; and what estimate they have made of how much of the spending on Mandarin teaching at schools has been channelled through Confucius Institutes.

HL5686

**Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government how much of UK's aid budget has been spent in China in the last three fiscal years; and how aid allocated to China in the last three fiscal years has been spent.

HL5687

**Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to support small and medium-sized enterprises bidding for public contracts.

HL5688

**Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to tackle fraud in public sector contracts; and what estimate they have made of how much money was lost to fraud in each of the last three years.

HL5689

**Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports of a network of "secret Chinese police stations" in the UK used by the government of China to identify political dissidents; and what steps they plan to take, if any, to shut them down.

HL5690

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the press statement by the Department for Work and Pensions on 27 January 2022, what assumptions were made (including regarding family type) to inform the statement that "people are at least £6,000 better off in full time work than on benefits".

HL5691

**Lord McColl of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have (1) to introduce an agreed definition of wholegrain, and (2) to set a recommended daily amount for its consumption.

HL5692

**Lord McColl of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to merits of introducing a public and private sector partnership aiming to increase the consumption of wholegrain foods.

HL5693

**Lord McColl of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address low wholegrain intakes in England.

HL5694

**Lord Mendelsohn** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 2 February (HL4910), when the next Therapeutics Clinical Review Panel is scheduled to meet to consider more recent evidence on COVID-19 risk; and who are the members of that panel.

HL5695

**Lord Mendelsohn** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 2 February (HL4910), whether the National Institute for Health and Care Research rapid study on those who remain vulnerable to poor outcomes from COVID-19 despite vaccination has been published; and if so, where that study can be accessed.

HL5696

**Lord Mendelsohn** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 1 February (HL4911), whether the work on the Cohorting as a Service platform has been completed; and if not, when this is scheduled to take place.

HL5697

Lord Mendelsohn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Kamall on 23 June 2022 (HL731), what specific data is collected on the number of treatments prescribed and administered by the COVID Medicines Delivery Units in England; where this information can be accessed; and which body is tasked with overseeing and acting on the results of this data.

HL5698

**Lord Mendelsohn** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 1 February (HL4939), when the figures referred to in the Written Answer on 12 April 2022 (HL711), which provide the number of clinically extremely vulnerable individuals who do not make antibodies through the vaccinations currently available but who would be protected by pre-exposure prophylaxis from monoclonal antibodies, will be updated.

HL5699

**Lord Mendelsohn** to ask His Majesty's Government when antibody testing in the UK to determine the cohort most at risk from COVID-19 will be introduced; and what assessment they have made of the testing level of <264 BAU/ml set by the government of France in early 2022 to define its at risk group for COVID-19.

HL5700

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the utility and safety of robotic techniques in surgical operations for patients in the UK.

HL5701

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made any forecast of the expected use of further robotic surgery in the NHS in the next five years; and whether this would be an increase or decrease from the current levels of use.

HL5702

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made an assessment of the use of robotic surgery in the UK compared to the use in (1) other European countries, and (2) the USA.

HL5703

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of prisoners who have neurodivergent conditions; and what plans they have, if any, to introduce a common screening system for these conditions throughout the criminal justice system.

HL5704

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of accessibility at train stations, such as Castle Cary station in Somerset, for passengers who are elderly, infirm or disabled.

HL5705

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent assessment they have made of whether the size and structure of the Metropolitan Police has a positive or negative impact on its performance.

HL5706

**Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede** to ask His Majesty's Government, how many parents whose children were subject to applications to deprive them of their liberty under (1) the inherent jurisdiction of the High Court, and (2) a secure accommodation order, were legally represented during the court proceedings in the last five years; and what percentage of such parents this represents.

HL5707

**Lord Porter of Spalding** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to strengthen regulatory powers in respect of the sale of vaping products to children.

HL5708 [I]

**Lord Porter of Spalding** to ask His Majesty's Government whether, as was announced in the 2021 Spending Review, the public health grants for 2023–24 and 2024–25 will increase in line with inflation.

HL5709 [I]

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of patients in paediatric intensive care units and wards this winter for Respiratory Syncytial Virus-related reasons; and what steps they are taking to mitigate the challenges of managing capacity in hospitals in respect of respiratory illnesses.

HL5710

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence regarding the suitability of its Single Technology Appraisal pathway to evaluate the cost-effectiveness of potentially one-time treatments such as novel cell and gene therapies for rare diseases.

HL5711

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to deliver on the commitment made in the Life Sciences Vision, published in July 2021, to introduce new treatment possibilities such as novel cell and gene therapies for patients with rare genetic diseases such as haemophilia.

HL5712

**Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to start a visa scheme, similar to that introduced for Ukrainians in 2022, for the people from Turkey and Syria who are homeless following the earthquakes in those countries.

HL5713

The Lord Bishop of Southwark to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the decision by the government of Israel to prohibit Palestinians under the age of 22 from entering Israel to participate in organised peace-building activities and the impact that this will have on UK-funded cross-community peace building work in the region.

HL5714

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are providing to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to help them transition to low carbon ways of working. HL5715

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what financial assistance they are providing to local authorities to help them meet net zero targets.

HL5716

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to prevent further disruption to the NHS given the industrial action taken by nurses.

HL5717

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to amend the terms of the Electricity Generator Levy to make it comparable with the equivalent regime relating to fossil fuels, including in the area of investment relief; and if so, when.

HL5718

**Lord Trefgarne** to ask His Majesty's Government what is the typical monthly salary of an ambulance crew member working in England.

HL5719

**Baroness Valentine** to ask His Majesty's Government whether funding for Priority Education Investment Areas is intended to provide an element of continuity funding to some of the previous Opportunity Areas; and whether they plan to distribute this funding in time to enable activity to continue during the current academic year.

HL5720

**Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by the Education Policy Institute *A spotlight on Design and Technology Study in England*, published on 23 March 2022; and in particular, the finding that take up of Design and Technology in schools has fallen significantly over the last decade.

HL5721

**Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve educational outcomes for deaf children.

HL5722

**Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of Auditory Verbal Therapy on educational outcomes for deaf children.

HL5723

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government how much funding they have committed to child mental health services in the current financial year; and how much funding they provided in each of the last three years.

HL5724

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what is the average waiting time from receiving a referral to child mental health services to receiving an appointment.

HL5725

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what was the total number of referrals to child mental health services in each of the last three years.

HL5726

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the provision of mental health services for children and young people.

HL5727

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect (1) children, and (2) vulnerable adults, from online encouragement to pursue behaviours that may lead to eating disorders.

HL5728

**Lord West of Spithead** to ask His Majesty's Government when their Semiconductor Strategy will be published.

HL5729

**Lord West of Spithead** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by the Centre for Policy Studies *Cashing in our Chips: How to strengthen the UK's semiconductor sector*, published on 10 February.

HL5730

**Lord West of Spithead** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to semiconductor supply in determining their national security policy.

HL5731

**Lord West of Spithead** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to purchase Multi-Role Support Ships for the Royal Navy; and whether such vessels are necessary for the future formation of Littoral Response Groups following retirement of the Albion-class Landing Platform Dock vessels.

HL5732

**Lord West of Spithead** to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to retire the Albion-class Landing Platform Dock vessels from active service; and whether these vessels are necessary for the formation of Littoral Response Groups until the entry into service of any Multi-Role Support Ships purchased.

HL5733

**Lord West of Spithead** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide aviation facilities to the Littoral Response Groups.

HL5734

# 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.

#### 14 December 2022 (30 December 2022)

HL4285 Baroness Foster of Aghadrumsee [Home Office]

#### **20 January** (3 February)

HL4943 Lord Mendelsohn [Department of Health and Social Care]

#### **23 January** (6 February)

HL4985 Lord Mendelsohn [Department of Health and Social Care]

#### **30 January** (13 February)

HL5189 Lord Blencathra [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL5210 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

# 2 February (16 February)

HL5368 Lord Randall of Uxbridge [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]

HL5365 Lord Porter of Spalding [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL5367 Lord Porter of Spalding [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL5358 Lord Hampton [Department for Education]

## 6 February (20 February)

HL5477 Baroness Thornhill [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

HL5478 Baroness Thornhill [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

HL5479 Baroness Thornhill [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

HL5471 Lord Rogan [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

HL5456 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL5458 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL5465 Baroness Morgan of Cotes [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

HL5420 Baroness Adams of Craigielea [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities] HL5470 Baroness Randerson [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

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

Culture, Media and Sport (1)

Education (1)

Health and Social Care (8)

Home Office (1)

Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (7)

# **Bills in Progress**

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Public Advocate Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Water Safety (Curriculum) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Private Burial Grounds and Cemeteries Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Employment and Trade Union Rights (Dismissal and Reengagement) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL] (King's consent to be signified)	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	
Bank Holidays (Wales) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Leasehold Reform (Forfeiture) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Neonatal Care (Leave and Pay) Bill	Private Member's	
Employment (Allocation of Tips) Bill	Private Member's	
Pensions Dashboard (Prohibition of Indemnification) Bill	Private Member's	
Shark Fins Bill (Welsh Legislative Consent granted)	Private Member's	
Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	28 February
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill	Government	21 February
Protection from Redundancy (Pregnancy and Family Leave) Bill	Private Member's	
Carer's Leave Bill	Private Member's	
Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Bill	Private Member's	
Committed to a Grand Committee		
Financial Services and Markets Bill	Government	

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Committee to a Committee of the Whole House		
Local Authority (Housing Allocation) 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	
Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill	Government	22 February
Online Safety Bill	Government	
Mobile Homes (Pitch Fees) Bill	Private Member's	22 February
OFCOM (Duty regarding Prevention of Serious Self-harm and Suicide) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Education (Non-religious Philosophical Convictions) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill	Government	23 February
Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill	Government	
Waiting for Report		
Northern Ireland Protocol Bill (King's consent to be signified) (Welsh Legislative Consent withheld)	Government	
Front-loaded Child Benefit Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Energy Bill [HL] (King's and Prince of Wales' consents to be signified)	Government	
National Security Bill	Government	
Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill (Welsh Legislative	Government	
Consent withheld)		
Waiting for Third Reading		
Schools Bill [HL]	Government	
Universal Credit (Removal of Two Child Limit) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Heritage Railways and Tramways (Voluntary Work) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Healthy Homes Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Government of Wales (Devolved Powers) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Ecology Bill [HL] (formerly Climate and Ecology Bill [HL])	Private Member's	
Coroners (Determination of Suicide) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Order Bill (Scottish Legislative Consent granted)	Government	21 February
Electronic Trade Documents Bill [HL] (Law Commission Bill)	Government	
Sent to the Commons		
Social Housing (Regulation) Bill [HL]	Government	
Ballot Secrecy Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Procurement Bill [HL]	Government	
Domestic Premises (Electrical Safety Certificate) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Returned to the Commons amended		
Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill	Government	

# **Waiting for Consideration of Commons Amendments**

UK Infrastructure Bank Bill [HL] (Welsh and Scottish Legislative Government

Consents granted)

Seafarers' Wages Bill [HL] Government

Waiting for Consideration of Commons Reason

Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill Government

# **Statutory Instruments in Progress**

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

Draft Code of Practice for the Forensic Science Regulator

Draft Agriculture (Financial Assistance) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements) Regulations 2023

Draft Direct Payments to Farmers (Reductions) (England) Regulations 2023

Draft Special Immigration Appeals Commission (Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 2023

Draft Medical Devices and Blood Safety and Quality (Fees Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Home Detention Curfew) Order 2023

Draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Green Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Non-Domestic Rating (Rates Retention: Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023

Draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Health Education England (Transfer of Functions, Abolition and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2023

Draft Treasure (Designation) (Amendment) 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 Nuclear Regulated Asset Base Model (Revenue Collection) Regulations 2023 (22 February)

Draft Higher-Risk Buildings (Descriptions and Supplementary Provisions) Regulations 2023 (21 February)

Draft Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) Regulations 2023 (21 February)

Draft Authority to Carry Scheme and Civil Penalties Regulations 2023 26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (21 February)

Draft Alcoholic Beverages (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023 (21 February)

Draft Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Benefit Cap (Annual Limit) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (22 February)

Draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2023 (22 February)

Draft Social Security (Contributions) (Rates, Limits and Thresholds Amendments and National Insurance Funds Payments) Regulations 2023 (22 February)

Draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2023 (22 February)

Draft Tax Credits, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Regulations 2023 (22 February)

Draft Radio Equipment (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 27th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee

Draft Higher-Risk Buildings (Key Building Information etc.) (England) Regulations 2023

Draft Judicial Pensions (Fee-Paid Judges) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Postponement of Local Elections (Northern Ireland) Order 2023 27th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (22 February)

Draft National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Administration, Investment, Charges and Governance) and Pensions Dashboards (Amendment) Regulations 2023

### **Negative Instruments**

Education (School Teachers' Qualifications and Induction Arrangements) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022 Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 24th Report. Praying time ended 27 January

Communications Act 2003 (Restrictions on the Advertising of Less Healthy Food) (Effective Date) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 24th Report. Praying time ended 4 February

Short-term Holding Facility (Amendment) Rules 2022 Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report. Praying time ended 20 February

Official Controls (Extension of Transitional Periods) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022 25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 25 February

Civil Legal Aid (Immigration Interviews (Exceptions) and Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 25 February

Voter Identification (Principal Area, Parish and Greater London Authority Elections) (Amendment) Rules 2022 25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 27 February

Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel from China) (England) Regulations 2023 26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 27 February

Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel from China) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 27 February

Immigration (Restrictions on Employment etc.) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2023 26th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 1 March

Official Controls (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 26th Report. Praying time ends 2 March

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Rent Officers (Housing Benefit and Universal Credit Functions) (Modification) Order 2023 Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 27th Report. Praying time ends 27 February

Universal Credit (Administrative Earnings Threshold) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 27th Report. Praying time ends 27 February

Carriers' Liability (Amendment) Regulations 2023 27th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 6 March

Carriers' Liability (Clandestine Entrants) (Level of Penalty: Code of Practice) Order 2023 27th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 6 March

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (Prohibition on Submission for Royal Assent) Order 2023 27th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 7 March

Merchant Shipping (Watercraft) Order 2023 Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 29th Report. Praying time ends 7 March

School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2023 29th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 13 March

#### **Treaties before the House**

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Italian Republic concerning Mutual Recognition of Driving Licences for the Purposes of Exchange Scrutiny period expires: 21 February

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Georgia on the Readmissions of Persons Residing without Admission *Scrutiny period expires: 23 March* 

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Japan concerning the Facilitation of Reciprocal Access and Cooperation between the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Armed Forces of the United Kingdom Scrutiny period expires: 24 March

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# 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.

Tuesday 21 February		
Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee	Room 3A	9.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Science and Technology Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Built Environment Committee	Room 3	10.15am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 1-15, Millbank House	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 4	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee		3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
Wednesday 22 February		
Constitution Committee	Room G-32, Millbank House	10.00am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	2.45pm
Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland Sub- Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
Public Services Committee	Room 2	3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Finance Committee	Room 4	3.45pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm
Thursday 23 February		
AI in Weapon Systems Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Horticultural Sector Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
International Agreements Committee	3-20 Millbank House	11.00am
Services Committee	Committee Room G	12.15pm
Monday 27 February		
Integration of Primary and Community Care Committee		3.00pm
National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	4.00pm
Tuesday 28 February		
European Affairs Committee	Archbishops Room, Millbank House	4.00pm
Wednesday 1 March		
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Archbishops Room, Millbank House	10.00am
Thursday 2 March		
Education for 11-16 Year Olds Committee		11.00am
Wednesday 15 March		
House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
Monday 20 March		
Liaison Committee		3.00pm
Thursday 23 March		
Parliamentary Works Estimates Commission	Room 13	11.00am
Monday 22 May		
Restoration and Renewal Client Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	4.45pm

# **Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 20 February 2023**

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester.

1 **The Lord Bishop of Lichfield** Michael Geoffrey the Lord Bishop of Lichfield was introduced between the Lord Bishop of Southwark and the Lord Bishop of Gloucester, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

## **Select Committee Report**

#### 2 Constitution

The following Report from the Select Committee was made and ordered to be printed on 17 February: Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill. (13th Report, HL Paper 151)

#### **Public Business**

- 3 Adult social care A question was asked by Lord Laming and answered by Lord Markham.
- 4 Emergency planning A question was asked by Lord Mann and answered by Baroness Neville-Rolfe.
- 5 **Civil service: digital skills** A question was asked by Lord Clement-Jones and answered by Baroness Neville-Rolfe.
- 6 **Leasehold charges** A question was asked by Baroness Taylor of Stevenage, on behalf of Lord Kennedy of Southwark, and answered by Baroness Scott of Bybrook.
- 7 **Capital projects: spending decisions** Baroness Scott of Bybrook answered questions on an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Thursday 9 February.
- 8 **Electronic Trade Documents Bill [HL]** (*Law Commission Bill*) The bill was reported from the Special Public Bill Committee without amendment.
- 9 **Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill** The bill was considered in Committee. Amendments were considered. The House resumed after amendment 5.
- 10 **Subsidy Control (Information-Gathering Powers) (Modification) Regulations 2022** Baroness Randerson moved 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. After debate, the motion was withdrawn.

The House adjourned. The House resumed.

11 **Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 6. The House resumed after amendment 6.

The House adjourned at 9.47pm until Tuesday 21 February at 2.30pm.

**Simon Burton** 

Clerk of the Parliaments

#### **Grand Committee Business**

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

**Financial Services and Markets Bill** The Grand Committee further considered the bill, beginning with amendment 78. Amendment 151 was agreed to. The Committee adjourned after amendment 159.

The Committee adjourned at 7.09pm.

# **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 Universal Credit (Administrative Earnings Threshold) (Amendment) Regulations 2023, originally laid on 11 January (14 February).

## Statutory Instruments laid under Standing Order 70

The following instruments were laid before the House on the dates shown:

- 1 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) (Amendment) Order 2023 (Negative Instrument, No. 142, laid on 13 February)
- 2 Countryside Stewardship (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (Negative Instrument, No. 159, laid on 16 February)

#### **Affirmative Instruments**

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

- 1 Draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2023
- 2 Draft Health Education England (Transfer of Functions, Abolition and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2023
- 3 Draft Treasure (Designation) (Amendment) Order 2023

#### Treaty subject to scrutiny under the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010

The following paper was laid before the House by command of His Majesty, accompanied by an Explanatory Memorandum:

1 Defence—Agreement between the United Kingdom and Japan concerning the Facilitation of Reciprocal Access and Cooperation between the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Armed Forces of the United Kingdom

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## Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

1Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Hong Kong Locally Engaged Ratings' Service Pensions Increase) Order 2023 (16 February)

- 2 King's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Seventh Edition) 2023
- 3 Royal Air Force Form 75 and 75a Regulations 2023
- 4 Royal Air Force Form 1047, 1047a and 1048 Regulations 2023