

**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.

\***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how the Stormont Brake mechanism in the new Windsor Framework will work in practice in relation to European Union legislation.

**Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill** Committee (day 3) [Lord Callanan] *28th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee, 13th Report from the Constitution Committee. Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

**Future Business****Friday 3 March 2023 at 10.00am**

**Pensions Dashboard (Prohibition of Indemnification) Bill** Second Reading [Lord Young of Cookham]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Young of Cookham to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

**Employment (Allocation of Tips) Bill** Second Reading [Lord Robathan]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Robathan to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

**Protection from Redundancy (Pregnancy and Family Leave) Bill** Second Reading [Baroness Bertin]

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Bertin to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

**Carer's Leave Bill** Second Reading [Lord Fox]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Fox to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

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



## 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.

**Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill** Lord Johnson of Lainston to move that the amendments for the Report stage be marshalled and considered in the following order:

Clauses 1 and 2

Schedules 1 and 2

Clauses 3 and 4

Title.

†*It is expected that the Committee stage of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill will continue, and that it will conclude.*

## ***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm***

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

**Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Younger of Leckie]

**Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Younger of Leckie]

**National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Johnson of Lainston]

**Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton]

**Judicial Pensions (Fee-Paid Judges) (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Bellamy]

## 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.

*Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 3 March.*

*The Senior Deputy Speaker intends to move the following three motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately to the extent desired.*

**Horticultural sector** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Lord Watson of Wyre Forest be appointed a member of the Select Committee.

**Liaison** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Lord Bach be appointed a member of the Select Committee.

**Statutory Instruments** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Baroness Sater be appointed a member of the Select Committee.

†**National Security Bill** Report (day 2) [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *20th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee, 5th Report from the Joint Committee on Human Rights*

†**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. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

### ***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm***

†**Financial Services and Markets Bill** Committee (day 7) [Baroness Penn] *23rd Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

## **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.

*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 2 March, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 6 March.*

†**Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill** Committee (day 4) [Baroness Scott of Bybrook] *24th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee, 12th Report from the Constitution Committee. Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

**Baroness Twycross** 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 (Dinner break business)*

## 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.

*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 3 March, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 7 March.*

†**Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill** Committee [Lord Callanan] *10th Report from the Joint Committee on Human Rights, 27th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

## Friday 10 March 2023 at 10.00am

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to move that this House takes note of International Women's Day and steps to support the education of women and girls in the United Kingdom and worldwide.

## 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.

\***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 discussions have been held between the Department of Health and Social Care, NHS Supply Chain, and healthcare manufacturers regarding the impact of costs pressures on the supply of medical devices and equipment.

### **Tuesday 21 March 2023 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Kirkhope of Harrogate** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have matched the funding previously provided by the European Union to the United Kingdom for the European Structural and Investment Funds and the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund in 2014–20; and if not, what is the extent of the shortfall.

\***Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to arrest the decline in the United Kingdom's global market share in international higher education students, which fell from 11 per cent in 2008 to eight per cent in 2019.

\***Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the decision by the European Commission to delay the introduction of the Entry/Exit System (EES) and European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) until the end of 2023, what steps they intend to take to facilitate a smooth transition for travellers from the United Kingdom wishing to enter the European Union under the revised passenger requirements.

### **Wednesday 22 March 2023 at 3.00pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the regional representativeness of the membership of the House of Lords; and how any such assessment is used when considering nominations for new peers.

\***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of trends in the provision of bus services in England since 2019.

\***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that all imported beef has been produced using the same high welfare and environmental standards as beef produced in the United Kingdom.

### **Thursday 23 March 2023 at 11.00am**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Baroness Blower** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential merits of bringing the delivery of prison education into the public sector.

\***Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to introduce legislation to end the residential leasehold system. [I]

\***Lord Davies of Brixton** to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to introduce legislation on the United Kingdom's data protection framework.

### **Monday 27 March 2023 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Baroness Janke** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the recent transfer of governance powers in parts of the Occupied Palestinian Territories from Israeli military authorities to Israeli civilian ministries, and (2) the implications of this transfer for securing a lasting peace in the region.

\***Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government, given the increased use of food banks, what assessment they have made of ways of reducing dependence on the charitable sector for the provision of food.

\***Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to review and revise the children's school meal regulations to reduce the levels of processed sugar and to provide incentives to encourage the use of alternatives such as stevia.

\***Lord Carey of Clifton** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, on the grounds of compassion and morality, to reconsider their decision to refuse citizenship to Shamima Begum.



## **Tuesday 28 March 2023 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Mann** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce queues at ports and airports for United Kingdom citizens returning to the UK.

\***Baroness Berridge** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the emotional, psychological and mental health impact on jurors of sitting in serious criminal trials.

\***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the NHS and vaccine manufacturers regarding expanding the Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) immunisation programme for winter 2023/24, and the potential for making a universal offer of that vaccine.

## **Wednesday 29 March 2023 at 3.00pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Craig of Radley** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Murray of Blidworth on 22 January (HL4546), when they will decide whether to grant Hong Kong military service veterans entitlement to British citizens passports and right of abode in the United Kingdom.

†\***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the identity and integrity of (1) electoral registration, (2) voting, and (3) political donations, by citizens resident overseas are verified as carefully as those from citizens resident in the United Kingdom.

†\***Lord Robathan** to ask His Majesty's Government who is held accountable if money is wasted in the Ministry of Defence procurement programme; and what subsequent action is taken.

## **Thursday 30 March 2023 at 11.00am**

**Baroness Andrews** to move that this House takes note of the future of adult social care given (1) the recent reports from the House of Lords Adult Social Care Committee (HL Paper 99) and the Archbishops' Commission on Reimagining Care, (2) the Care Quality Commission's local authority assessment duties which commence from 1 April, and (3) His Majesty's Government's stated intention to publish a social care plan in Spring 2023.

**Lord Knight of Weymouth** to move that this House takes note of the financial pressures on Higher Education and the impact on (1) local communities, (2) the United Kingdom's science and innovation exports, and (3) the impact on delivering the Turing Scheme.

## 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.*

**Baroness Coussins** to move that this House takes note of the relationship between free trade and human rights.

†**Baroness Hooper** to move that this House takes note of political trends and developments in (1) trade, (2) investment, and (3) tourism, in the countries of Latin America.

## 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 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 Burtsett** 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 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 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*)

**Lord Oates** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implications for global security of Russian influence in Africa. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress the technical working group on loot boxes has made in strengthening industry-led measures to mitigate the risks of harms for children, young people and adults from loot boxes in video games. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

**Lord Leigh of Hurley** to ask His Majesty's Government what further fiscal steps they are taking to facilitate the growth of small- and medium-sized enterprises. (*Department for Business and Trade*)

**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. (*Cabinet Office*)

**Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the situation in Nigeria, with particular reference to reports of violence and mass displacement in the Middle Belt region. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 1 March and due for answer by 15 March.*

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government how many cyber attacks against UK state entities or parliamentarians have been attributed to China with medium or high confidence in each of the past three years. HL6022

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government how many households in England are affected by the under-occupancy charge for (1) one extra bedroom, or (2) more than one extra bedroom; and what assessment they have made of the financial impact of these deductions on those households. HL6023

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the paper by R E Green, M A Taggart, D J Pain, et al 'Voluntary transition by hunters and game meat suppliers from lead to non-lead shotgun ammunition: changes in practice after three years', published in the *Conservation Evidence Journal* in February, which found that three years into the five year voluntary phase-out programme, 94 per cent of pheasants sold in supermarkets were killed with lead shot, what steps they plan to take to end the use of lead shot in hunting in England. HL6024

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what further devolution deals they expect to conclude in 2023. HL6025

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to transfer additional powers to combined authorities in 2023; and if so, what powers to which authorities. HL6026

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made, if any, of the state of devolution in England; and what plans they have to publish any such an assessment. HL6027

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to celebrate Windrush Day in 2023. HL6028

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to combat anti-Muslim behaviour and prejudice. HL6029

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to combat antisemitism. HL6030

**Baroness Coussins** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to require written asylum applications to be submitted in English. HL6031

**Baroness Coussins** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the letter to the Minister of State for Immigration from the Chartered Institute of Linguists and the Institute of Translation and Interpreting on 27 February about the use of online translation tools to assist written asylum applications. HL6032

**Baroness Coussins** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the use of online translation tools to assist written asylum applications on the level of appeals against asylum decisions. HL6033

**Baroness Coussins** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide public service interpreters to assist asylum seekers if they are required to submit a written asylum application in English. HL6034

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government which parts of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland have been superseded by the Windsor Framework; and to what extent in each case. HL6035

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the Windsor Framework on duty free purchases when flying from airports in Northern Ireland. HL6036

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government whether, under the Windsor Framework, individuals in Northern Ireland will be able to import seeds and plants from Great Britain. HL6037

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what administrative requirements a business in Great Britain sending seeds or plants to an individual in Northern Ireland will need to comply with under the Windsor Framework. HL6038

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the (1) physical, and (2) mental, health for all prisoners, given that COVID-19 is no longer a major threat. HL6039

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government how next of kin are kept informed about the (1) physical, and (2) mental, health of prisoners. HL6040

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have systems in place to use the concern and knowledge of family members for the benefit of prisoners suffering from ill health. HL6041

**Lord Hylton** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve co-operation and joint working between individual prisons, the National Health Service, and social services. HL6042

**Lord Jopling** to ask His Majesty's Government whether there is a reason why the meeting of the Accession Council on the death of the Sovereign needs to be held in St James' Palace. HL6043

**Lord Jopling** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps were taken to inform members of the Privy Council that they had been unsuccessful in the ballot to attend the meeting of the Accession Council on the death of Queen Elizabeth II. HL6044

**Lord Jopling** to ask His Majesty's Government why they have not answered a Question for Written Answer (HL4285) which was tabled in December 2022. HL6045

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government what would happen in Northern Ireland under the Windsor Framework if the UK diverged and changed its regulations from those in the EU. HL6046

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government, whether the European Court of Justice will have a role in Northern Ireland under the Windsor Framework. HL6047

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions they have had with the Department of Health in Northern Ireland concerning long waiting lists for cancer treatment and operations. HL6048

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the parts of Article VI of the Acts of Union 1800 that were suspended or modified by the effect of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland will cease to be suspended or modified following the implementation of the Windsor Framework. HL6049

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, if any, to provide protection for Christians who are running for public office. HL6050

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Stormont Assembly Brake in the Windsor Framework can block the application of new EU laws in Northern Ireland in practice. HL6051

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to introduce tougher penalties for death or serious injury caused by dangerous, careless or inconsiderate cycling. HL6052

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government how many casualties have been caused by (1) e-scooters, (2) e-cyclists, or (3) cyclists, in England in each of the last three years.

HL6053

**Lord Moylan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the extent to which non-compliant vaping products are being sold to British consumers; and what conversations they have had with (1) Trading Standards authorities, and (2) the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, about removing non-compliant products from sale.

HL6054

**Baroness O'Grady of Upper Holloway** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of days lost in strike action per 1,000 workers in each of the last five years in (1) the UK, (2) France, (3) Spain, and (4) Italy; and what assessment they have made of the comparison between the UK and those countries in respect of those figures.

HL6055

**Baroness O'Grady of Upper Holloway** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Prime Minister's comments on the 11 January (HC Deb col 553) that minimum service levels during strike action "should not be controversial" as they are present in France, Italy and Spain, what assessment they have made of those countries' provision of powers to remove protection from unfair dismissal for public sector workers on strike.

HL6056

**Baroness O'Grady of Upper Holloway** to ask His Majesty's Government how many times (1) the Prime Minister, (2) the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and (3) the Secretary of State for Business and Trade have each met (a) the General Secretary of the TUC, and (b) the Director-General of the CBI, since 1 January.

HL6057

**Baroness O'Grady of Upper Holloway** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks made by Lord Benyon on 28 February (HL Deb col 205) in which he stated "Defra's default approach will be to retain EU law unless there is a good reason either to repeal or to reform it", whether they will apply the same approach to employment rights, including transfers of undertakings, equal pay, paid holidays, unsafe working hours, maternity and parental leave, redundancy consultation, agency and part-time workers' rights, and other protections.

HL6058

**Lord Scriven** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 7 February (HL4741), what criteria they used to decide whether to approve the salaries for Integrated Care Boards (ICB) Chief Executives in (1) Humber Coast and Vale, (2) South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw, and (3) Cornwall and Isles of Scilly; and why these Chief Executives were thought to justify higher salaries than other ICB Chief Executives.

HL6059

**Lord Storey** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to installing motion sensitive lights in (1) government, and (2) public, buildings to reduce energy costs.

HL6060

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to propose changes to the electricity levy schemes in order to address fuel poverty for people living in rural areas.

HL6061

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are providing to (1) retail, (2) hospitality, and (3) leisure, businesses.

HL6062

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what resources they are providing to students to ensure equitable access to revision support prior to them taking exams.

HL6063

**Baroness Worthington** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Energy Bill [HL] Impact Assessment on a hydrogen heating village grid conversion trial which states that "we expect Gas Distribution Network Operators to reach an agreement with all consumers in the chosen trial location, including those who do not want hydrogen or cannot participate in the trial", on what grounds consumers would be considered to be unable to participate in the trial.

HL6064



**Baroness Worthington** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the proportion of consumers who (1) will participate in the Hydrogen Heating Village Trial, (2) will decline to participate in the hydrogen heating village trial and receive an alternative heating solution, (3) will be disconnected from natural gas without their consent, and (4) will be agreed by their Gas Distribution Network Operators (GDNs) to be unable to participate in the trial. HL6065

### 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]

**30 January** (13 February)

HL5189 Lord Blencathra [Department of Health and Social Care]

**2 February** (16 February)

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

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

**6 February** (20 February)

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

**9 February** (23 February)

HL5605 The Earl of Leicester [Department of Health and Social Care]

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

Health and Social Care (5)

Home Office (1)

**Bills in Progress**

	<b>Type of Bill</b>	<b>To be considered</b>
<b>Referred to the Examiners</b>		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
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 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	
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	3 March
Pensions Dashboard (Prohibition of Indemnification) Bill	Private Member's	3 March
Shark Fins Bill ( <i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent granted, Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Private Member's	
Protection from Redundancy (Pregnancy and Family Leave) Bill	Private Member's	3 March
Carer's Leave Bill	Private Member's	3 March
Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Bill	Private Member's	
Co-operatives, Mutuals and Friendly Societies Bill	Private Member's	
Employment Relations (Flexible Working) Bill	Private Member's	

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Electricity Transmission (Compensation) Bill	Private Member's	
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
<b>Committed to a Select Committee</b>		
Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	
<b>Committed to a Grand Committee</b>		
Financial Services and Markets Bill	Government	7 March
<b>Committed to a Committee of the Whole House</b>		
Local Authority (Housing Allocation) 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 <i>(Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought)</i>	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 <i>(Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, King's and Prince of Wales' consents to be signified)</i>	Government	8 March
Online Safety Bill	Government	
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 <i>(Scottish Legislative Consent withheld, Welsh, and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, King's consent to be signified)</i>	Government	2 March
Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill <i>(Scottish, Welsh, and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought)</i>	Government	
Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill	Government	9 March
<b>Waiting for Report</b>		
Northern Ireland Protocol Bill <i>(King's consent to be signified. Welsh Legislative Consent withheld, Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought)</i>	Government	
Front-loaded Child Benefit Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Energy Bill [HL] <i>(King's and Prince of Wales' consents to be signified. Scottish, Welsh, and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought)</i>	Government	
National Security Bill <i>(King's and Prince of Wales' consents to be signified)</i>	Government	7 March
Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill <i>(Welsh Legislative Consent withheld)</i>	Government	
Electronic Trade Documents Bill [HL] <i>(Law Commission Bill)</i>	Government	
<b>Waiting for Third Reading</b>		
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	

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Ecology Bill [HL] ( <i>formerly Climate and Ecology Bill [HL]</i> )	Private Member's
Coroners (Determination of Suicide) Bill [HL]	Private Member's
Mobile Homes (Pitch Fees) Bill	Private Member's
Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]	Private Member's
<b>Sent to the Commons</b>	
Social Housing (Regulation) Bill [HL] ( <i>Welsh Legislative Consent granted</i> )	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
<b>Returned to the Commons amended</b>	
Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill	Government
Public Order Bill ( <i>Scottish Legislative Consent granted</i> )	Government
<b>Waiting for Consideration of Commons Amendments</b>	
UK Infrastructure Bank Bill [HL] ( <i>Welsh and Scottish Legislative Consents granted</i> )	Government
Seafarers' Wages Bill [HL]	Government
<b>Waiting for Consideration of Commons Reason</b>	
Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill	Government

## Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

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

Alternative Fuel Payment Pass-through Requirement (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2023

Non-Domestic Alternative Fuel Payment Pass-through Requirement and Amendment Regulations 2023

Draft Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (Corporate Joint Committees) (Consequential Amendments) Order 2023

Draft Service Police (Complaints etc.) Regulations 2023

Draft Revised Code of Practice laid under the Treasure Act 1996

Draft Building (Public Bodies and Higher-Risk Building Work) (England) Regulations 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 Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (*6 March*)

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Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (6 March)

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

Draft Judicial Pensions (Fee-Paid Judges) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (6 March)

Draft National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (6 March)

Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Administration, Investment, Charges and Governance) and Pensions Dashboards (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 30th Report*

Draft Agriculture (Financial Assistance) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *31st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements) Regulations 2023 (6 March)

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

Draft Special Immigration Appeals Commission (Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 2023 *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

Draft Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Home Detention Curfew) Order 2023 *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

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

Draft Treasure (Designation) (Amendment) Order 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 (8 March)*

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*

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 ended 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*

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Education (Student Fees, Awards and Support) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 30th Report. Praying time ends 16 March*

Criminal Legal Aid (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 21 March*

Pension Protection Fund and Occupational Pension Schemes (Levy Ceiling) (No. 2) Order 2023 *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 27 March*

Market Measures Payment Schemes (Amendments, Revocation and Transitional Provision) (England) Regulations 2023 *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 28 March*

Building Safety (Leaseholder Protections) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 31st Report. Praying time ends 29 March*

### **Treaties before the House**

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*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Ukraine to amend the Political, Free Trade and Strategic Partnership Agreement between the two countries *Scrutiny period expires: 30 March*



## 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.*

#### **Thursday 2 March**

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
Education for 11–16 Year Olds Committee	Room 4	11.00am

#### **Monday 6 March**

Integration of Primary and Community Care Committee		3.00pm
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#### **Tuesday 7 March**

Science and Technology Committee		10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.00am
Built Environment Committee		10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee		10.30am
Finance Committee	Room 4A	12.30pm
European Affairs Committee		1.00pm
Communications and Digital Committee		2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee		3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm

#### **Wednesday 8 March**

Environment and Climate Change Committee		10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee		10.30am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	2.45pm
Public Services Committee		3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.00pm

#### **Tuesday 14 March**

Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	11.00am
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#### **Wednesday 15 March**

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Archbishops' Room, Millbank House	10.00am

#### **Monday 20 March**

Liaison Committee		3.00pm
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#### **Wednesday 22 March**

Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm
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#### **Thursday 23 March**

Services Committee	Committee Room G	12.15pm
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#### **Monday 27 March**

National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	4.00pm
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#### **Tuesday 28 March**

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 4A	11.00am
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**Monday 22 May**

Restoration and Renewal Client Board

The Boothroyd Room,  
Portcullis House

4.45pm

## Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday 1 March 2023

*The House met at 3.00pm.*

*Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Oxford.*

1 **Oath** Peter Henry Lord Goldsmith took and subscribed the oath.

### Select Committee Reports

#### 2 **Human Rights**

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

Legislative Scrutiny: Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill. (10th Report, HL Paper 157)

#### 3 **Statutory Instruments**

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

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

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

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

Draft Treasure (Designation) (Amendment) Order 2023. (28th Report, HL Paper 158)

#### 4 **Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform**

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

Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill

Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill

Energy Bill: Government Response

Protection from Redundancy (Pregnancy and Family Leave) Bill

Carer's Leave Bill

Employment Relations (Flexible Working) Bill (27th Report, HL Paper 159)

Online Safety Bill (28th Report, HL Paper 160).

### Public Business

5 **Eating disorder services: men** A question was asked by Baroness Parminter and answered by Lord Evans of Rainow.

6 **Prisoners: Imprisonment for Public Protection** A question was asked by Lord Moylan and answered by Lord Bellamy.

7 **Homeless people and rough sleeping** A question was asked by Lord Bird and answered by Baroness Bloomfield of Hinton Waldrist.

8 **Water companies: water pollution** A question was asked by the Lord Bishop of St Albans and answered by Lord Benyon.

9 **Radio Equipment (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023** Lord Evans of Rainow moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 17 January be approved. The motion was agreed to.

10 **Code of Practice for the Forensic Science Regulator** Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the draft Code of Practice laid before the House on 26 January be approved. The motion was agreed to.

11 **Non-Domestic Rating (Rates Retention: Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023** The Earl of Courtown, on behalf of Baroness Bloomfield of Hinton Waldrist, moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 9 February be approved. The motion was agreed to.

12 **National Security Bill** The report was received. Amendments 1, 7, 9 to 11, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20, 24, 30, 31, 35 to 37, 40 to 44, 47 to 50, 51 (see division list 4), 52 to 64, 66, 71, 76 to 78, 81 to 86 were agreed to. Amendments 4, 18, 18A and 80 were disagreed to (see divisions 1 to 3 and 5). The report stage was adjourned after amendment 86.

13 **Official Controls (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023** Lord Dodds of Duncairn moved 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. After debate, the motion was withdrawn.

*The House adjourned at 11.27pm until Thursday 2 March at 11.00am.*

**Simon Burton**  
*Clerk of the Parliaments*

### **Grand Committee Business**

*The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 4.15pm.*

**Financial Services and Markets Bill** The Grand Committee further considered the bill, beginning with amendment 160. The Committee adjourned after the debate on amendment 168 was adjourned.

*The Committee adjourned at 8.21pm.*

## Papers

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

### Command Papers

The following papers were presented to the House by command of His Majesty:

- 1 Statutory Instrument Notification—Notification to Parliament of a published draft instrument pursuant to Paragraph 14 of Schedule 8 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Commodity Derivatives and Emission Allowances) Order 2023. (—)
- 2 Northern Ireland—Main Estimates – Northern Ireland 2022–2023. (803)
- 3 Astronomical Research—Convention establishing the Square Kilometre Array Observatory. (808)
- 4 Customs—Agreement between the United Kingdom and Canada on Customs Cooperation and Mutual Assistance in Customs Matters. (809)

### Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Armed Forces (Driving Disqualification Orders) Regulations 2023 (209)
- 2 Loans for Mortgage Interest (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (226)
- 3 Oil and Gas Authority (Levy and Fees) Regulation 2023 (228)
- 4 Building Safety Act 2022 (Consequential Amendments and Prescribed Functions) and Architects Act 1997 (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (229)
- 5 Exotic Equine Diseases (Compensation) (England) Order 2023 (230)
- 6 Social Security Benefits (Claims and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (232)

### Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following paper was laid before the House:

- 1 Statutory Guidance: Pre-charge bail

## Divisions

### National Security Bill

#### Division No. 1

Lord Marks of Henley-on-Thames moved amendment 4, in clause 1, page 1, line 13, at end to insert—

“(1A) Section (*Public interest defence*) applies to any offence under this section.”

The House divided:

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Not-contents	226

#### Division No. 2

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb moved amendment 18, in clause 3, page 4, line 21, at end to insert—

“(8A) In proceedings for an offence under subsection (2) it is a defence to show that the person engaged in the conduct in question was acting with a view to publication of material by a recognised news publisher as defined in Schedule 15.”

The House divided:

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Not-contents	212

#### Division No. 3

Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede moved amendment 18A, in clause 3, page 4, line 24, at end to insert—

“(9A) Within six months of this Act being passed, the Secretary of State must consult, and publish a report of that consultation, on proposals for a public interest defence in relation to an offence under subsection (2).”

The House divided:

Contents	155
Not-contents	209

#### Division No. 4

Lord Carlile of Berriew moved amendment 51, after clause 16, to insert the new clause *Foreign interference in elections: duties on political parties*. The House divided:

Contents	209
Not-contents	170

#### Division No. 5

Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede moved amendment 80, to leave out clause 56 and insert the new clause *Reviews of Parts 1, 2, 4 and 5*. The House divided:

Contents	73
Not-contents	141





