

Tuesday 28 November 2023 at 2.30pm*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Lord Davies of Brixton** to ask His Majesty's Government what were the reasons for the Home Office's decision to disband the dedicated team responsible for their Windrush policy; and what assessment they have made of the likelihood that this decision will undermine their commitments to the Windrush Generation.

***Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are providing to children affected by conflict and climate change in fragile states.

***Lord Snape** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to conclude the review of the 2010 funding agreement for Birmingham City Council's Highways Infrastructure Private Finance Initiative; and whether they intend to honour the agreement to continue funding the PFI until 2035.

†*Lord Harries of Pentregarth to ask His Majesty's Government what they aim to achieve at COP28 this week.

The following two motions are expected to be debated together:

Procedure and Privileges The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *Amendments to motions; Terms of reference of the International Agreements Committee* (7th Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 265) be agreed to.

Procedure and Privileges The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *Oral Questions to Secretaries of State and Oral Statements by Secretaries of State* (1st Report, HL Paper 14) be agreed to.

Automated Vehicles Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Vere of Norbiton]

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Vere of Norbiton to move that the bill be committed to a Grand Committee, and that it be an instruction to the Grand Committee that they consider the bill in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 37	Schedule 4
Schedule 1	Clauses 67 to 81
Clauses 38 to 45	Schedule 5
Schedule 2	Clauses 82 to 84
Clauses 46 to 54	Schedule 6
Schedule 3	Clauses 85 to 100
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[†] indicates that the member concerned has a relevant registered interest.



Future Business

Wednesday 29 November 2023 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Rennard** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the case for increasing the maximum limit for political parties to spend at general elections.

***Lord Collins of Highbury** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with international counterparts ahead of the Nutrition for Growth Summit in Paris in 2024.

***Lord Coaker** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to proscribe the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps as a terrorist organisation.

†***Lord Green of Deddington** to ask His Majesty's Government why net migration rose to 745,000 in 2022, according to data published by the Office for National Statistics on 23 November; and what plans they have to reduce it.

Baroness Vere of Norbiton to move that this House takes note of the Chancellor's Autumn Statement 2023.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

Baroness Lane-Fox of Soho to move that this House takes note of the Report from the COVID-19 Committee *Living in a COVID World: A Long-term Approach to Resilience and Wellbeing* (3rd Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 117).

Thursday 30 November 2023 at 11.00am

Baroness Carr of Walton-on-the-Hill will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Scott of Needham Market** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards achieving their aspiration to have battery and hydrogen-powered aircraft connecting different parts of the United Kingdom.

***Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what action they are taking to support international efforts to end the use of child labour from artisanal cobalt mining in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and to exclude cobalt from this source from the global supply chain.

***Earl Russell** to ask His Majesty's Government, following widespread flood damage caused by both storm Babet and Ciarán, what action they are taking to ensure all English flood defences are fit for purpose.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 28 November.

†**Arbitration Bill [HL]** (*Law Commission Bill*) Lord Bellamy to move that the bill be referred to a Second Reading Committee.

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that this House takes note of the 75th anniversary of the National Health Service and its performance in waiting times.

The Lord Bishop of London to ask His Majesty's Government what impact the removal of free prescriptions for benefit claimants who fail to look for work will have on their health, and the health of the workforce. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

Baroness Andrews to move that this House takes note of the importance of good quality early years education provision and environments, particularly since the COVID-19 pandemic.

Monday 4 December 2023 at 2.30pm

Lord Carter of Haslemere will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Brinton** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure disabled air passengers are able to travel safely and with their equipment, including wheelchairs.

***Lord Browne of Ladyton** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Bletchley Declaration, what timescale they believe is appropriate for the introduction of further UK legislation to regulate artificial intelligence.

***Lord Lilley** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have received about the remarks by Gérald Darmanin, the French interior minister, that his government is prepared to deport asylum seekers deemed dangerous, in breach of rulings of the European Court of Human Rights.

***Baroness Chakrabarti** to ask His Majesty's Government how they propose to prioritise reducing violence against women and girls both domestically and internationally.

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

†**Liaison** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *A committee on financial services regulation* (6th Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 267) be agreed to.

†**Liaison** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *New committee activity in 2024* (1st Report, HL Paper 12) be agreed to.

Tuesday 5 December 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to tackle the increasing rates of sexually transmitted infections in England.

***Lord Scriven** to ask His Majesty's Government, in the past two years, how many unaccompanied children seeking asylum aged 12 and under have been placed in hotels while waiting for local authority placement.

***Baroness Sherlock** to ask His Majesty's Government how the Department for Work and Pensions is using artificial intelligence and what governance process is in place for such use.

If the 1st Report of the Procedure and Privileges Committee (HL Paper 14) is agreed to, four oral questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs will be asked (40 minutes). Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Thursday 30 November.

Wednesday 6 December 2023 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness D'Souza** to ask His Majesty's Government what further consideration they have given to the appointment of a Children's Minister at Cabinet level to coordinate cross-departmental Government programmes concerning the welfare of children.

***Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to review the functions of the House of Lords Appointments Commission.

***Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty's Government what proposals they have to reverse the trend of falling rates of owner-occupation among the 25–34 age group.

Thursday 7 December 2023 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for increasing investment in universities to provide more opportunities for young people to acquire the skills needed to expand electricity generating capacity in the nuclear energy sector, including nuclear fusion technology.

***Lord Rooker** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to the proposal from the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and the Trussell Trust for an 'Essentials Guarantee' in Universal Credit.

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to take steps to improve support for classical music, particularly for orchestras and opera companies.

Monday 11 December 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Sheehan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the finding of the National Infrastructure Commission that there is no public policy case for hydrogen heating, set out in the Second National Infrastructure Assessment published in October.

***Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty's Government how many banking hubs have been established in response to bank branch closures since January 2022, and whether they are taking steps to facilitate the establishment of a national network of banking hubs.

***Lord Aberdare** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they are making in determining how to end the practice of cash retentions in the construction sector, and whether they plan to meet the 2025 target date for achieving zero retentions proposed by the Build UK Roadmap and endorsed by the Construction Leadership Council in 2019.

***Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the ending of local enterprise partnerships' funding and the impact on local economic development.

Tuesday 12 December 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask His Majesty's Government what preparations they are making for the fourth European Political Community Summit, to be held in the United Kingdom in spring 2024.

***Baroness Pitkeathley** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the report of the National Audit Office *Reforming adult social care in England* published on 10 November (HC 184), how much of the £265 million allocated to reforming social care staffing between 2022–23 and 2024–25 has been spent so far, and what problems they have encountered in spending the allocated money.

***Lord Colgrain** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards identifying a vaccine for eradicating bovine tuberculosis.

Wednesday 13 December 2023 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment has been made of risks to financial stability from private equity firms experiencing difficulty in the current high interest rate environment.

***Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they are planning to take to mitigate the risks caused by loot boxes in video games.

***Baroness Thornhill** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to increase the proportion of social housing built under the Affordable Homes Programme.

Thursday 14 December 2023 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure citizens are not excluded from accessing AI-generated public services.

***The Lord Bishop of Chelmsford** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the sustainability and quality of existing buildings, including by cutting value added tax to incentivise building repairs and maintenance.

***Baroness Quin** to ask His Majesty's Government what are their levelling-up priorities for the North East of England.

Monday 18 December 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***The Lord Bishop of London** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to ensure that refugees are given 28 days' notice before they are required to leave their Home Office accommodation, having received documentation after being granted asylum or being given leave to enter or remain.

***Lord Shipley** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of people who will be homeless this Christmas; and what plans they have to reduce the number of people who have no home of their own.

***Lord Jordan** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are planning to issue a new road safety strategy, and if so, when.

***Baroness Smith of Newnham** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the number of Afghan nationals eligible under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy, or the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme, who are currently in Pakistan and at risk of repatriation to Afghanistan.

Tuesday 19 December 2023 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Gohir** to ask His Majesty's Government whether there has been a rise in home schooling and online schooling, and what action they are taking to strengthen child safeguarding in this context.

***Lord Allan of Hallam** to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they have put in place to mitigate the risk of people being coerced into showing their confidential medical records to third parties as records become universally available through the NHS app.

***Lord Balfre** to ask His Majesty's Government why, having suffered a defeat in the High Court, they are seeking to revive the Conduct of Employment Agencies and Employment Businesses (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

Motions for Balloted Debate

The ballot to select two motions for debate closes at 5pm on Tuesday 28 November; to be drawn on Wednesday 29 November; for debate on Thursday 14 December. Combined time limit of 5 hours.

Lord Lexden to move that this House takes note of the work of England's police forces.

Lord Swire to move that this House takes note of the current threat posed by North Korea.

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to move that this House takes note of the Family Courts Reporting Pilot currently under way in England and Wales.

Lord German to move that this House takes note of the availability of viable safe routes for asylum-seekers to travel to the United Kingdom.

Lord Addington to move that this House takes note of the level of support for those in England with special education needs in the mainstream education system and subsequent employment.

Lord Goddard of Stockport to move that this House takes note of the current state of fire safety regulations in England and the case for a new integrated review to update fire safety guidance.

Baroness Barker to move that this House takes note of the current state of charities and volunteer-led organisations in England and the case for improved support for these sectors.

†**Lord Patel** to move that this House takes note of Government plans to improve outcomes for patients with cancers through early diagnosis, improved care, and research.

†**Baroness Bowles of Berkhamsted** to move that this House takes note of the impact of retained EU law on financial services.

Select Committee Reports

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

Lord Bridges of Headley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Where have all the workers gone?* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 115). *20 December 2022*

Baroness Stowell of Beeston to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications and Digital Committee *Digital exclusion* (3rd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 219). *29 June*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that this House regrets that the Food (Promotion and Placement) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023, which delay for a further two years the ban on multibuy promotions of high fat, sugar and salt products, was accompanied by an explanatory memorandum (EM) which contained only vague assertions to support the decision and failed to provide sufficient justification for delaying the start of this ban, and calls on His Majesty's Government to replace the EM with one that is fit for purpose, in accordance with the recommendation of the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee in its report to the House on those Regulations, which found that the EM was one of the worst that the Committee had seen. *55th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23*

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to move that this House regrets that the Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023, which increase fees by above inflation for a range of immigration and nationality applications, will (1) increase financial barriers to children securing their rights to British citizenship, (2) cause other individuals to fall out of lawful immigration status and face significant debt and precarity, (3) increase the operational burden on the Home Office, and (4) damage the United Kingdom's economy; and calls on His Majesty's Government to consider and develop policies to support individuals, families, and businesses adversely affected by these changes. *55th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23*

Baroness Hoey to move that this House regrets that, while the Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Public Health, Marketing and Organic Product Standards and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2023 give practical effect to provisions in EU Regulation 2023/1231 which lessen the disturbance caused by the Irish Sea border, (1) they do not remove the border or the need for expensive and disruptive customs and sanitary and phytosanitary paperwork, and border control posts, (2) Article 14 of EU Regulation 2023/1231 reserves the right for the European Union to reverse provisions afforded by these Regulations that make the border less burdensome, and (3) on both counts, these Regulations are associated with an initiative that violates the territorial integrity of the United Kingdom. *51st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23*

Lord Berkeley to move that this House welcomes the contribution to passenger safety made by the Merchant Shipping (Counting and Registration of Persons on board Passenger Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 but regrets the delay in the introduction of the regulations and that they do not cover passengers travelling on non-passenger ships. *49th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23*

Lord Berkeley to move this House regrets that the Private Crossings (Signs and Barriers) Regulations 2023, while providing improved safety and visibility designs, do not set out the need, timing and costs for private crossing owners to replace existing signs. *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Lord Collins of Highbury** to move that this House regrets that the draft Code of Practice on Reasonable Steps to be taken by a Trade Union (Minimum Service Levels) imposes significant new duties on trade unions, beyond the scope of the Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Act 2023; is likely to exacerbate conflict in the workplace; and despite its intention to provide additional clarification to unions, still contains significant areas of uncertainty for trade unions. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

†**Lord Liddle** to move that this House regrets that the draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Passenger Railway Services) Regulations 2023 contain policy detail that His Majesty's Government chose not to include in primary legislation, contrary to the recommendation of the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee; create uncertainty from their significant retrospective element; were published with an impact assessment that the Regulatory Policy Committee found not to be sufficiently robust; are unclear as to whether contractual relationships will impact the issue of work notices; and may prevent many workers from being able to take industrial action. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

†**Baroness Merron** to move that this House regrets that the draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: NHS Ambulance Services and the NHS Patient Transport Service) Regulations 2023 contain policy detail that His Majesty's Government chose not to include in primary legislation contrary to the recommendation of the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee; do not reflect the policy positions taken by the Government in its response to the relevant consultation; and go against evidence received and acknowledged by the Government which suggests that their implementation will be challenging. *3rd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

†**Lord Coaker** to move that this House regrets that the draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Border Security) Regulations 2023 contain policy detail that His Majesty’s Government chose not to include in primary legislation, contrary to the recommendation of the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee; and are overly prohibitive, noting that the impact assessment acknowledges that some workers’ right to take industrial action will be affected or denied. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

†**Lord Khan of Burnley** to move that this House regrets that the draft Representation of the People (Overseas Electors etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 could dangerously weaken the restrictions on overseas political donations and allow foreign money to enter our democracy. *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Questions for Short Debate

These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 15 November in line with the recommendations of the 1st Report of the Procedure and Privileges Committee (Session 2021–22, HL Paper 41). These questions may be used as dinner break business or last business if time is available.

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact on organ donations of the Organ Donation (Deemed Consent) Act 2019.

Baroness Hollins to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of progress made towards achieving the target in the NHS Long Term Plan to reduce the number of people with learning disabilities and autism in inpatient mental health care by 50 per cent by March 2024, relative to 2015 levels.

Baroness Smith of Newnham to ask His Majesty’s Government what is their assessment of the current level of accommodation provision for asylum seekers.

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to promote the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 1948.

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of (1) the impact of climate change, (2) increases in the cost of living, and (3) inflation, on the horticultural sector.

Baroness Thornhill to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the number of people living in temporary accommodation and the impact on council budgets.

Lord German to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the current pathways for newly recognised refugees to integrate and establish themselves in the United Kingdom.

Lord Aberdare to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to increase the availability and take-up of first aid training, including in the use of defibrillators.

Lord Holmes of Richmond to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the economic and social growth opportunities presented by new technologies including (1) artificial intelligence, and (2) distributed ledger technologies.

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to protect the rights of families by ensuring transparency and open justice in Court of Protection proceedings in respect of minors and adults.

Lord Lexden to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they will reconsider the case for holding an independent inquiry into the allegations against Sir Edward Heath that remained unresolved at the end of Operation Conifer.

Lord Patel to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to improve cancer outcomes.

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how the Windsor Framework strengthens the Union.

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the delivery, and (2) the cost-effectiveness, of major infrastructure projects.

Viscount Stansgate to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the use of artificial intelligence and the need for regulation.

Questions for Short Debate ballot entries

The ballot for four Questions closes at 5pm on Tuesday 12 December and will be drawn on Wednesday 13 December for debate on Thursday 18 January. Time limit 1 hour.

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*)

Lord Curry of Kirkharle to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of reducing Official Development Assistance from 0.7 per cent to 0.5 per cent of Gross National Income in 2021 on small charities, particularly those working in Africa. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 27 November and due for answer by 11 December.

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what percentage of lamp columns on the M1 between junction 1 and junction 10 are out of light, how often lamp columns on motorways are inspected for such issues, and within what period of time they expect defective lamp columns on motorways to be repaired. HL579

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government how many platforms are planned for Old Oak Common rail station on the Great Western Main Line. HL580

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of (1) the total cost of construction at Old Oak Common Great Western rail station, and (2) the total time for construction from the beginning of works to the opening of the station for passengers. HL581

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government whether the funding for Old Oak Common Great Western rail station comes from HS2 Ltd or Network Rail. HL582

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government over what time periods rail services to and from Paddington Station will be disrupted due to construction for Old Oak Common Great Western station; and what alternative arrangements will be made for passengers. HL583

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of intercity trains are planned to stop at Old Oak Common Great Western rail station when it is fully operational; and what is the additional journey time between Reading and London for trains that will call at Old Oak Common. HL584

Lord Blencathra to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Davies of Gower on 27 November (HL339), why the steel sidebars on the disability buggies at Euston station were replaced in the last two weeks; what was the cost of installing the original ones and replacing them with the new ones; and who was responsible for making the decision on both sets of bars. HL585

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty's Government what is the expected timetable for the report by the Chief Inspector of Probation on the independent thematic inspection on the proportionality of recall to prison by IPP prisoners alleged to have breached their licence conditions, mentioned in a letter from the then Lord Chancellor to the Chair of the House of Commons Justice Committee on 1 February. HL586

The Earl of Clancarty to ask His Majesty's Government, for each year since 2013, what number of people were working in each of the nine sub-sectors of the creative industries, and what contribution each sub-sector has made to the economy. HL587

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government what the timeline is for implementing the new National Security Unit for Procurement within the Cabinet Office, as set out in the Procurement Act 2023; and who will be responsible for leading it. HL588

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government what is the consultation process and timeline for renewal of the National Procurement Policy Statement, and which Department will be responsible for leading this. HL589

Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty's Government how many members of the Afghan Territorial Force 444 and Commando Force 333 have (1) qualified for relocation to the UK under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy, and (2) been told they are ineligible under that policy. HL590

Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will reassess unsuccessful applications for the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy from individual members of the Afghan Territorial Force 444 and Commando Force 333 in the light of continued evidence of vulnerability to violent reprisals from the Taliban against them and their families. HL591

Baroness Cox to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the recent rise in Islamophobia (1) in Europe, and (2) globally; and what discussions they have had with EU counterparts to prevent Islamophobia. HL592

Baroness Cox to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to encourage (1) UK corporations, (2) and corporations which contract with the Government, to adopt Faith-and-Belief Friendly workplaces as part of Diversity and Inclusion standards. HL593

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to publish a progress report on the implementation of recommendations from the Brook House Inquiry report, published on 19 September. HL594

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to revise and re-issue guidance on adults at risk in immigration detention, which was last published in May 2021, as set out in section 59 of the Immigration Act 2016. HL595

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to publish a response to the UN Evaluation of the Refugee and Migrant Advice Service's Alternative to Detention Pilot, published on 23 August. HL596

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government how many general practitioners are stationed on site at MDP Wethersfield; and how regularly is this service accessible for migrants being housed at MDP Wethersfield. HL597

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask His Majesty's Government how many age assessments by border staff were overturned after a full Merton assessment conducted by local authority social workers over the last two years. HL598

Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions they have had with their counterparts in the EU regarding the introduction of legislation to ban (1) fur farming, and (2) fur sales. HL599

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the Myanmar military is implementing the provisional measures set out by the International Court of Justice in *The Gambia v. Myanmar* case, in which they recently filed their declaration of intervention. HL600

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking with respect to the effective enforcement of sanctions against Russian entities and individuals. HL601

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government what is their current position in relation to Ukraine joining NATO. HL602

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have made to address concerns in the social care sector about the closure of care homes caused by the loss of staff from overseas as a result of restrictions on staff bringing their families to the UK. HL603

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government how many local authorities they estimate are on the verge of bankruptcy; and what steps they plan to take to address this. HL604

Lord Hannan of Kingsclere to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the amendment to Article 59 of the World Health Organisation's International Health Regulations, adopted on 22 May 2022 by the World Health Assembly, and for which the opt-out period, available to each country separately, expires on 1 December. HL605

Lord Hannan of Kingsclere to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to the 307 amendments to the World Health Organisation's International Health Regulations (2005), proposed in May 2023, given the deadline for opting out of the regulations and that extended consideration period has now passed and that ten months remain for the UK to opt-out of the amendments. HL606

Lord Hannan of Kingsclere to ask His Majesty's Government whether they consider that parliamentary ratification is needed for the World Health Organisation's International Health Regulations (2005) as amended. HL607

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what is their response to the report prepared by Future Health for Astellas Pharma *Who's Counting: The case for urgent action to improve NHS continence care*, published in September. HL608

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to encourage NHS England to appoint a national Clinical Director for urological conditions and continence services. HL609

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implementation of NHS England guidance on Excellence in Continence Care published in June 2018. HL610

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 27 November (HL409–HL412), why the NHS Gloucestershire integrated care boards' lessons learnt report has not been published, and what assessment they have made of the public interest in publishing it following the High Court's decision in *Consultant Connect Limited v NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board, NHS Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board, NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board* [2022] EWHC 2037 (TCC), to ensure that procurement processes are followed properly by integrated care boards and without "considerable organisational bias". HL611

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 27 November (HL409–HL412), whether the NHS Gloucestershire integrated care boards' lessons learnt report has been shared widely with NHS organisations to ensure that procurement processes are followed properly by integrated care boards and without "considerable organisational bias". HL612

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 27 November (HL409–HL412), what guidance and support they are giving to integrated care boards to ensure they have procurement policies in place to ensure that procurement processes are followed properly without "considerable organisational bias". HL613

Baroness Jenkin of Kennington to ask His Majesty's Government how many Parental Orders were granted through the Family Courts in England and Wales about the number of children conceived through surrogacy using the surrogate mother's own egg in (1) 2017, (2) 2018, (3) 2019, (4) 2020, (5) 2021, and (6) 2022. HL614

Baroness Jenkin of Kennington to ask His Majesty's Government how many Parental Orders were granted to couples in England and Wales bringing a child in to this country conceived and carried through a commercial surrogacy arrangement abroad in (1) 2017, (2) 2018, (3) 2019, (4) 2020, (5) 2021, and (6) 2022. HL615

Baroness Jenkin of Kennington to ask His Majesty's Government what was the total number of Parental Orders granted for surrogacy arrangements in England and Wales in (1) 2017, (2) 2018, (3) 2019, (4) 2020, (5) 2021, and (6) 2022. HL616

The Earl of Leicester to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will make it a mandatory requirement for dog and cat flea treatments only to be approved for use if they have passed an environmental damage test. HL617

The Earl of Leicester to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect the Veterinary Medicines Directorate to report on their research into potential environmental exposure pathways for flea and tick products. HL618

Lord McNicol of West Kilbride to ask His Majesty's Government how many times the UK has been subject to legal action through investor-state dispute settlement which has been brought either individually or as part of a wider claim; how many times such claims have been successful against the UK; and what was the legal costs of defending those claims. HL619

Baroness Manzoor to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address the disproportionate impact of climate change, such as flooding, disease, drought and famine, on developing and poorer countries; and what funding they have allocated to address this in collaboration with other international governments. HL620

Lord Moylan to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks made by Earl Howe on 22 May where he stated that they plan to "engage stakeholders on the proposal set out in the levelling up White Paper to explore transferring the responsibility for licensing taxis and private hire vehicles to upper-tier and combined authorities" during the course of this year, when they intend to initiate that process. HL621

Lord Moynihan to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with their French and European counterparts about the prospect of an automatic visa entitlement for British nationals who own a second home in France. HL622

Lord Moynihan to ask His Majesty's Government whether member countries of the EU can reach independent agreements with the UK about the rights of British part year residents post-Brexit without recourse to the EU Commission. HL623

Lord Moynihan to ask His Majesty's Government what position they took during discussions between the Spanish acting Minister of Industry, and Foreign Office officials in November in which the 90-day cap on the stay of British tourists in Spain was discussed; and whether any agreement was reached. HL624

Lord Moynihan to ask His Majesty's Government, following reports that the French Senate has approved a bill amendment giving British second-home owners in France an automatic long-stay visa right without any formalities, whether they would support reciprocal rights; and what assessment they have made of the prospects that any such agreement would be successfully implemented. HL625

Baroness Moyo to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the economic and societal risks of generative AI, including a potential increase in unemployment as a result of automation of work, the prospect of increased need for public support to individuals and welfare payments. HL626

Lord Patten to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the ability of the Isles of Scilly Steamship Company to continue its role as sole strategic provider of seaborne passenger traffic between the islands and mainland in the case of any sale. HL627

Lord Ravensdale to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by the Minister of State for the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities when she stated that they "intend to do a fuller review of the national planning policy framework to ensure it contributes to climate change mitigation and adaptation as fully as possible" (HC Deb col 787), when they will do so. HL628

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of CCTV in addressing fly tipping hotspots. HL629

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, following a survey by the School and Public Health Nurses Association and the British Dental Association in June which showed that 65 per cent of health practitioners reported that children's health had got worse over the last year as a result of hunger, what plans they have to address hunger and poor nutrition in children. HL630

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the allegations of sexism, misogyny and sexual assault in the Ministry of Defence, in a recent letter sent in October which included testimonies from 60 female civil servants at the Ministry of Defence. HL631

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to commission an independent investigation into the culture of sexism and misogyny at the Ministry of Defence, as called for by the FDA trade union. HL632

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 23 November (HL192), of those unaccompanied children seeking asylum who are placed in hotels awaiting placement with a local authority who either have documents or do not require an age assessment, (1) how, and (2) when, their age is entered onto the operational databases referred to; when it is done so; and by whom its quality is assured. HL633

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 23 November (HL192), of those unaccompanied children seeking asylum over the last two years who have had to be placed in a hotel whilst awaiting to be placed with a local authority, what percentage either (1) had documents, or (2) did not require an age assessment. HL634

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, further to recent reports concerning job cuts at Lloyd's Bank, what steps they are taking to address challenges in the financial sector and mitigate the impact on employees. HL635

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, following the demonstration against antisemitism which took place in London on 26 November, what steps they are taking to (1) combat hate crimes, and (2) ensure safety for minority communities. HL636

Lord Wasserman to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Viscount Younger of Leckie on 26 October (HL10597), in how many countries there is a legal requirement to uprate the UK State Pensions paid to those UK pensioners who live there; and which countries they are. HL637

Lord Wasserman to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Viscount Younger of Leckie on 26 October (HL10597), when they last had discussions with the government of Canada about uprating UK State Pensions paid to UK pensioners residents in that country; and what was agreed at that meeting. HL638

Lord Wasserman to ask His Majesty's Government, further to their announcement in the Autumn Statement to make up to £7 million available to tackle antisemitism in schools and universities, whether they intend to allocate some of those funds to the University Jewish Chaplaincy, a charity which employs professional chaplains to provide support to Jewish students. HL639

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.

7 November (21 November)

HL42 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL43 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL46 Lord Laming [Department of Health and Social Care]

13 November (27 November)

HL197 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL198 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL199 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL214 The Lord Bishop of Durham [Department for Education]

HL233 Lord Moylan [Ministry of Justice]

HL234 Lord Moylan [Ministry of Justice]

HL235 Lord Moylan [Ministry of Justice]

HL236 Lord Moylan [Ministry of Justice]

HL237 Lord Moylan [Ministry of Justice]

HL238 Lord Moylan [Ministry of Justice]

HL245 Lord Stone of Blackheath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL254 Lord Taylor of Goss Moor [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL255 Lord Taylor of Goss Moor [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL256 Lord Taylor of Goss Moor [Department of Health and Social Care]

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

Education (1)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (3)

Health and Social Care (7)

Justice (6)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Automated Vehicles Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	28 November
Conversion Therapy Prohibition (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Succession to Peerages and Baronetcies Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Arbitration Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>) (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Employment and Trade Union Rights (Dismissal and Re-engagement) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Housing Act 1998 (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Alternative Investment Fund Designation Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Artificial Intelligence (Regulation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill	Government	
Genocide (Prevention and Response) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Workforce Information (Ethnicity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Foetal Sentience Committee Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Schools (Mental Health Professionals) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Committed to a Select Committee		
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
Committed to a Grand Committee		
Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Pedicabs (London) Bill [HL]	Government	
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Sent to the Commons		
Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

Draft Code of Practice on Reasonable Steps to be taken by a Trade Union (Minimum Service Levels) *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft Employment Tribunals and Employment Appeal Tribunal (Composition of Tribunal) Regulations 2023

Draft Medical Devices (In Vitro Diagnostic Devices etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Immigration Act 2014 (Residential Accommodation) (Maximum Penalty) Order 2023

Draft Immigration (Employment of Adults Subject to Immigration Control) (Maximum Penalty) (Amendment) Order 2023

Draft Data Reporting Services Regulations 2023

Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Public Offers and Admissions to Trading Regulations 2023

Draft Securitisation Regulations 2023

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Aviation (Consumers) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 (Port Examination Code of Practice) Regulations 2023

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Video Recording with Sound of Interviews and Associated Code of Practice) Regulations 2023

Draft Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Codes of Practice) (Revision of Codes A, B, C, D and H and New Code I) Order 2023

Draft Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2023

Draft Immigration (Health Charge) (Amendment) Order 2023

Draft Legal Services Act 2007 (Approved Regulator) Order 2023

Draft Plant Protection Products (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Representation of the People (Overseas Electors etc.) (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Representation of the People (Overseas Electors etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Sentencing Act 2020 (Amendment of Schedule 21) Regulations 2023 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Payment and Electronic Money Institution Insolvency (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Plant Health etc. (Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Higher-Risk Buildings (Keeping and Provision of Information etc.) (England) Regulations 2023

Draft Agriculture (Delinked Payments and Consequential Provisions) (England) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft Data Protection (Fundamental Rights and Freedoms) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *3rd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Employment Rights (Amendment, Revocation and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft Equality Act 2010 (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *3rd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2023 *3rd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Benchmarks and Capital Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *3rd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2023

Draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Border Security) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: NHS Ambulance Services and the NHS Patient Transport Service) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Passenger Railway Services) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2023

Draft Hydrogen Production Revenue Support (Directions, Eligibility and Counterparty) Regulations 2023

Draft Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Amendment of List of Safe States) Regulations 2024

Draft Trade Union (Deduction of Union Subscriptions from Wages in the Public Sector) Regulations 2023 *3rd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Child Support (Management of Payments and Arrears and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Judicial Pensions (Remediable Service etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Negative Instruments

Merchant Shipping (Counting and Registration of Persons on board Passenger Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *49th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23. Praying time ended 10 November*

Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Public Health Marketing and Organic Product Standards and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 51st Report, Session 2022–23. Praying time ended 18 November*

Judicial Discipline (Prescribed Procedures) Regulations 2023 *53rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23. Praying time ends 28 November*

Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 55th Report, Session 2022–23. Praying time ends 28 November*

Food (Promotion and Placement) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 55th Report, Session 2022–23. Praying time ended 17 November*

Customs (Safety and Security Procedures) Regulations 2023 *55th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23. Praying time ends 1 December*

National College for Advanced Transport and Infrastructure (Designated Institution in Further Education and Revocations) (Revocation) Order 2023 *55th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23. Praying time ends 5 December*

School Teachers' Pay and Conditions (England) Order 2023 *55th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23. Praying time ends 5 December*

Courts and Tribunals (Fee Remissions and Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2023 *1st Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 5 December*

Misuse of Drugs (England and Wales and Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 1st Report. Praying time ends 7 December*

Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) Order 2023 *1st Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 13 December*

Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 *1st Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 December*

Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023 *1st Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 December*

Private Crossings (Signs and Barriers) Regulations 2023 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 December*

Official Controls (Plant Health) (Prior Notification) and Phytosanitary Conditions (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 December*

Dangerous Dogs (Designated Types) (England and Wales) Order 2023 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 16 December*

Childcare (Childminder Agencies) (Cancellation etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 16 December*

Information as to Provision of Education (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 17 December*

Human Rights Remedial Order

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

Draft Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Remedial) Order 2023 *Scrutiny period expires 15 January*

Proposed Negative Statutory Instruments laid under the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023

Railways (Revocation and Consequential Provision) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires 6 December*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

Protocol amending the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization – Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies *Scrutiny period expires: 29 November*

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Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction 2023 *Scrutiny period expires: 30 November*

Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War to the Convention on Prohibition or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol V) *Scrutiny period expires: 9 January 2024*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Georgia concerning Air Services *Scrutiny period expires: 10 January 2024*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Belgium on the Gainful Occupation of Certain Family Members of the Personnel of the Diplomatic Missions and Consular Posts *Scrutiny period expires: 17 January 2024*

Treaties considered by a Select Committee

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Portuguese Republic on Mutual Recognition for the Purpose of Driving and Exchange of Licenses *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 14 November. Scrutiny period expires: 30 November*

Amending Agreement No. 2 between the United Kingdom and Georgia Amending the Strategic Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the two countries *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 14 November. Scrutiny period expires: 11 December*

Amending Agreement No. 2 between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Moldova to amend the Strategic Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the two countries *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 14 November. Scrutiny period expires: 11 December*

Exchange of Notes amending the Free Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Korea *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 14 November. Scrutiny period expires: 19 December*

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Tuesday 28 November

Science and Technology Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 2	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 4	3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 2A	3.45pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 3	4.00pm

Wednesday 29 November

Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 4A	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Archbishops' Room, Millbank House	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Finance Bill Sub-Committee	Room 2	10.30am
Public Services Committee	Room 4	3.00pm
Built Environment Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
Windsor Framework Sub-Committee	Room 2	3.30pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	4.15pm

Monday 4 December

National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	4.00pm
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Tuesday 5 December

European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
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Wednesday 6 December

Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Finance Committee	Room 3A	3.45pm

Thursday 14 December

Services Committee	Room 2A	12.15pm
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Monday 18 December

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	4.00pm
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Tuesday 23 January

Restoration and Renewal Client Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	4.00pm
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Wednesday 24 January

Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm
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Tuesday 30 January

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee	Room 2A	3.00pm
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Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 27 November 2023

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of London.

Select Committee Report

1 Integration of primary and community care

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

Patients at the centre: integrating primary and community care. (HL Paper 18)

Public Business

2 **Jobs market: graduates** A question was asked by Lord Londesborough and answered by Baroness Barran.

3 **Sudan and South Sudan** A question was asked by Baroness Anelay of St Johns and answered by Lord Benyon.

4 **Rail fares** A question was asked by Baroness Randerson and answered by Lord Davies of Gower.

5 **Metropolitan Police reform** A question was asked by Lord Lexden and answered by Lord Sharpe of Epsom.

6 **Foetal Sentience Committee Bill [HL]** Lord Moylan presented a bill to make provision for a Foetal Sentience Committee to review current understanding of the sentience of the human foetus and to inform policy-making; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 15)

7 **Schools (Mental Health Professionals) Bill [HL]** Baroness Tyler of Enfield presented a bill to make provision to require every school to have access to a qualified mental health professional; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 16)

8 **Digital Government (Disclosure of Information) (Identity Verification Services) Regulations 2023** Lord Evans of Rainow, on behalf of Baroness Neville-Rolfe, moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 September be approved. The motion was agreed to.

9 **Health Protection (Coronavirus, Testing Requirements and Standards) (England) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2023** Lord Markham moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 September be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

10 **Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023** Lord Markham moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 October be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

11 **Wine (Revocation and Consequential Provision) Regulations 2023** Lord Benyon moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 25 October be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

12 Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (Substitution of Cut-off Date Relating to Rights of Way) (England) Regulations 2023 Baroness Hayman of Ullock moved that this House regrets that the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (Substitution of Cut-off Date Relating to Rights of Way) (England) Regulations 2023 were laid before Parliament during the prorogation period and are due to come into force before the House has sufficient time to scrutinise them following debate on His Majesty’s Most Gracious Speech; notes the lack of public consultation on the policy implemented by the regulations; and calls on His Majesty’s Government to outline whether and how they expect the existing backlog of applications relating to unregistered rights of way to be cleared before the deadline contained in the regulations. After debate, the motion was withdrawn.

13 Justification Decision (Scientific Age Imaging) Regulations 2023 Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 13 September be approved. Then Baroness Brinton moved, as an amendment to the motion in the name of Lord Sharpe of Epsom, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that (1) the Regulations are premature as the policy is still under development, (2) it is unclear whether a person can freely consent to the specified tests, (3) there is no defined mechanism for the Secretary of State to monitor and review the policy, and (4) neither an impact assessment, nor costs associated with the Regulations, have been presented to Parliament for scrutiny; and calls on His Majesty’s Government to withdraw the Regulations until the policy has been developed in full and an impact assessment and costings have been provided to Parliament.” After debate, the amendment was agreed to (see division 1). Then the original motion, as amended, was agreed to.

14 Immigration (Age Assessments) Regulations 2023 Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 14 September be approved. Then Baroness Brinton moved, as an amendment to the motion in the name of Lord Sharpe of Epsom, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that (1) the Regulations are premature as the policy is still under development, (2) it is unclear whether a person can freely consent to the specified tests, (3) there is no defined mechanism for the Secretary of State to monitor and review the policy, and (4) neither an impact assessment, nor costs associated with the Regulations, have been presented to Parliament for scrutiny; and calls on His Majesty’s Government to withdraw the Regulations until the policy has been developed in full and an impact assessment and costings have been provided to Parliament.” The amendment was agreed to (see division 2). Then the original motion, as amended, was agreed to.

15 Public Service Obligations in Transport Regulations 2023 Lord Davies of Gower moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 16 October be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

16 Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes Order 2023 Lord Davies of Gower moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 16 October be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

17 Recognition of Professional Qualifications and Implementation of International Recognition Agreements (Amendment) Regulations 2023 Lord Offord of Garvel moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 17 October be approved. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 9.17pm until Tuesday 28 November at 2.30pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

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. Dates in brackets indicate the non-sitting days on which those papers were laid:

- 1 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Public Procurement (Agreement on Government Procurement) (Thresholds) (Amendment) Regulations 2023, originally laid on 26 October (24 November). (—)
- 2 Justice—Murder Sentencing: A consultation on the starting point for determination of the minimum term in relation to the mandatory life sentence for murder, for cases preceded by controlling or coercive behaviour against the murder victim and cases involving the use of a knife or other weapon. (972)
- 3 Crime—Government Response to the consultation on preventing the use of SIM farms for fraud.(978)
- 4 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Employment Rights (Amendment, Revocation and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2023, originally laid on 7 November. (—)

Statutory Instruments laid under Standing Order 70

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

- 1 Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions Designation (No. 2) (West Sussex) (Chichester and Crawley) (Amendment) and the Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions Designation Order 2023 (*Negative Instrument, No. 1256, laid on 24 November*)
- 2 Car, Van and Heavy Duty Vehicle Carbon Dioxide Emissions Performance Standards (Civil Penalties and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023 (*Negative Instrument, No. 1257, laid on 24 November*)

Affirmative Instruments

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

- 1 Draft Data Reporting Services Regulations 2023
- 2 Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) Order 2024
- 3 Draft Public Offers and Admissions to Trading Regulations 2023
- 4 Draft Securitisation Regulations 2023

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Short Selling (Notification Threshold) Regulations 2023 (1258)
- 2 Adoption Support Agencies (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (1261)
- 3 Occupational Pensions (Revaluation) Order 2023 (1265)
- 4 National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments of Subordinate Legislation) Regulations 2023 (1267)

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

- 5 Statute, made by Darwin College, Cambridge on 25 May, revising the existing Statutes of the College (—)
- 6 Statute, made by the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge on 19 June, amending the existing Statutes of the University (—)
- 7 Statute, made by the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge on 19 June, amending the existing Statutes of the University (—)

Divisions

Justification Decision (Scientific Age Imaging) Regulations 2023

Division No. 1

Baroness Brinton moved, as an amendment to the motion that the Justification Decision (Scientific Age Imaging) Regulations 2023 be agreed to, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that (1) the Regulations are premature as the policy is still under development, (2) it is unclear whether a person can freely consent to the specified tests, (3) there is no defined mechanism for the Secretary of State to monitor and review the policy, and (4) neither an impact assessment, nor costs associated with the Regulations, have been presented to Parliament for scrutiny; and calls on His Majesty’s Government to withdraw the Regulations until the policy has been developed in full and an impact assessment and costings have been provided to Parliament.” The House divided:

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Immigration (Age Assessments) Regulations 2023

Division No. 2

Baroness Brinton moved, as an amendment to the motion that the Immigration (Age Assessments) Regulations 2023 be agreed to, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that (1) the Regulations are premature as the policy is still under development, (2) it is unclear whether a person can freely consent to the specified tests, (3) there is no defined mechanism for the Secretary of State to monitor and review the policy, and (4) neither an impact assessment, nor costs associated with the Regulations, have been presented to Parliament for scrutiny; and calls on His Majesty’s Government to withdraw the Regulations until the policy has been developed in full and an impact assessment and costings have been provided to Parliament.” The House divided:

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