

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).

Future Business**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.

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



***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.

†***Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to abolish residential leasehold for flats. [1]

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. (3 hours)

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. (2 hours)

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.

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

†**Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 (Port Examination Code of Practice) Regulations 2023** Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 16 October be approved.

†**National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2023** Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 16 October be approved.

†**National Security Act 2023 (Video Recording with Sound of Interviews and Associated Code of Practice) Regulations 2023** Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 16 October be approved.

†**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*

†**Plant Protection Products (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023** Lord Harlech to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 23 October be approved. *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**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*

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 29 November; to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 1 December.*

†*Four questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs (40 minutes). Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Thursday 30 November.*

†**Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill** Second Reading [Lord Offord of Garvel] *Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Offord of Garvel 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 36	Schedule 16
Schedule 1	Clauses 208 to 213
Clauses 37 to 57	Schedule 17
Schedule 2	Clause 214
Clauses 58 to 124	Schedule 18
Schedule 3	Clauses 215 to 223
Clauses 125 to 127	Schedule 19
Schedule 4	Clauses 224 to 253
Clause 128	Schedule 20
Schedule 5	Clause 254
Clause 129	Schedule 21
Schedule 6	Clauses 255 to 282
Clauses 130 to 136	Schedule 22
Schedule 7	Clauses 283 to 293
Clause 137	Schedule 23
Schedule 8	Clauses 294 to 299
Clauses 138 to 142	Schedule 24
Schedules 9 to 11	Clauses 300 to 307
Clause 143	Schedule 25
Schedule 12	Clauses 308 to 323
Clause 144	Schedule 26
Schedule 13	Clauses 324 to 325
Clauses 145 to 149	Schedule 27
Schedules 14 to 15	Clauses 326 to 355
Clauses 150 to 207	Title.

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 30 November, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 4 December.*

†**Code of Practice on Reasonable Steps to be taken by a Trade Union (Minimum Service Levels)**

Lord Johnson of Lainston to move that the draft Code of Practice laid before the House on 13 November be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report. Instrument not yet reported by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.*

†**Lord Collins of Highbury** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that the draft Code of Practice imposes significant new duties on trade unions, beyond the scope of the Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Act 2023; could exacerbate conflict in the workplace; and despite its intention to provide additional clarification to unions, still contains significant areas of uncertainty.”

†**Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: NHS Ambulance Services and the NHS Patient Transport Service) Regulations 2023**

Lord Markham to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 November be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

†**Baroness Merron** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that the draft Regulations contain policy detail that was not included 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 by the Government which suggests that their implementation will be challenging.”

†**Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Border Security) Regulations 2023**

Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 November be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

†**Lord Coaker** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that the draft Regulations contain policy detail that was not included in primary legislation, contrary to the recommendation of the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee; and considers, given that the impact assessment acknowledges that some workers’ right to take industrial action will be affected or denied, that they are too prohibitive.”

†**Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Passenger Railway Services) Regulations 2023**

Lord Davies of Gower to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 November be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

†**Lord Liddle** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that the draft Regulations contain policy detail that was not included in primary legislation, contrary to the recommendation of the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee; that their retrospective element will create uncertainty; that the impact assessment is not sufficiently robust; that it is unclear whether contractual relationships will impact the issue of work notices; and that they may prevent workers from being able to take industrial action.”

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

†**Aviation (Consumers) (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Davies of Gower]

†**Plant Health etc. (Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Benyon] *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Payment and Electronic Money Institution Insolvency (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton]

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 1 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 5 December.*

†**Baroness Jenkin of Kennington** to move that this House takes note of the importance of safeguarding children in schools.

†**Baroness Hooper** to move that this House takes note of the United Kingdom's relationship with the countries of Latin America, and the political trends and economic developments in those countries.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

†**Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill [HL]** Committee [Lord Johnson of Lainston] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

Friday 8 December 2023 at 10.00am

†**The Lord Archbishop of Canterbury** to move that this House takes note of *Love Matters*, the report of the Archbishops' Commission on Families and Households.

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.

†*Topical Question for Short Debate. Ballot opens at 10am on Monday 4 December, to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 5 December.*

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 11.00am

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 Balfe** 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 closed 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.

†**Lord Oates** to move that this House takes note of the contribution of non-British nationals to the NHS and care services.

†**Lord Farmer** to move that this House takes note of the economic, social and psychological costs of childcare.

†**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to move that this House takes note of the threat to chalk streams and the case for stricter regulation of pollution.

†**Lord Crisp** to move that this House takes note of the need to focus on health creation and promoting the causes of health alongside strengthening prevention and tackling the causes of disease.

†**Baroness Helic** to move that this House takes note of the current state of conservation and protection measures for hares in England and Wales.

†**Lord Frost** to move that this House takes note of the work to date of the UK Covid-19 Inquiry.

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*

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 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 28 November and due for answer by 12 December.

Lord Addington to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have published guidance for people and organisations wishing to donate to charities in India, with regard to India's Foreign Contribution Regulation Act. HL640

Lord Addington to ask His Majesty's Government whether the British High Commission in New Delhi has the resources to give practical guidance concerning national and state law to people and organisations, particularly UK charities, who wish to donate to charitable causes in India and who are not registered with India's Foreign Contribution Regulation Act; and what is the name of any such guidance. HL641

Lord Addington to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have encouraged the Indian High Commission in London to provide advice on how best to donate to charitable causes in the Republic of India for those who are not registered with India's Foreign Contribution Regulation Act. HL642

Lord Addington to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce a system similar to the Australian Direct Aid Program for use in India. HL643

Lord Addington to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have asked the British Commonwealth of Nations for advice on how the charitable sector can operate within the Commonwealth. HL644

Earl Attlee to ask His Majesty's Government which sections of which Acts of Parliament that have received Royal Assent since May 2010 have not been commenced by Ministers. HL645

Lord Browne of Belmont to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that patients diagnosed with dementia are able to access breakthrough treatments as soon as possible. HL646

Lord Browne of Belmont to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they are taking to enhance bilateral relations with the United States; and what priorities they have identified for cooperation on key global challenges. HL647

Lord Browne of Belmont to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they are taking to deepen relations with New Zealand; and what common objectives have been identified for advancing cooperation in areas of mutual interest. HL648

Lord Browne of Belmont to ask His Majesty's Government what investments they are making to enhance the capacity of the Armed Forces, including modernization of equipment, training and recruitment. HL649

Lord Browne of Belmont to ask His Majesty's Government what update they can provide on the progress of initiatives aimed at enhancing the cybersecurity of the UK military; and what measures are in place to protect the UK military's critical infrastructure. HL650

Lord Browne of Belmont to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they are taking to increase the availability of non-invasive cancer treatment technologies. HL651

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government what is their anticipated timeline for the introduction of age verification measures to prevent children's access to online pornography. HL652

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government, further to their announcement on 3 July regarding the launch of a pornography review to tackle exploitative, abusive and illegal content online, what update they can provide on plans for that review. HL653

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government whether Ofcom has any plans (1) to hold discussions with the British Board of Film Classification to support its regulation of online pornography sites, and (2) to collaborate with the Internet Watch Foundation, in relation to child sex abuse material. HL654

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Viscount Camrose on 27 September (HL10227), when the temporary pause to the Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme was introduced; when the work to launch the new procurements will be completed; and for what reason they closed the Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme while the procurements were taking place. HL655

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Viscount Camrose on 28 September (HL10228), how many of the 97 voucher project applications came from Northern Ireland. HL656

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government how they envisage the work of Ofwat will contribute to the revised Growth Duty, which was announced alongside the Autumn Statement. HL657

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government whether they envisage any conflicts arising between the statutory duties of Ofwat and the revised Growth Duty, which was announced alongside the Autumn Statement; and if so, which duties should be prioritised. HL658

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government, following reports that 96 per cent of respondents to their 2021 Call for Evidence on the fur trade strongly agreed that it is wrong for animals to be killed for fur, what plans they have to bring forward legislation to ban the (1) import, and (2) sale, of fur. HL659

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether the 2023 abortion statistics for England and Wales will be published concurrently with the 2022 statistics in April 2024. HL660

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government why the abortion statistics for England and Wales for 2022 have been delayed and will not be published until April 2024. HL661

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to instruct the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities to regularly and expeditiously report the Hospital Episode Statistics on abortion complications that are treated on an outpatient basis at NHS A&E departments. HL662

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that the reporting of Hospital Episode Statistics on abortion complications treated at NHS hospitals, as published by the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities on 23 November, is made part of that Office's routine annual reporting of abortion statistics in England and Wales. HL663

The Earl of Lytton to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to lay statutory instruments under section 76 of the Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022 to introduce transitional provisions. HL664

The Earl of Lytton to ask His Majesty's Government how many civil servants in the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology are currently working on an implementation strategy or transitional provisions for the Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022. HL665

The Earl of Lytton to ask His Majesty's Government how many meetings they have had with industry stakeholders about an implementation strategy and transitional provisions of the Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022. HL666

The Earl of Lytton to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of orders for backdated rent payments under the Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022. HL667

Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown to ask His Majesty's Government why Northern Ireland was omitted from the Chancellor's plan to create more freeports or 'investment zones' within the UK. HL668

Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the European Commission about changing the Windsor Framework and removing aspects of EU law from Northern Ireland. HL669

Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to stop dangerous and illegal Channel crossings and to ensure criminal gangs can no longer assist illegal immigration into the UK, and when they expect such crossings to end. HL670

Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce legislation to deliver unfettered access for goods between Northern Ireland and the rest of the UK, and to remove the Irish Sea border, custom, and sanitary and phytosanitary checks, under the Windsor Framework. HL671

Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown to ask His Majesty's Government what active steps they have taken to promote Northern Ireland's position within the UK. HL672

Baroness Quin to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to reply to the letter dated 24 July from Baroness Quin to the Minister of State at the Department for Education regarding the inclusion of traditional music in music teaching in schools. HL673 [1]

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government, in relation to duties imposed on local authorities by the Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill for which there is an enforcement authority, whether there are any other instances in statute in which persons are able to make applications for judicial review of the local authority, rather than the enforcement authority. HL674

Lord Rogan to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with (1) representatives of the devolved governments, and (2) trade unions, regarding the geographical discrepancies in starting salaries for teachers across the UK. HL675

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Offord of Garvel on 28 November (HL427), whether they have assessed how many (1) underage children, and (2) illegal workers, have been working as delivery riders; and if so, how many of each there were in (a) 2021, and (b) 2022. HL676

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon on 27 November (HL485), how much the UK donated in aid to the Rohingya response in Bangladesh in (1) 2017, (2) 2018, (3) 2019, (4) 2020, (5) 2021, and (6) 2022. HL677

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to respond to the high level of transport poverty in rural areas, as outlined in the report *Getting the measure of transport poverty* published by the Social Market Foundation on 15 November. HL678

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government how many people who arrived in the UK claiming to be unaccompanied children seeking asylum, and who underwent a Merton compliant age assessment and were determined as a child, were then found to be an adult, for each year since 2016; and what percentage of the number of Merton compliant age assessment tests this constituted, broken down by year since 2016. HL679

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government why the former Ambassador to Bahrain, Roderick Drummond, has not been instructed to hand back the award given to him by the government of Bahrain, given the terms of the UK Rules on Acceptance of Foreign Awards; and what assessment they have made of the potential consequences for the performance of UK ambassadors which may arise from allowing the retention of such honours by former ambassadors. HL680

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government what provision and educational support is given to children and young people who are out of school long term with cancer. HL681

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of any potential benefits of using artificial intelligence to develop skills for the workplace. HL682

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to sustain and increase economic confidence among consumers. HL683

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the recent survey conducted by the Rail, Maritime and Transport Union, which found that 40 per cent of women public transport workers have been sexually harassed at work, what steps they are taking to combat sexual harassment in the transport sector and prevent it from worsening. HL684

Baroness Thomas of Winchester to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they are making towards Sharia-compliant student loans. HL685

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many apprenticeship starts at level 6 there were in (1) 2021–22, and (2) 2022–23, broken down by (a) 16 to 18 year-olds, (b) 19 to 24 year-olds, and (c) those aged 25 and over; and how many of these were degree apprenticeships. HL686

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many apprenticeship starts on the level 7 Senior Leadership standard there were in (1) 2021–22, and (2) 2022–23; how many of these apprentices were employed in levy-paying organisations; and how many there were per region. HL687

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many apprenticeship completions were recorded on the Senior Leadership route in 2022–23. HL688

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many apprenticeship starts at level 7 there were in (1) 2021–22, and (2) 2022–23 which fell within the legal, finance and accounting route; how many of these were employed in levy-paying organisations; and how many there were per region HL689

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many End Point Assessment Organisations are currently approved to carry out assessments for level 7 standards; and how many of these are (1) higher education institutions, (2) other educational institutions, (3) independent training providers, (4) awarding bodies or subsidiaries of awarding bodies, and (5) organisations that do not fall into any of those categories. HL690

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]

13 November (27 November)

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

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

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]

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

14 November (28 November)

HL321 Lord Shinkwin [Women and Equalities]

HL306 Baroness O'Neill of Bexley [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL264 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL267 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL268 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL326 Lord Taylor of Goss Moor [Department for Transport]

HL282 Baroness Helic [Ministry of Justice]

HL283 Baroness Helic [Ministry of Justice]

HL284 Baroness Helic [Ministry of Justice]

HL293 The Marquess of Lothian [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

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

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (4)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (4)

Health and Social Care (4)

Justice (3)

Transport (1)

Women and Equalities (1)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
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 1988 (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 (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	5 December
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	
Commercial Organisations and Public Authorities Duty (Human Rights and Environment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Coroners (Determination of Suicide) 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	7 December
Pedicabs (London) Bill [HL]	Government	
Automated Vehicles Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	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 (6 December)*

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

Draft General Aviation (Persons on Board, Flight Information and Civil Penalties) Regulations 2024

Draft Online Safety (List of Overseas Regulators) Regulations 2024

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Aviation (Consumers) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *(6 December)*

Draft Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 (Port Examination Code of Practice) Regulations 2023 *(4 December)*

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Video Recording with Sound of Interviews and Associated Code of Practice) Regulations 2023 *(4 December)*

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 *(4 December)*

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 (4 December)*

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 *(6 December)*

Draft Plant Health etc. (Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 December)*

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 (6 December)*

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 (6 December)*

Draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Passenger Railway Services) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report (6 December)*

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 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 4th Report*

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 (4 December)*

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 (4 December)*

Judicial Discipline (Prescribed Procedures) Regulations 2023 *53rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23. Praying time ended 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 ended 28 November (4 December)*

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*

Dangerous Dogs (Compensation and Exemption Schemes) (England and Wales) Order 2023 *4th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 January*

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

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 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*

Protocol amending the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization – Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies *Reported by the International Agreements Committee on 28 November. Scrutiny period expires: 29 November*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Georgia concerning Air Services *Reported by the International Agreements Committee on 28 November. Scrutiny period expires: 10 January 2024*

Retirement

The following member of the House has given notice of his intention to retire.

Lord Rodgers of Quarry Bank (12 December)

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

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

Science and Technology Committee		10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am
Economic Affairs Committee		3.00pm
European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
International Agreements Committee		4.00pm

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 Tuesday 28 November 2023

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of London.

1 Notification of retirement The Clerk of the Parliaments informed the House that he had received written notice from Lord Rodgers of Quarry Bank under section 1 of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014 stating that he would retire from the House on 12 December.

Select Committee Reports

2 Secondary Legislation Scrutiny

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

Drawn to the special attention of the House:

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

Includes an information paragraph on:

Dangerous Dogs (Compensation and Exemption Schemes) (England and Wales) Order 2023. (4th Report, HL Paper 19)

3 International Agreements

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

Scrutiny of International Agreements: WTO Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies. (1st Report, HL Paper 20)

Public Business

4 Windrush generation A question was asked by Lord Davies of Brixton and answered by Lord Sharpe of Epsom.

5 Conflict and climate change in fragile states: support for children A question was asked by Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale and answered by Lord Harlech.

6 Birmingham Highways Infrastructure Private Finance Initiative A question was asked by Lord Snape and answered by Lord Davies of Gower.

7 Climate change: aims for COP 28 A question was asked by Lord Harries of Pentregarth and answered by Lord Callanan.

8 Commercial Organisations and Public Authorities Duty (Human Rights and Environment) Bill [HL] Baroness Young of Hornsey presented a bill to place a duty on commercial organisations and public authorities to prevent human rights and environmental harms, including an obligation to conduct and publish human rights and environmental due diligence assessments on their own operations, subsidiaries, and value chains; to make provision for civil liability, penalties, and a criminal offence for failures to comply with the duty; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 17)

9 Commercial Organisations and Public Authorities Duty (Human Rights and Environment) Bill [HL] The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 17–EN)

10 Coroners (Determination of Suicide) Bill [HL] The Lord Bishop of St Albans presented a bill to require the coroner, following an inquest, to record an opinion as to the relevant factors in a case of death by suicide; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 18)

11 **Procedure and Privileges** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved 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. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

12 **Procedure and Privileges** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved 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. The motion was agreed to.

13 **Ukraine** The Earl of Minto repeated as a statement the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons.

14 **Automated Vehicles Bill [HL]** Lord Davies of Gower moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the motion was agreed to. Then Lord Davies of Gower moved that the bill be committed to a Grand Committee, and that it be an instruction to the 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
Clauses 55 to 66	Title.

The motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 6.54pm until Wednesday 29 November at 3.00pm.

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 Paper

The following paper was presented to the House by command of His Majesty:

- 1 Public Inquiry—Report of the Independent Inquiry into the issues raised by the David Fuller case.(—)

Affirmative Instruments

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

- 1 Draft General Aviation (Persons on Board, Flight Information and Civil Penalties) Regulations 2024
- 2 Draft Online Safety (List of Overseas Regulators) Regulations 2024

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Public Interest Disclosure (Prescribed Persons) (Amendment) Order 2023 (1254)
- 2 State Pension Revaluation for Transitional Pensions Order 2023 (1269)
- 3 State Pension Debits and Credits (Revaluation) Order 2023 (1270)
- 4 Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Panel Remuneration and Reports) Regulations 2023 (1273)

Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following paper was laid before the House:

- 1 Report by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero on the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Act 1996 2022

