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HOUSE OF LORDS

TODAY'S LISTS  
THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2023

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**Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

*Prayers by the Bishop of London (5 minutes)*

*Introduction*

**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 Davies of Gower, DfT)**
- \* 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. **(Lord Benyon, FCDO)**
- \* 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 Benyon, DEFRA)**
- \* Lord Kennedy of Southwark to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to abolish residential leasehold for flats. **(Baroness Penn, DLUHC)**

*Main Business*

**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.**  
*(Time-limited to 3 hours)*

*Speakers:*

- L Hunt of Kings Heath
- L Lexden
- B Walmsley
- B Taylor of Bolton
- 5 B Pitkeathley
- B Hodgson of Abinger
- L Prentis of Leeds

- L Brooke of Alverthorpe  
Bp London
- 10 L Cashman  
B Taylor of Stevenage  
B Tyler of Enfield  
B Crawley  
L Davies of Brixton
- 15 B Finlay of Llandaff  
L Dubs  
B Donaghy  
L Drayson
- L Allan of Hallam
- 20 B Merron  
L Markham  
L Hunt of Kings Heath

*Except for Lord Hunt of Kings Heath (15 minutes), Lord Allan of Hallam (10 minutes), Baroness Merron (10 minutes) and Lord Markham (20 minutes), all speeches are limited to 7 minutes*

*Topical Question for Short Debate*

**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. (Time-limited to 1 hour)**

*Speakers:*

- Bp London  
L Davies of Brixton  
B Bennett of Manor Castle
- L Allan of Hallam
5. B Sherlock  
V Younger of Leckie

*Except for The Lord Bishop of London (10 minutes) and Viscount Younger of Leckie (12 minutes), all speeches are limited to 9 minutes.*

**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. (Time-limited to 2 hours)**

*Speakers:*

- B Andrews
- B Kidron
- B Goudie
- B Bennett of Manor Castle
- 5 L Brooke of Alverthorpe

L Storey

B Twycross

B Barran

B Andrews

*Except for Baroness Andrews (15 minutes), and Baroness Barran (20 minutes), all speeches are limited to 14 minutes*

*Estimated rising time*

The House is expected to rise at around 6pm.

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*Notes:*

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