

**Wednesday 10 January 2024 at 3.00pm***Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Khan of Burnley** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent assessment they have made of conditions in social housing, including levels of mould.

\***Lord Sahota** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the HMRC services to the public in processing tax returns.

\***Lord Hacking** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with NatWest, as a major shareholder, regarding the numbers of (1) payment account terminations, and (2) local branch closures, since 1 January 2023.

†\***Baroness Chakrabarti** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce legislation to quash the convictions of, and compensate, those sub-postmasters and post-mistresses prosecuted and convicted of fraud by the Post Office as a result of faulty Horizon software.

**Automated Vehicles Bill [HL]** Committee [Lord Davies of Gower] *Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought*

*The following two motions are expected to be debated together as dinner break business:*

**Biodiversity Gain Site Register (Financial Penalties and Fees) Regulations 2024** Lord Benyon to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 30 November 2023 be approved.

**Biodiversity Gain (Town and Country Planning) (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024** Lord Benyon to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 30 November 2023 be approved.

**Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm**

**Judicial Pensions (Remediable Service etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Bellamy]

**Employment Tribunals and Employment Appeal Tribunal (Composition of Tribunal) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Bellamy]

**Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton]

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

†**Data Reporting Services Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton] *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Securitisation Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton] *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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



## Future Business

### Thursday 11 January 2024 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Strathcarron** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the level of (1) excess deaths not attributable to COVID-19, particularly coronary and vascular-related excess deaths, and (2) excess deaths in younger age cohorts, since 1 January 2020.

\***Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government why they did not proceed with the planned abolition of leasehold for flats in the Leasehold and Freehold Reform Bill. *[I]*

\***Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to the findings of the Brook House Inquiry, published on 19 September 2023, in particular its recommendation for a 28-day time limit on immigration detention.

†\***Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on infrastructure, homes and farmland of the recent storms, and what steps they intend to take to increase resilience to future weather events.

†**Business of the House** The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) to move that Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Tuesday 16 January to enable the Post Office (Horizon System) Compensation Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day.

†**Baroness Featherstone** to move that this House takes note of the current standing of parliamentary democracy and standards in public life. *(2½ hours)*

†**Baroness Northover** to move that this House takes note of the United Kingdom's contribution to international development, in particular with regard to the impact of climate change on developing nations. *(2½ hours)*

†**Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill [HL]** Lord Johnson of Lainston to move that the amendments for the Report stage be marshalled and considered in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 3  
The Schedule

Clauses 4 to 8  
Title.

### Monday 15 January 2024 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Bruce of Bennachie** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to promote the end of absolute poverty through international development aid.

\***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to restricting the use of engineered stone, following the decision by Australia to ban it; and whether they plan to make silicosis a notifiable disease.

\***Baroness Randerson** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are planning to introduce a graduated driving licence for young and newly qualified drivers.

†\***Lord Dubs** to ask His Majesty's Government what consultations they propose to have before the next renewal of the BBC's Royal Charter about news and current affairs programmes, including the future of *Newsnight*.

†*It is expected that the Committee stage of the Automated Vehicles Bill [HL] will continue.*

## Tuesday 16 January 2024 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***The Lord Bishop of Durham** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of Coram's Charter for Children, and what steps they plan to take to implement its recommendations to create better chances for children.

†\***Lord Moylan** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reply to the letter addressed to them on 17 August 2023 by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and others, concerning imprisonment for public protection.

†\***Baroness Boycott** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the BBC Panorama documentary *The Water Pollution Cover-Up*, what assessment they have made of the ability of the Environment Agency to regulate and police water companies, and what steps they plan to take to stop sewage entering watercourses.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 10 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 12 January.*

†*Four questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs (40 minutes). Ballot opens at 10am on Thursday 4 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Thursday 11 January.*

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

†*If the Business of the House motion in the name of the Lord Privy Seal on 11 January is agreed, it is expected that the Post Office (Horizon System) Compensation Bill will be taken through its remaining stages.*

## **Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm**

†**Public Offers and Admissions to Trading Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton] *7th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Online Safety (List of Overseas Regulators) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Camrose] *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) Order 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *7th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

†**Immigration Act 2014 (Residential Accommodation) (Maximum Penalty) Order 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Immigration (Employment of Adults Subject to Immigration Control) (Maximum Penalty) (Amendment) Order 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Wine (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Harlech] *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

## Wednesday 17 January 2024 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Morse** to ask His Majesty's Government, given the freeze in the BBC licence fee over the last two years and following their announcement on 7 December of changes to the licence fee from April 2024, what are their plans for future changes to BBC funding.

†\***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps are being taken to ensure that appropriate funding is in place to deliver immunisation programmes for respiratory syncytial virus by the 2024/25 winter season, and when an implementation plan will be published.

†\***Lord Young of Cookham** to ask His Majesty's Government when they forecast they will reach their target of 300,000 new homes a year.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 11 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 15 January.*

†*It is expected that the Committee stage of the Automated Vehicles Bill [HL] will continue, and that it will conclude.*

## **Thursday 18 January 2024 at 11.00am**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Pitkeathley** to ask His Majesty's Government how they are planning to address current staffing levels in care homes, and any connected delayed discharges from hospital wards and the impact on NHS waiting times.

†\***Baroness Warwick of Undercliffe** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in designing and tendering for the new Private Rented Sector Ombudsman Service.

†\***Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the apology on 5 July 2021 by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office for the historic ban on LGBT people serving in the Diplomatic Service, whether they will take steps to ascertain how many staff were dismissed or forced to resign between 1967 and 1991 as a result of the ban; and whether they have considered compensation similar to that proposed by Lord Etherton's Independent Review into the service and experience of LGBT veterans who served prior to 2000, published in July 2023.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 12 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 16 January.*

**Lord Trees** to move that this House takes note of biosecurity, and the threat of infectious diseases for human, animal and plant health, in an age of globalisation and climate change.

†**Baroness Sheehan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of recent reports that global heating is likely to pass the 1.5-degree Celsius threshold this year, and how they intend to cooperate with international partners to mitigate the impacts of climate change. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

**The Earl of Kinnoull** to move that this House takes note of intergovernmental relations within the United Kingdom.

### ***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm***

**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. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the quality of religious education in schools. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to accelerate the adoption of new innovative vaccines by the National Immunisation Programme. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**Baroness Browning** to ask His Majesty's Government how they plan to create a parity of esteem between health and social care to address dementia. [1] *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

## Monday 22 January 2024 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask His Majesty's Government how they plan to support British innovators by tackling delays in getting regulatory approval for new products and services.

†\***The Lord Bishop of Gloucester** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the public's confidence in non-custodial sentences.

†\***Baroness Hayman of Ullock** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the timeliness and effectiveness of the implementation of their environmental policies.

†\***Baroness Gohir** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether Black, Asian and minority ethnic women are overrepresented in female domestic homicides; and what steps they are taking to safeguard them.

## Tuesday 23 January 2024 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Deech** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the speed and scope of the operation of the Freedom of Information scheme.

†\***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of people who have died while waiting for NHS hospital appointments in England in the past five years.

†\***Baroness Altmann** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to encourage UK pension investors to increase support for (1) long-term UK growth, and (2) UK financial markets.

## Wednesday 24 January 2024 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Beith** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with train operators about changes to the East Coast Mainline timetable in December 2023.

†\***Baroness Twycross** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of persistent absenteeism in English schools; and what steps they are taking to address it.

†\***Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the White Paper *International Development in a contested world* published in November 2023 (CP 975), what steps they are taking to achieve gender equality and the autonomy of all women and girls by 2030.

## Thursday 25 January 2024 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Drake** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment, if any, they have made of the accuracy of climate risk models used by (1) the Bank of England, (2) financial services firms, and (3) pension schemes.

†\***Lord Rennard** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards the ambition of creating a "smokefree" generation by 2030.

†\***Lord Fox** to ask His Majesty's Government what legal options, if any, they are exploring to seize any Russian central bank assets that are frozen in the United Kingdom's financial system and using such assets to fund the reconstruction of Ukraine.



## Monday 29 January 2024 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the analysis by Cancer Research UK projecting a £1 billion funding gap for cancer research.

†\***Lord Balfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken, or propose to take, following the publication in September 2023 of the review they commissioned from the Nuffield Council on Bioethics, *Disagreements in the care of critically ill children*.

†\***Lord Harris of Haringey** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect the new Emergency Services Network critical communications system to be fully operational; and what is the latest estimate of the cost.

†\***Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the *Royal Air Force Aerobatic Team Non-Statutory Inquiry Report*, and (2) the *Royal Air Force Aerobatic Team Command, Leadership and Management Report*, published on 1 November 2023, relating to historical allegations of unacceptable behaviour within the RAF Aerobatic Team.

## Tuesday 30 January 2024 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made since the United Kingdom re-joined Horizon Europe.

†\***Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the Household Support Fund; and what plans they have for (1) the future of the fund, and (2) the role of local crisis support generally.

†\***Lord Wood of Anfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what regulation they are planning in response to the findings of a recent investigation by the *Observer* that private equity firms' investments in children's care homes in England have doubled since 2018.

## Wednesday 31 January 2024 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increasing levels of homelessness among former armed forces personnel; and what steps they are taking to tackle homelessness among veterans.

†\***Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the number of suicides in prisons in England and Wales.

†\***Baroness Quin** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to meet representatives of small and medium-sized enterprises to discuss non-tariff barriers to trade between the United Kingdom and European Union.

## Thursday 1 February 2024 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to review the effect on public services of civil servants working from home.

†\***Earl Russell** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to increase the number of locally available and easily accessible green spaces.

†\***Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to require re-formulation of children's food and drink to reduce child obesity.

### **Monday 5 February 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to invest in NHS Fracture Liaison Services in England.

†\***Lord Best** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will implement their decision, announced in July 2022, to require all new homes to meet higher standards of accessibility.

†\***Lord Coaker** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the HMS Diamond shooting down a suspected attack drone over the Red Sea on 16 December 2023.

†\***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they expect to receive a report from the Cabinet Secretary on the arrangements for ensuring expenditure by the devolved authorities is spent in accordance with their competences, and if so when.

### **Tuesday 6 February 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of the £36 billion transport investment plan 'Network North' will be allocated to schemes outside the Northern region.

†\***Lord Bradley** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made on extending prescribing responsibilities to more allied health professionals. [1]

†\***Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government what additional measures they are planning in response to the news that the Met Office believes that 2023 was the second hottest year on record.

## Motions for Balloted Debate

*The ballot to select two motions for debate closed on Tuesday 9 January, to be drawn on Wednesday 10 January, for debate on Thursday 25 January. Combined time limit of 5 hours.*

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

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to move that this House takes note of the closure of high street banks and the need for a national network of banking hubs.

**Lord Greenhalgh** to move that this House takes note of the Government consultation response to the Fire Reform White Paper published on 12 December 2023 (CP 993), and the next steps for reforming fire and rescue services.

**Lord Lexden** to move that this House takes note of the state of policing in England.

**Lord Foster of Bath** to move that this House takes note of the impact of gambling advertising, marketing and sponsorship.

**Baroness Scott of Needham Market** to move that this House takes note of the Government's plans to support and promote the charity and voluntary sectors.

†**Baroness Barker** to move that this House takes note of the current level of provision for sexual and reproductive healthcare in England and the case for a workforce plan in this sector.

†**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to move that this House takes note of the Government's current policy on proscription of the Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.

†**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to move that this House takes note of the impact of conflict on children in the light of Save the Children's seventh annual report *Stop the War on Children: Let Children Live in Peace*.

†**Lord Sikka** to move that this House takes note of the case for reforming regulation of the auditing industry.

†**Lord Oates** to move that this House takes note of the work of the Youth Justice Board of England and Wales to reduce youth offending and support young people living productive lives, after 25 years in operation.

†**Baroness Taylor of Bolton** to move that this House takes note of the delivery of maternity services in England.

†**The Earl of Caithness** to move that this House takes note of the announcement of changes to the Sustainable Farming Incentive by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 4 January, and the case for including species management within the Environmental Land Management Scheme to support populations of endangered species and biodiversity in general.

†**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to move that this House takes note of the need for a school system fit for the modern age, preparing pupils for a healthy, productive life of continuous learning.

†**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to move that this House takes note of Articles 18 and 19 of the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the implications for UK policy.

†**Baroness Kidron** to move that this House takes note of warnings from global experts on the near-future impact of artificial intelligence on democracy, jobs and harms to human life and wellbeing.

†**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to move that this House takes note of the war in Sudan and the resulting humanitarian crisis.



## 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 2023*

**Lord Hollick** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Industry and Regulators Committee *Must do better: the Office for Students and the looming crisis facing higher education* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 246). *23 September 2023*

**Baroness Brown of Cambridge** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *The neglected pollutants: the effects of artificial light and noise on human health* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 232). *19 December 2023*

**Lord Moylan** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Built Environment Committee *The impact of environmental regulations on development* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 254). *21 September 2023*

## Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to move that this House regrets that the explanatory memorandum (EM) accompanying 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, fails to provide sufficient evidence to justify this delay, and endorses the recommendation of the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee that the Government should replace the EM “with one that is fit for purpose”. *55th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2022–23*

**Lord Berkeley** to move that 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*

## Questions for Short Debate

*These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 13 December 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 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.

**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.

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to respond to the report by The Children’s Society, *The Good Childhood Report 2023*, published in September 2023.

**Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they will take steps to devolve responsibility for the Crown Estates in Wales to Senedd Cymru.

**The Lord Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to promote the welfare of armed forces service personnel and their families.

**Baroness Scott of Needham Market** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support and promote the charity and voluntary sectors.

**Lord Popat** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to (1) raise awareness among United Kingdom businesses of commercial opportunities in African markets, and (2) support United Kingdom exports to Africa.

**Lord Knight of Weymouth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the latest statistics for initial teacher training in England, published in the Initial Teacher Training Census on 7 December, which showed a current shortage of teachers; and what steps they are taking in response.

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce the volume of sugar added to food and to encourage producers to reformulate it with healthier alternatives.

**Lord Oates** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the contribution of foreign nationals to the NHS and social care services.

**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.

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to publish a social care workforce plan to complement the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan.

**Lord Wolfson of Aspley Guise** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase the supply and improve the quality of homes; whilst ensuring that development does not adversely affect existing communities.

**Baroness Sheehan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of progress in reducing the routine flaring and venting of methane from oil and gas installations in the North Sea.

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to review the performance and remit of Ofsted, and the delivery of inspection reports.

### **Questions for Short Debate ballot entries**

*The ballot for four Questions closes at 5pm on Tuesday 6 February and will be drawn on Wednesday 7 February for debate on Thursday 29 February. Time limit 1 hour.*

**Baroness Coussins** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the importance of educational trips and exchanges from the United Kingdom to other countries, and the measures needed to facilitate such trips. (*Home Office*)

**Baroness D'Souza** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to counter China's stated intentions, and actions, to reclaim Taiwan. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

†**Baroness Barker** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current level of provision for sexual and reproductive healthcare in England and the case for a workforce plan in this sector. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

†**Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty's Government, following COP 28, what progress they have made to support islands which are potentially seriously affected by climate change, and safeguard the legal status of those islands. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 19 December 2023 and due for answer by 5 January.*

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports of torture and fatalities of pro-democracy activists in Burma. HL1312

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of estimates by Burma Campaign UK that 26,000 people have been arrested by the military since the coup at the start of 2021, and that 20,00 political prisoners are currently in jail in Burma. HL1313

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government when they last raised the treatment of pro-democracy advocates in Burma at the United Nations, and when they intend to do so again; and what discussions they have had with the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court or with the Members of the International Court of Justice to ensure that members of the Burmese military who are responsible for torture, sexual violence, and killings are brought to justice. HL1314

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks made by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 18 December 2023 (HL Deb cols 2046-2049) how many members of the Hazara community targeted by the Taliban and IS-K in Afghanistan have been resettled to the UK under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy or the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme. HL1315

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to remarks by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 18 December 2023 (HL Deb cols 2046–2049), how they are assisting former Afghan soldiers who were trained by the UK and worked with British forces, particularly those now facing the risk of being sent back to Afghanistan from Pakistan; and what discussions they have had with their Pakistan counterparts to ensure their safe passage and sanctuary. HL1316

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to remarks by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 18 December 2023 (HL Deb cols 2046–2049), what plans they have to respond to the recommendations of the Hazara Inquiry report, published in September 2022, and which of its recommendations, if any, they plan to take forward. HL1317

**Earl Attlee** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Vere of Norbiton on 30 November 2023 (HL457), what assessment they have made of whether the Financial Conduct Authority can have confidence that lenders are correctly charging the advertised Annual Percentage Rates (APR) if they do not undertake spot checks. HL1318

**Earl Attlee** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Vere of Norbiton on 30 November 2023 (HL457), what assessment they have made of the ability of the average borrower to compare the representative Annual Percentage Rates (APR) with the actual APR offered in the pre-contract information required to be given under the Consumer Credit Act 1974. HL1319

**Earl Attlee** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 19 December 2023 (HL856), what is the average annual salary of a minister of the crown in the House of Lords, including unpaid ministers and excluding accommodation and travel allowances. HL1320

**Lord Balfre** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to earmark funds to support Ukraine in the period after the cessation of hostilities. HL1321

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have gathered data on the prevalence of e-bikers exceeding the speed limit of 15.5 miles per hour in urban areas; and if so, whether they will publish them. HL1322

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 19 December 2023 (HL858), whether they have reviewed the account by Dame Kate Bingham in *The Long Shot* of her experience of government and other supervision whilst she was Chair of the UK Vaccine Taskforce; and what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of the framework of project supervision in respect of the work of that Taskforce. HL1323

**Lord Blencathra** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with international partners about taking action against the Houthi war capability in the Red Sea. HL1324

**Lord Blencathra** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with international partners about taking action against Houthi missile sites in Yemen. HL1325

**Lord Blencathra** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to lay the regulations on forest risk commodities; and if the regulations will subject to affirmative procedure. HL1326

**Lord Blencathra** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to issue new guidance concerning trans people in hospitals; if so, when; and whether patients who are biologically male will be placed on wards with those who are biologically females. HL1327

**Lord Blencathra** to ask His Majesty's Government why the UK did not vote against the UN Security Council resolution calling for a ceasefire in Gaza on 8 December 2023. HL1328

**Lord Cruddas** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they provide to UK businesses so that, in the process of meeting their environmental, social and governance obligations, they are still able to meet their core business objectives. HL1329

**Lord Dodds of Duncairn** to ask His Majesty's Government how many approvals have been sought from the European Commission for state aid in Northern Ireland since the coming into force of the Northern Ireland Protocol; what are these approvals; and what estimate they have made of the total amount of funds for which approval has been sought. HL1330

**Lord Empey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the electricity and gas tariffs for both residential and business customers throughout the UK; and whether these respective tariffs are contributing to a lack of competitiveness of the UK against its major international competitors. HL1331

**Lord Empey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of regulatory frameworks for electricity and gas throughout the UK. HL1332

**Lord Empey** to ask His Majesty's Government what specific changes to the Windsor Framework they have negotiated with the European Union; and when they will be applicable. HL1333

**Lord Evans of Weardale** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 4 July 2023 (HL Deb col 1125), what progress they have made on the consultation on enhancing information sharing. HL1334

**Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the need to refurbish or reconstruct Eastbourne District General Hospital. HL1335

**Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government what funds they have made available for the reconstruction or refurbishment of Eastbourne General District Hospital. HL1336

**Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government when they anticipate works will commence on the refurbishment or reconstruction of the Eastbourne District General Hospital. HL1337

**Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have undertaken any preparatory work proceeding any planned refurbishment or reconstruction of Eastbourne General District Hospital. HL1338

**Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the number of suicides in prison. HL1339

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the quality of locally led provision of NHS wheelchair services throughout the country. HL1340

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to encourage NHS bodies and local authorities in each integrated care board area to pool budgets and integrate wheelchair services. HL1341

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Wheelchair Alliance report *The Value of a Wheelchair*, published in December 2023, whether they will undertake a review of current investment levels in wheelchair services to ensure that demand and demographic changes are taken fully into account. HL1342

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to re-engage people back into HIV care who have been lost to follow up. HL1343

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking (1) to ensure provision of mental health services for people living with HIV, and (2) to ensure there are effective referral pathways between HIV clinics and NHS Talking Therapies. HL1344

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to expand provision of HIV peer support in all areas of England. HL1345

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Penn on 23 November 2023 (HL173), what mechanisms are available to members of the House of Lords to encourage, via an arm's length publicly funded body, development of land which has been historically identified and allocated for such a purpose, such as that at Great Kyne in Peterborough. HL1346

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the value of the logistics sector to the economy. HL1347

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on the economy of any decline in the UK's ranking in the World Bank's Logistics Performance Index. HL1348

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what is the current status of the Dashboard of Retained EU Law, with particular reference to those instruments (1) to be revoked, or (2) subject to sunset, by 31 December 2023. HL1349

**Baroness Merron** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the risk of being pressured into showing confidential medical records on the NHS App to third parties faced by (1) patients requesting covert contraception forbidden in their home or relationship, (2) patients who are suffering domestic abuse, and (3) other vulnerable groups including the elderly. HL1350

**Baroness Merron** to ask His Majesty's Government what advice is being provided to domestic abuse survivors and other at-risk groups about medical apps they have downloaded on their devices. HL1351

**Baroness Merron** to ask His Majesty's Government whether any concerns about risk to personal safety and security have been identified by the expert safeguarding group reviewing the implementation of NHS App. HL1352

**Baroness Merron** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration has been given to making it simpler to switch off access to patient health records through the NHS app, particularly for vulnerable groups. HL1353



**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty’s Government which English local authorities filed section 114 notices of bankruptcy in (1) 2022, and (2) 2023. HL1354

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty’s Government what estimate they have made of the cost of providing advice to English local authorities seeking to avoid bankruptcies in 2023. HL1355

**Lord Ravensdale** to ask His Majesty’s Government how much of their overseas aid budget is spent directly on climate mitigation and adaptation; and how much of that is spent or allocated to countries in (1) Africa, (2) the Middle East, and (3) South Asia. HL1356

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 22 November 2023 (HL136), whether they received representations from businesses and business groups that they would need all the information to prepare for the Border Target Operating Model at least six months or a year before implementation. HL1357

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 23 November 2023 (HL180), whether they plan to publish an assessment of the state of readiness of (1) the UK, and (2) EU member states, for the implementation of the Border Target Operating Model. HL1358

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 23 November 2023 (HL180), what potential risks have been identified as a result of the Government’s monitoring. HL1359

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 23 November 2023 (HL180), what “appropriate contingencies” are under consideration to be deployed by (1) importers, and (2) the Government. HL1360

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 23 November 2023 (HL180), what are the timescales for commencing operational testing with users of the border before changes are implemented; how users will be identified and selected to undertake the operational testing; and how they will ensure that the users are representative of the logistics industry. HL1361

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Neville-Rolfe on 23 November 2023 (HL180), whether they have undertaken an assessment of whether the Sevington border facility will have the required capacity for physical checks from 30 April 2024. HL1362

**The Earl of Shrewsbury** to ask His Majesty’s Government what discussions the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care has had with the Home Office concerning the rollout of markers on the medical notes of firearm certificate holders. HL1363

**The Earl of Shrewsbury** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they will publish data on how many doctors have adopted the software for markers on the medical notes of firearm certificate holders. HL1364

**The Lord Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the remarks by Baroness Barran on 19 December 2023, what consideration they have given to expediting the introduction of a statutory register of children schooled at home and online, given the rise in those numbers, in order to identify children (1) who are at risk, or (2) who have unmet needs. HL1365

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to address the rise in homelessness. HL1366

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the new carbon import levy scheduled for 2027 (1) balances the protection of domestic businesses against cheaper imports; and (2) fosters international cooperation to address global emissions. HL1367



**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to (1) mitigate pay gaps, and (2) promote fair compensation practices, within large companies. HL1368

**Lord Warner** to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of acute hospital trusts in England regularly conduct NHS operations on (1) Saturdays, and (2) Sundays; and whether this information is able to be published so that patients may exercise choice. HL1369

**Viscount Waverley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the level of utilisation of lorry parking at on-site facilities. HL1370

**Viscount Waverley** to ask His Majesty's Government what forecasts they have made of the level of utilisation of lorry parking at on-site facilities for each year up to 2030. HL1371

**Viscount Waverley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the relationship between the quantity and quality of lorry parking facilities and the (1) number, and (2) diversity, of lorry drivers. HL1372

**Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty's Government what are the latest employment activity rates for (1) each region of England, (2) England, (3) Wales, (4) Scotland, and (5) Northern Ireland. HL1373

**Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty's Government how many schools in England currently have safety issues relating to asbestos, and by what date they expect all such asbestos to be removed. HL1374

**Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with Welsh Ministers and officials of the Welsh Government concerning the implications of the Victims and Prisoners Bill for the devolution settlement. HL1375

**Baroness Wolf of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Barran on 12 December 2023 (HL688), how many apprenticeship completions were recorded on the Senior Leadership route in 2022–23. HL1376

**Baroness Wolf of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 15 December 2023 (HL453), whether their planning scenarios specifically include (1) a respiratory pandemic that creates greater demand for critical care than the COVID-19 pandemic, and (2) a respiratory pandemic that affects a different demographic, in particular one that disproportionately affects children and babies. HL1377

**Baroness Wolf of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 15 December 2023 (HL453), why they have decided to abolish the COVID Strategic Intensive Care Unit Reserve in March 2024 when they have not yet completed their preparation for a range of pandemic and emerging infectious disease scenarios. HL1378

**Baroness Wolf of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 15 December 2023 (HL453), why they have decided to abolish the COVID Strategic Intensive Care Unit Reserve in March 2024 when they have not yet completed their preparation for a range of pandemic and emerging infectious disease scenarios. HL1379

**Baroness Wolf of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government how many apprenticeship starts at level 6 were for legal, finance and accounting in 2021–22 and 2022–23; how many of these apprentices were employed in levy-paying organisations; and how many there were in each region. HL1380

## 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.*

### **6 December 2023** (20 December 2023)

HL934 Lord Jackson of Peterborough [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL942 Baroness Randerson [Department for Business and Trade]

### **11 December 2023** (27 December 2023)

HL1040 Lord Berkeley [Home Office]

HL1047 Lord Clement-Jones [Home Office]

HL1048 Lord Clement-Jones [Home Office]

HL1051 Lord Clement-Jones [Home Office]

HL1058 Baroness Hoey [Home Office]

HL1059 Baroness Hoey [Home Office]

HL1060 Baroness Hoey [Home Office]

HL1074 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Education]

HL1075 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Education]

HL1076 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Education]

### **12 December 2023** (28 December 2023)

HL1100 Lord Hacking [Home Office]

HL1101 Lord Hacking [Home Office]

HL1118 Baroness Scott of Needham Market [Department for Education]

HL1129 Lord Weir of Ballyholme [Home Office]

### **13 December 2023** (29 December 2023)

HL1144 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL1169 Lord Roberts of Llandudno [Home Office]

HL1170 Lord Roberts of Llandudno [Home Office]

### **18 December 2023** (4 January)

HL1252 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Home Office]

HL1281 Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb [Home Office]

### **19 December 2023** (5 January)

HL1315 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Home Office]

HL1322 Lord Birt [Home Office]

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

Business and Trade (1)

Education (4)

Health and Social Care (2)

Home Office (16)

**Bills in Progress**

	<b>Type of Bill</b>	<b>To be considered</b>
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
Conversion Therapy Prohibition (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Succession to Peerages and Baronetcies Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	
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	
At-Home Early Medical Abortion (Review) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asylum Application (Entry to the United Kingdom) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Ecocide Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Wheelchair Access Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Genocide Determination Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Heritage Trees Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Status of Workers Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Disestablishment of the Church of England Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Service (Integrity and Ethics) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Abortion (Gestational Time Limit Reduction) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Still-Birth (Definition) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Arbitration Bill [HL] ( <i>Law Commission Bill</i> ) ( <i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
Post Office (Horizon System) Compensation Bill ( <i>Money Bill—19 December</i> )	Government	
<b>Committed to a Select Committee</b>		
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
<b>Committed to a Grand Committee</b>		
Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill ( <i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
Data Protection and Digital Information Bill ( <i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	

**Committed to a Committee of the Whole House**

Automated Vehicles Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	10 January
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Victims and Prisoners Bill ( <i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
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**Waiting for Report**

Pedicabs (London) Bill [HL]	Government	
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Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
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Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	16 January
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**Sent to the Commons**

Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	
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**Measures in Progress****Waiting for Affirmative Resolution**

Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure

Church of England Pensions (Application of Capital Funds) Measure

**Statutory Instruments in Progress****Affirmative Instruments waiting for consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments**

Draft Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023

Draft Waste Enforcement (Fixed Penalty Receipts) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023

Draft National Crime Agency (Directed Tasking) Order 2023

Draft Carer's Leave Regulations 2024

Draft Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) Order 2017 (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Combined Authorities (Mayors) Filling of Vacancies Order 2017 (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Prescription of Non-Domestic Rating Multipliers) (England) Regulations 2023

Draft Maternity Leave, Adoption Leave and Shared Parental Leave (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Post Office Network Subsidy Scheme (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Representation of the People (Postal and Proxy Voting etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Iran (Sanctions) Regulations 2023

Draft Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024

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Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2023

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2023

Draft Animal Welfare (Primate Licences) (England) Regulations 2023

Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Collective Money Purchase Schemes) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Specified Diseases and Prescribed Occupations) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Electoral Commission Strategy and Policy Statement

Civil Procedure (Amendment No. 4) Rules 2023

Draft East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024

Draft European Organization for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere and the European Space Agency (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 2023

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Limited Liability Partnerships (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024

Draft Principal Office Address (Rectification of Register) Regulations 2024

Draft Registered Office Address (Rectification of Register) Regulations 2024

Draft Service Address (Rectification of Register) Regulations 2024

Draft Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (Pension Scheme Amendment) Regulations 2024

### **Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution**

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 Judicial Pensions (Remediable Service etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *(10 January)*

Draft Employment Tribunals and Employment Appeal Tribunal (Composition of Tribunal) Regulations 2023 *(10 January)*

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

Draft Immigration Act 2014 (Residential Accommodation) (Maximum Penalty) Order 2023 *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (16 January)*

Draft Immigration (Employment of Adults Subject to Immigration Control) (Maximum Penalty) (Amendment) Order 2023 *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (16 January)*

Draft Data Reporting Services Regulations 2023 *7th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (10 January)*

Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) Order 2024 *7th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (16 January)*

Draft Public Offers and Admissions to Trading Regulations 2023 *7th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (16 January)*

Draft Securitisation Regulations 2023 *7th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (10 January)*

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

Draft Online Safety (List of Overseas Regulators) Regulations 2024 *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (16 January)*

Draft Biodiversity Gain Site Register (Financial Penalties and Fees) Regulations 2024 *(10 January)*

Draft Biodiversity Gain (Town and Country Planning) (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024 *(10 January)*

Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 *(10 January)*

Draft Financial Services Act 2021 (Overseas Funds Regime and Recognition of Parts of Schemes) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations 2024

Draft Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 (Automatic Online Conviction and Standard Statutory Penalty) (Specification of Offences and Penalties) Regulations 2024

Draft Wine (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (16 January)*

### **Negative Instruments**

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*

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

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

Draft Data Protection and Journalism Code of Practice 2023 *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 20 January*

Universal Credit (Transitional Provisions) (Amendment Regulations) 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 5th Report. Praying time ends 19 January*

Immigration Act 2014 (Commencement No. 9) and Immigration Act 2014 (Commencement No. 8) (Revocation) Order 2023 *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 18 January*

National Security Act 2023 (Prevention and Investigation Measures) (Polygraph) Regulations 2023 *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 19 January*

Adoption Support Agencies (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 24 January*

Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Panel Remuneration and Reports) Regulations 2023 *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 25 January*

Public Interest Merger Reference (Telegraph Media Group Ltd) (Pre-emptive Action) Order 2023 *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 28 January*



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Branded Health Services Medicines (Costs) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 31 January 2024*

Code of Practice (Reasonable Steps for Trade Unions) Order 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 3 February 2024*

Misuse of Drugs (England and Wales and Scotland) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 February 2024*

Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) (Risk Margin) Regulations 2023 and Insurance *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 February 2024*

Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) Regulations 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 February 2024*

### **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*

### **Treaties before the House**

#### **Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee**

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Rwanda for the Provision of an Asylum Partnership Agreement to Strengthen Shared International Commitments on the Protection of Refugees and Migrants *Scrutiny period expires: 30 January*

Amendment to the Agreement Establishing the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development *Scrutiny period expires: 8 February*

#### **Treaties considered by a Select Committee**

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

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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 12 December. Scrutiny period expires: 17 January*

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) *Reported by the International Agreements Committee on 19 December. Scrutiny period expires: 9 January*

### **Retirement**

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

Lord Plant of Highfield (28 February)

## COMMITTEES

### Committees

*Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.*

#### **Wednesday 10 January**

Environment and Climate Change Committee	Archbishops' Room, Millbank House	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room G-32, Millbank House	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	2.45pm
Public Services Committee	Room 4	3.00pm
Windsor Framework Sub-Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Built Environment Committee	Room 2	4.00pm
Parliamentary Works Estimates Commission	Room 15	4.30pm

#### **Monday 15 January**

Finance Bill Sub-Committee	Room 2A	4.00pm
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#### **Tuesday 16 January**

Science and Technology Committee		9.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.15am
Communications and Digital Committee		2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee		3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 2A	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 1-15, Millbank House	4.00pm

#### **Wednesday 17 January**

Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Finance Committee	Room 2A	3.45pm

#### **Wednesday 24 January**

Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm
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#### **Thursday 25 January**

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.15pm
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#### **Tuesday 30 January**

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee	Room 2A	3.00pm
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#### **Wednesday 31 January**

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
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#### **Monday 5 February**

Restoration and Renewal Client Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	5.00pm
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#### **Thursday 8 February**

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 4A	12.30pm
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## Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday 19 December 2023

*The House met at 11.00am.*

*Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham.*

### 1 Ecclesiastical Committee

Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure  
Church of England Pensions (Application of Capital Funds) Measure

The Measures, and the 245th report of the Ecclesiastical Committee, were laid before the House under section 4 of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919. The Measures and the report were ordered to be printed. (HL Papers 33, 34 and 35)

### Select Committee Reports

#### 2 Secondary Legislation Scrutiny

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

Correspondence: From DHSC on the Food (Promotion and Placement) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023.

Includes information paragraphs on:

Draft Data Reporting Services Regulations 2023 and two linked instruments

Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Wine (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024

Branded Health Service Medicines (Costs) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023

Code of Practice (Reasonable Steps for Trade Unions) Order 2023

Misuse of Drugs (England and Wales and Scotland) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023

Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) (Risk Margin) Regulations 2023 and Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) Regulations 2023 (linked). (7th Report, HL Paper 36)

#### 3 International Agreements

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

Scrutiny of international agreements: Protocol V to the Conventional Weapons Convention on Explosive Remnants of War. (3rd Report, HL Paper 37)

### Public Business

**4 Home and online schooling** A question was asked by Baroness Gohir and answered by Baroness Barran.

**5 NHS app: confidential medical records** A question was asked by Lord Allan of Hallam and answered by Lord Markham.

**6 Conduct of Employment Agencies and Employment Businesses (Amendment) Regulations 2022** A question was asked by Lord Balfe and answered by Lord Offord of Garvel.

**7 Minister for disabled people** A question was asked by Baroness Brinton and answered by Baroness Neville-Rolfe.

**8 Equality Act 2010 (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Baroness Barran moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 November 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to.

**9 Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment) Regulations 2023** Lord Johnson of Lainston moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 16 October 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

**10 Employment Rights (Amendment, Revocation and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2023** Lord Johnson of Lainston moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 November 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

**11 Hydrogen Production Revenue Support (Directions, Eligibility and Counterparty) Regulations 2023** Lord Roborough, on behalf of Lord Callanan, moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 8 November 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to.

**12 Trade Union (Deduction of Union Subscriptions from Wages in the Public Sector) Regulations 2023** Baroness Neville-Rolfe moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 9 November 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to.

**13 Child Support (Management of Payments and Arrears and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2023** Lord Evans of Rainow, on behalf of Viscount Younger of Leckie, moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 13 November 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to.

**14 Higher-Risk Buildings (Keeping and Provision of Information etc.) (England) Regulations 2023** Lord Gascoigne moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 9 November 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to.

**15 Trial of Jimmy Lai** Lord Benyon answered questions on an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Monday 18 December.

**16 Data Protection and Digital Information Bill** Viscount Camrose moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the motion was agreed to. Then Viscount Camrose 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 5	Clauses 52 to 117
Schedule 1	Schedule 10
Clause 6	Clauses 118 to 128
Schedule 2	Schedule 11
Clauses 7 to 14	Clauses 129 to 137
Schedule 3	Schedule 12
Clauses 15 to 24	Clause 138
Schedule 4	Schedule 13
Clause 25	Clauses 139 to 142
Schedules 5 to 7	Schedule 14
Clauses 26 to 46	Clause 143
Schedule 8	Schedule 15
Clauses 47 to 51	Clauses 144 to 157
Schedule 9	Title.

The motion was agreed to.

**17 Arbitration Bill [HL]** The Second Reading Committee reported that it had considered the bill.

**18 Israel and Gaza** Lord Benyon repeated as a statement the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons.

**19 Infected blood inquiry: Government response** Baroness Neville-Rolfe repeated a statement made in the House of Commons on Monday 18 December.

20 **Tackling spiking** Lord Sharpe of Epsom answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Monday 18 December.

21 **Global Combat Air Programme Treaty** The Earl of Minto answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Monday 18 December.

22 **Post Office (Horizon System) Compensation Bill** A bill to provide for the payment out of money provided by Parliament of expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State under, or in connection with, schemes or other arrangements to compensate persons affected by the Horizon system and in respect of other matters identified in legal proceedings relating to the Horizon system, certified by the Speaker as a money bill, was brought from the Commons. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 37)

23 **Post Office (Horizon System) Compensation Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 37–EN)

24 **LGBT veterans independent review** The Earl of Minto answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Wednesday 13 December.

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

*The House adjourned at 6.19pm until Wednesday 10 January at 3.00pm.*

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

### **Second Reading Committee Business**

*The Second Reading Committee met in the Moses Room at 1.00pm.*

**Arbitration Bill [HL]** Lord Bellamy moved that the Second Reading Committee do consider the Arbitration Bill [HL]. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

*The Committee adjourned at 2.32pm.*

## Papers

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

### Affirmative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House for approval by resolution:

- 1 Draft Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (Pension Scheme Amendment) Regulations 2024

### Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (1404)
- 2 Dangerous Dogs (Exemption Schemes and Miscellaneous Provisions) (England and Wales) Order 2023 (1407)
- 3 Register of Overseas Entities (Verification and Exceptions) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (1416)
- 4 Draft Dudley (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (—)
- 5 Draft North Northamptonshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (—)

### Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Contracts for Difference and Capacity Market Scheme Update 2023
- 2 Report and Accounts of NHS Business Services Authority 2022–23
- 3 Report and Accounts of the Geffrye Museum Trust 2022–23
- 4 Report of the Chief Coroner to the Lord Chancellor for 2021 and 2022
- 5 Report on progress in Government-funded research and development work relating to assistive technology 2022–23





