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TODAY'S LISTS
THURSDAY 25 JANUARY 2024

[Notes about this document are set out at the end]

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

Prayers by the Bishop of Gloucester (5 minutes)

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. **(Baroness Vere of Norbiton, HMT)**
- * Lord Rennard to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards the ambition of creating a "smokefree" generation by 2030. **(Lord Markham, DHSC)**
- * 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. **(Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon, FCDO)**
- * Baroness Chakrabarti to ask His Majesty's Government, following further airstrikes by the United Kingdom and United States against Houthis in Yemen, in what circumstances Parliament should be consulted before military interventions overseas. **(Lord True, LHoL)**

Main Business

Baroness Taylor of Bolton to move that this House takes note of the delivery of maternity services in England. *(Time-limited to 3 hours)*

Speakers:

B Taylor of Bolton

B Cumberlege

B Warwick of Undercliffe

L Patel

5 B Armstrong of Hill Top

B Watkins of Tavistock

B Donaghy

B Gohir
B Bennett of Manor Castle
10 B Thornton
B Bull

L Allan of Hallam
B Merron
L Markham
15 B Taylor of Bolton

Except for Baroness Taylor of Bolton (15 minutes), Lord Allan of Hallam (10 minutes), Baroness Merron (10 minutes) and Lord Markham (20 minutes), all speeches are limited to 12 minutes

Topical Question for Short Debate

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the closure of high street banks on local communities, and the need for a national network of banking hubs. (Time-limited to 1 hour)

Speakers:

B Tyler of Enfield
L Rogan
Bp Norwich

B Kramer
5 L Livermore
B Vere of Norbiton

Except for Baroness Tyler of Enfield (10 minutes) and Baroness Vere of Norbiton (12 minutes), all speeches are limited to 9 minutes.

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.

(Time limited to 2 hours)

Speakers:

E Caithness

B Bennett of Manor Castle

L Robathan

Bp Norwich

5 L Sewell of Sanderstead

B Bakewell of Hardington Mandeville

B Hayman of Ullock

L Douglas-Miller

E Caithness

Except for The Earl of Caithness (15 minutes) and Lord Douglas-Miller (20 minutes), all speeches are limited to 14 minutes

Estimated rising time

The House is expected to rise at around 5.30pm.

Notes:

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