

Wednesday 6 March 2024 at 3.00pm*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Earl Russell** to ask His Majesty's Government whether it remains their policy for 600,000 heat pumps to be installed per year by 2028; and, if so, what actions they are taking to achieve this goal.

***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to report to Parliament on the benefits that leaving the European Union has brought to the United Kingdom's economy and society in the past four years; and if so, when.

***Baroness Berridge** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to recognise the work of criminal jurors and, in particular, whether they plan to introduce an 'appreciation day' for them.

***Lord Browne of Ladyton** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the release on 29 February of 13 reports produced by the former Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration, and their findings in particular with regard to the conduct of staff responsible for unaccompanied refugee children in Kent.

†*Lord Douglas-Miller intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.*

†**Waste Enforcement (Fixed Penalty Receipts) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023** Lord Douglas-Miller to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 10 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March. 13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Lord Douglas-Miller to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 17 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March*

†*Lord Johnson of Lainston intends to move the following four motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately to the extent desired.*

†**Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Lord Johnson of Lainston to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 22 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March. 12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Renewables Obligation (Amendment) (Energy Intensive Industries) Order 2024** Lord Johnson of Lainston to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 23 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March. 12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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



†**Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024** Lord Johnson of Lainston to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 22 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March. 12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Electricity Capacity (Supplier Payment etc.) (Amendment and Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2024** Lord Johnson of Lainston to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 22 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March. 12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†*Lord Sharpe of Epsom intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.*

†**Data Protection Act 2018 (Amendment of Schedule 2 Exemptions) Regulations 2024** Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 31 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March. 13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Remedial) Order 2023** Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 18 October 2023 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 5 March. 1st Report from the Joint Committee on Human Rights*

Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill Report (day 2) [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *2nd Report from the Joint Committee on Human Rights, 3rd Report from the Constitution Committee*

Future Business

Thursday 7 March 2024 at 11.00am

***Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to implementing a form of military national service. *Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Lord Berkeley** to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker what discussions he has had in the past year on plans to remove through-traffic from Old Palace Yard to improve safety and the environment.

***Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the work of the Environment Agency in protecting public health and the environment.

†***Lord Bellingham** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to revise the Zimbabwe sanctions regime in the light of the recent announcement by the government of the United States that it will adjust and tighten its sanctions.

The Senior Deputy Speaker intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.

Justice and Home Affairs The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Lord Bach be appointed a member of the Select Committee, in place of Lord Berkeley.

Preterm Birth The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Baroness Blackstone be appointed a member of the Select Committee.

†**Lord Blunkett** to move that this House takes note of the contribution of higher education to national growth, productivity and levelling-up. *(3 hours)*

†**Baroness Armstrong of Hill Top** to move that this House takes note of the case for local regeneration of former industrial areas across the whole United Kingdom, and the challenges constraining such regeneration, including in relation to local government. *(2 hours)*

Friday 8 March 2024 at 10.00am

Baroness Barran to move that this House takes note of International Women's Day and the steps taken to promote the economic inclusion of women.

Monday 11 March 2024 at 2.30pm

Franck Petitgas, and

Stuart Marks will be introduced as Barons.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report of the Academy of Medical Sciences *Prioritising early childhood to promote the nation's health, wellbeing and prosperity*, published on 5 February, particularly regarding children under 5.

***Lord West of Spithead** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan on 809 Naval Air Squadron being fully operational with full complement of aircraft.

***Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to appoint a senior lawyer to review the seven allegations against Sir Edward Heath left unresolved at the end of Operation Conifer in 2017.

***Lord Harris of Haringey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the adequacy of the powers and resources of the Regulator of Community Interest Companies.

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

Tuesday 12 March 2024 at 2.30pm

Sydney Booth, and

John Fuller OBE will be introduced as Barons.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Pitkeathley** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to develop a national strategy for carers to take account of the needs of unpaid carers.

***Baroness Hayman of Ullock** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will lay the forest risk commodity regulations under Schedule 17 to the Environment Act 2021 to prevent the importing of goods responsible for illegal deforestation, and what consideration they have given to the merits of widening the scope to include all deforestation.

***Baroness Young of Old Scone** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to make progress on the delayed land use framework for England, when it will be published, and whether it will be subject to consultation.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 6 March, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 8 March.*

Four questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs (40 minutes). Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Thursday 7 March.

†**Victims and Prisoners Bill** Committee (day 7) [Lord Bellamy] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 7th Report from the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee, 1st Report from the Constitution Committee*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

†**Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Barran]

†**Social Housing (Regulation) Act 2023 (Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Scott of Bybrook]

†**Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Callanan] *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**National Minimum Wage (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Offord of Garvel]

Wednesday 13 March 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Boycott** to ask His Majesty's Government what evidence they have that power generation from biomass is (1) good value for the taxpayer, (2) not leading to forest degradation in other countries, and (3) compatible with reaching net zero emissions by 2050.

***Lord Robathan** to ask His Majesty's Government what initial assessment they have made of the costs and benefits of the enforced lockdowns during the COVID-19 epidemic from March 2020.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Scottish Government regarding any activities it is undertaking that fall outwith its devolved competences.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 7 March, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 9 March.*

†*It is expected that the Report stage of the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill will continue, and that it will conclude*

†**West Midlands Combined Authority (Transfer of Police and Crime Commissioner Functions) Order 2024** Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 7 February be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 15th Report (Dinner break business)*

†**Lord Bach** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert "but this House regrets that the draft Order entails the transfer of power being completed without the consent of other relevant local authorities, and without the consent of the people of the West Midlands through a vote; and notes that the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee concluded that the public consultation required by law was not commenced before an initial decision was made."

Thursday 14 March 2024 at 11.00am

Gerald Shamash will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Rawlings** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are providing to help protect telecommunication cables in the Red Sea.

***Lord McColl of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to introduce training for the Royal Navy on climate change.

***Baroness D'Souza** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reported threats to democratic freedoms in India.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 8 March, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 12 March.*

†**Lord McInnes of Kilwinning** to move that this House takes note of the case for strengthening and safeguarding the union of the United Kingdom. [I]

†**Lord McNally** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the regulation of news broadcasting companies. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

†**Lord Young of Cookham** to move that this House takes note of the housing needs of young people.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

†**Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Bill** Committee [Lord Douglas-Miller] *Scottish Legislative Consent granted, Welsh Legislative Consent sought*

Monday 18 March 2024 at 2.30pm

Charles Banner KC, and

James Jamieson OBE will be introduced as Barons.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to promote the use of human-specific medical research techniques, such as 'organ-on-a-chip' and computer modelling, in place of animal testing.

***Lord Leong** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent assessment they have made of the impact of the closure of the UK Tradeshaw Programme on the ability of small and medium-sized enterprises to export to new markets.

***Earl Attlee** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the cost to public funds of bringing prison officer pension age into line with that of firefighters, the police and armed services.

***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made any assessment of the contribution of independent schools to the education sector. [I]

Tuesday 19 March 2024 at 2.30pm

John Hannett OBE will be introduced as a Baron, and

Jane Ramsey will be introduced as a Baroness.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Viscount Hanworth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assistance they provide to the developers of advanced modular reactors to enable them to conduct criticality tests.

***Lord Touhig** to ask His Majesty's Government how often they review the level of support given in schools to special needs pupils.

***Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with providers of electronic point-of-sale payment devices to make them accessible for those with a visual impairment, such as via tactile keypad.

Wednesday 20 March 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Twycross** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the availability of additional funded childcare provision, ahead of the expansion of the free childcare scheme in April.

***Baroness Bloomfield of Hinton Waldrist** to ask His Majesty's Government whether a fully funded delivery plan has been agreed in relation to NHS England's proposal to relocate children's cancer services away from The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust to other providers across London. [1]

***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the audit arrangements for the Teesworks project, and of whether they are effective for the scale of the work being carried out.

Thursday 21 March 2024 at 11.00am

The Hon Rosamond Monckton MBE, and

Carmen Smith will be introduced as Baronesses.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***The Lord Bishop of Manchester** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of ending the Household Support Fund on children's bed poverty.

***Lord Sahota** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the enforcement of national minimum wage legislation.

***Lord Cashman** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to have implemented Lord Etherton recommendations on financial redress in the LGBT veterans independent review.

Monday 25 March 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Dubs** to ask His Majesty's Government how many asylum claims are currently waiting to be determined.

***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government when the revised version of the Cabinet Manual will be published.

***Baroness Cumberlege** to ask His Majesty's Government what are the timescales for, and what progress has been made on, a response to the Patient Safety Commissioner's report on options for redress for those harmed by sodium valproate and pelvic mesh, published on 7 February.

***Baroness Randerson** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are taking steps to change train operating company contracts to achieve planned improvements to rail services.

Tuesday 26 March 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to require credit card issuers to provide a full description of goods or services provided on their customer invoices.

***Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to improve food security.

***Lord Trefgarne** to ask His Majesty's Government what has been the cost to public funds of the arms and ammunition supplied to Ukraine so far.

Wednesday 27 March 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Wheeler** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve treatment and care for those of working age who are affected by stroke.

***Lord Krebs** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to carry forward surplus emissions from the Third Carbon Budget, in the light of the advice of the Committee on Climate Change published on 28 February.

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect regional arts organisations and facilities funded by local authorities, particularly where those local authorities are facing financial difficulties. [1]

Motions for Balloted Debate

The ballot to select two motions for debate to be drawn on Wednesday 6 March, for debate on Thursday 21 March. Combined time limit of 5 hours.

Viscount Waverley to move that this House takes note of the United Kingdom's relations with China.

Lord Oates to move that this House takes note of the work of the Youth Justice Board for England and Wales as it marks its 25th year of operation.

Lord Shipley to move that this House takes note of current local government finances and the impact on local communities.

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

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to move that this House takes note of the growing number of conflict zones across the globe, and of the case for increased co-operation and partnership between democracies on global and geopolitical affairs.

Lord Sikka to move that this House takes note of the case for reforming the calculation and management of public debt.

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to move that this House takes note of His Majesty's Government's policies on civil nuclear energy and the civil nuclear roadmap.

Baroness Coussins to move that this House takes note of the importance of educational visits and exchanges from the United Kingdom to other countries.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to move that this House takes note of the case for establishing a Special Tribunal for Ukraine specifically to prosecute the crime of aggression.

Lord Scriven to move that this House takes note of countries that use sporting events to "sportswash" their human rights record, and the complicity of sporting bodies in aiding this practice.

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

†**Baroness Bowles of Berkhamsted** to move that this House takes note of the Government's powers with respect to regulators and the case for reforming their consultation processes to promote more effective regulation especially for intensively supervised industries such as financial services.

†**Baroness Hoey** to move that this House takes note of the preparations and costs of hosting the UEFA Euro 2028 Football Championship.

†**Lord Lexden** to move that this House takes note of the work being done by state and independent schools in partnership.

†**The Earl of Clancarty** to move that this House takes note of the impact of the United Kingdom leaving the European Union on the arts and creative industries.

Select Committee Reports

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

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*

Baroness Morris of Yardley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Public Services Committee *Homecare medicines services: an opportunity lost* (4th Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 269). *16 November 2023*

Lord Redesdale to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Horticultural Sector Committee *Sowing the seeds: A blooming English horticultural sector* (Session 2022–23, HL Paper 268). *6 November 2023*

Lord Bridges of Headley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Making an independent Bank of England work better* (1st Report, HL Paper 10). *27 November 2023*

Lord Johnson of Marylebone to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Education for 11 to 16-year olds Committee *Requires improvement: urgent change for 11–16 education* (HL Paper 17). *12 December 2023*

Lord Lisvane to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Artificial Intelligence in Weapon Systems Committee *Proceed with Caution: Artificial Intelligence in Weapon Systems* (HL Paper 16). *1 December 2023*

Baroness Pitkeathley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Integration of Primary and Community Care Committee *Patients at the centre: integrating primary and community care* (HL Paper 18). *15 December 2023*

†**Baroness Hamwee** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Justice and Home Affairs Committee *Cutting crime: better community sentences* (1st Report, HL Paper 27). *28 December 2023*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

†**Lord Rennard** to move that this House regrets the Government’s decision to lay the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Election Expenses and Exclusions) Regulations 2024, given the large scale of the proposed increases, the proximity of elections on 2 May, the lack of evidence of parties and candidates being constrained in their ability to reach voters by current expense limits, and the effect of increasing reporting thresholds on reducing transparency of funding for elections. *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Motion Relating to a Treaty

Lord Goldsmith to move that this House takes note of the Protocol on the Accession of the United Kingdom to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership, laid before the House on 19 February. *Special attention drawn by the International Agreements Committee, 6th Report*

Questions for Short Debate

These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 7 February 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.

Baroness Foster of Aghadrumsee to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support persecuted Christians around the world.

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.

Lord Farmer to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support parents considering separation, and to promote early resolution of private family law arrangements.

Lord Hay of Ballyore to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to grant a right to a British passport to people born in the Republic of Ireland who have lived, paid taxes, and voted in Northern Ireland.

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, while ensuring that development does not adversely affect existing communities.

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the recommendations proposed by Save the Children in their report *Stop the War on Children: Let Children Live in Peace*, published in December 2023.

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with other governments on the future of the Commonwealth of Nations.

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 Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on public safety of the work of the Immigration Tribunals.

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.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the numbers of people killed or displaced by conflict in Sudan and Tigray.

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.

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the preparations and costs of hosting the Euro 2028 Football Championship.

Baroness Walmsley to ask His Majesty's Government what is their current assessment of the United Kingdom's compliance with the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Questions for Short Debate ballot entries

The ballot for four Questions closes at 5pm on Tuesday 26 March and will be drawn on Wednesday 27 March for debate on Thursday 25 April. Time limit 1 hour.

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to promote the furtherance of environmental, social and governance (ESG) principles among businesses in the United Kingdom. *(Department for Business and Trade)*

Lord Bird to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to address the root causes of child poverty across the United Kingdom. *(Department for Work and Pensions)*

Lord Sikka to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to address any external auditing deficiencies highlighted by the collapse of BHS, Carillion, Patisserie Valerie, and London Capital and Finance. *(Department for Business and Trade)*

Lord Harrington of Watford to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made on the implementation of recommendations from the Harrington Review of Foreign Direct Investment, published in November 2023. *(Treasury)*

Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to ask His Majesty's Government what specific steps they are taking to ensure that Levelling Up provides support for the most deprived neighbourhoods with the greatest community need. *(Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities)*

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the proportion of foreign national offenders incarcerated across the prison estate. *(Ministry of Justice)*

Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to incentivise the food and drinks industry to reformulate their products to use less processed sugar and healthier natural alternatives. *(Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs)*

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 5 March and due for answer by 19 March.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the recent report from the UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of human rights in Afghanistan, published on 29 February 2024, and his findings of specific targeting of the Hazara community in Afghanistan, including at least seven attacks carried out against Shia Muslims of Hazara ethnicity between September 2023 and January 2024. HL3013

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Hazara Inquiry's recommendation to bring proceedings against Afghanistan for its violations of the Genocide Convention with regard to the Hazara in Afghanistan. HL3014

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government how they are highlighting the situation of women and girls in Afghanistan and Iran, whether they are engaging with Afghan and Iranian women or organisations supporting them, and what practical steps they are taking in doing so. HL3015

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they are giving to the report of the Gender Apartheid Inquiry *Shattering Women's Rights, Shattering Lives*, launched on 4 March, and whether they intend to formally respond to its findings and recommendations. HL3016

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, in the light of attacks on Abyei town on 27 January, attacks on Awolnhom, Minyang, Kadian and Abathok villages on 3 and 4 February, and killings and abductions in Rumamer County from 10 January to 14 February, what is their assessment of the capacity of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei at its current troop level to protect civilians in the Abyei administrative area. HL3017

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the humanitarian situation in Abyei town following internal displacement within the Abyei area, and what support they will offer to enable voluntary returns to villages in central and northern Abyei. HL3018

Lord Bilimoria to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of ceasing funding for the UK Council for International Student Affairs to provide international student support, following the recent changes to the student immigration rules. HL3019

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by BBC Panorama that Drax power station is burning wood from forests defined by the government of British Columbia as "old growth" primary forests which provide unique habitats, structures and ecological functions. HL3020

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government how many (1) high secure, (2) medium secure, and (3) low secure, mental health service beds are in each integrated care board area of England. HL3021

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government on what date they expect to receive the Health and Safety Executive's delayed final restriction opinion in respect of the risks of using lead in ammunition to human health and the environment; and whether they will make and publish their decision on the restriction within three months of receipt of the opinion. HL3022

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the efficacy of existing cyber-resilience regulations relating to the UK's critical national infrastructure. HL3023

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support businesses seeking to adopt process improvement programmes for their organisational cyber-resilience. HL3024

Lord Framlingham to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the fall in overall domestic beef production resulting from the proposed changes in agricultural policies and payments. HL3025

Lord Framlingham to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the fall in overall domestic sugar beet production resulting from the proposed changes in agricultural policies and payments. HL3026

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government how many unlicensed metal recyclers have been prosecuted in the past (1) three years, (2) five years, and (3) 10 years; and what steps they are taking to increase the number of prosecutions. HL3027

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government who holds responsibility for tackling unlicensed metal recyclers between the different police services and local authorities. HL3028

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the metals recycling industry regarding the impact of introducing a fixed-rate deposit return scheme on the recycling rates of aluminium. HL3029

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they are having with representatives from the metals recycling industry about the importance of the free and fair trade of scrap steel. HL3030

Baroness Hayman to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the letter from Viscount Younger of Leckie to Baroness Hayman dated 6 July 2023, when officials will hold a briefing for peers on their work on pension fund trustees and fiduciary duty. HL3031

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Caine on 4 March and with regard to paragraphs 54 and 65 of the relevant Supreme Court judgment, whether they can confirm that the inconsistency between the Acts of Union and the protocol was not at issue before the Supreme Court because the Government did not lodge any cross appeal from the Court of Appeal's decision that such inconsistency existed. HL3032

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government why the Department for Work and Pensions and His Majesty's Revenue and Customs have stopped publishing data on tax contributions and welfare payments by nationality. HL3033

Lord Kempson to ask His Majesty's Government, further to *The Angiolini Inquiry: Part 1 Report* published on 29 February, which territorial and national police forces outsource their recruitment vetting to other police forces or other law enforcement agencies. HL3034

Lord Kempson to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will publish the number of ministerial directions made in each year since 2010 under the 'Managing Public Money' principles; and whether they will include a figure for unpublished or confidential ministerial directions. HL3035

Lord Kempson to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will provide an update on their Gov.uk 'One Login' programme; and what is the programme's plan of work over the next year. HL3036

Lord Leigh of Hurley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support healthcare facilities in developing countries to have clean water, decent toilets and better hygiene, as a cost-effective means for reducing the global infectious disease burden. HL3037

Baroness Quin to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to employing refugees who are qualified dentists to help alleviate the backlog in NHS dentistry. HL3038

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Bellamy on 5 March (HL2679), and in the light of recent reports of mitigating circumstances such as acute illness appear to have been overlooked, whether they intend to amend the training provided to magistrates to specify more clearly their powers to draw mitigation to the attention of prosecutors. HL3039

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on tourism-related businesses of recent significant increases in fees charged by some airports for vehicles to drop off passengers, and what recent discussions they have had with representatives of the aviation industry about the transparency of the overall structure of their fees and charges. HL3040

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the finding by the NHS Confederation that there has been a 26 per cent cut to the public health grant per person in real terms since 2015–16; and what plans they have to ensure that every baby and young child in England can receive the full Healthy Child Programme. HL3041

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide support to those whose livelihoods previously relied on employment at the Port Talbot steel works. HL3042

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether the electricity transmission network is sufficient to allow for the replacement of the Port Talbot steel works blast furnaces with electric arc furnaces. HL3043

Lord Stunell to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the number of building control officers fully accredited to deliver the new building safety regime when it comes into effect on 1 April, and (2) the capacity of such building control officers to fully enforce that regime across each relevant local authority from that date. HL3044

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support property owners facing challenges in refinancing against lower property values. HL3045

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential role of technology in tackling theft and violence in convenience stores across the UK. HL3046

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Institute for Public Policy Research report *State of the North 2024: Charting the Course for a Decade of Renewal*, published in March, what steps they are taking to address the widening gap in employment between London and the rest of England. HL3047

Lord Truscott to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to restore VAT free shopping for foreign tourists. HL3048

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by The Earl of Minto on 4 March (HL2591), on what date the Minister for Defence People and Families intends to visit the Atomic Weapons Establishment Aldermaston for the personal assessment of the 150 documents held by the Atomic Weapons Establishment concerning blood tests taken from British troops during radiation experiments. HL3049

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by The Earl of Minto on 4 March (HL2591), why it is not possible for the Atomic Weapons Establishment Aldermaston to facilitate the delivery of the 150 nuclear test veteran documents to a secure ministerial office within the Ministry of Defence for review by the Minister for Defence People and Families. HL3050

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answers by The Earl of Minto on 4 March (HL2591, HL2592), whether they will list the defence Ministers restricted from accessing the 150 relevant documents held by the Atomic Weapons Establishment Aldermaston. HL3051

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answers by The Earl of Minto on 4 March (HL2591, HL2592), whether they will list the security classification of the 150 documents. HL3052

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.

25 January (8 February)

HL1940 Baroness Randerson [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

8 February (22 February)

HL2322 Lord Empey [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2323 Lord Empey [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

12 February (26 February)

HL2405 Baroness Randerson [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2406 Baroness Randerson [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

14 February (28 February)

HL2470 Baroness Hayman of Ullock [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2472 Baroness Hayman of Ullock [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

19 February (4 March)

HL2586 Baroness Warsi [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2587 Baroness Warsi [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2588 Baroness Warsi [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

20 February (5 March)

HL2608 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2610 The Lord Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2622 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2627 Baroness Deech [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2628 Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

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

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (10)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (5)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Housing Act 1988 (Amendment) 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	
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	
Road Traffic Offences (Cycling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill	Government	
Leasehold and Freehold Reform Bill (<i>Welsh legislative consent sought</i>) (<i>King's and Prince of Wales's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	
Committed to a Special Public Bill Committee		
Arbitration Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>) (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	7 March
Committed to a Select Committee		
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
Committed to a Grand Committee		
Data Protection and Digital Information Bill (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Bill (<i>Scottish Legislative Consent granted, Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	14 March
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
Victims and Prisoners Bill (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	12 March
Conversion Therapy Prohibition (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	

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Succession to Peerages and Baronetcies Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill <i>(Welsh Legislative Consent withheld; Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought; King's consent sought)</i>	Government	
Media Bill	Government	
Alternative Investment Fund Designation Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Employment and Trade Union Rights (Dismissal and Re- engagement) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Schools (Mental Health Professionals) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Waiting for Report		
Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill <i>(Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought)</i>	Government	11 March
Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill	Government	6 March
Sent to the Commons		
Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	
Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans- Pacific Partnership) Bill [HL]	Government	
Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Government	
Pedicabs (London) Bill [HL]	Government	
Automated Vehicles Bill [HL]	Government	

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

Draft Code of Practice on Dismissal and Re-Engagement *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Accounting Standards (Prescribed Bodies) (United States of America and Japan) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations (Amendment) Order 2024 *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Strategy and Policy Statement for Energy Policy in Great Britain *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Suitability for Fixed Term Recall) Order 2024 *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Disapplication or Modification of Financial Regulator Rules in Individual Cases) Regulations 2024

Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Funding and Investment Strategy and Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Official Controls (Fees and Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

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Draft Fair Dealing Obligations (Milk) Regulations 2024 *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Goods Vehicles (International Road Transport Permits and Haulage Within the EU) Regulations 2024

Draft Plant Health (Fees) (England) and Official Controls (Frequency of Checks) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Veterinary Medicines (Amendment etc.) 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 Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023 (*12 March*)

Draft Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (*6 March*)

Draft Social Housing (Regulation) Act 2023 (Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024 (*12 March*)

Draft Electricity Capacity (Supplier Payment etc.) (Amendment and Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 March)*

Draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 March)*

Draft Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 March)*

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and Terrorism Act 2000 (Certain Information Orders: Code of Practice) Regulations 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigative Powers of Prosecutors: Code of Practice) Order 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Search, Recovery of Cryptoassets and Investigations: Codes of Practice) Regulations 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Single Source Contract (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice for Authorised Officers) Order 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Act 2022 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024

Draft Renewables Obligation (Amendment) (Energy Intensive Industries) Order 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 March)*

Draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Amendment, Surrender and Compensation) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 12th Report*

Draft Representation of the People (Variation of Election Expenses and Exclusions) Regulations 2024 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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Draft Data Protection Act 2018 (Amendment of Schedule 2 Exemptions) Regulations 2024 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 March)*

Draft National Minimum Wage (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 *(12 March)*

Draft Waste Enforcement (Fixed Penalty Receipts) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (6 March)*

Draft Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (12 March)*

Draft North East Mayoral Combined Authority (Establishment and Functions) Order 2024

Draft South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (Election of Mayor and Transfer of Police and Crime Commissioner Functions) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 15th Report*

Draft West Midlands Combined Authority (Transfer of Police and Crime Commissioner Functions) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 15th Report*

Draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Fire and Rescue Services) (England) Regulations 2024 *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (Financial Penalty) Regulations 2024

Negative Instruments

Public Interest Merger Reference (Telegraph Media Group Limited) (Pre-emptive Action) Order 2024 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 9 March*

Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 15th Report. 16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 23 March*

Supreme Court Fees Order 2024 *15th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 25 March*

Statement of changes in Immigration Rules (HC 556) *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 16th Report. Praying time ends 16 April*

Human Rights Remedial Order

Draft order under paragraph 2(a) reported from the Joint Committee on Human Rights

Draft Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Remedial) Order 2023 *Scrutiny period expired 15 January. 1st Report from the Joint Committee on Human Rights (6 March)*

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

Pressure Equipment (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires: 20 March*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

Agreement No. 3 in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the United Kingdom and Ukraine amending the Political, Free Trade and Strategic Partnership Agreement between the two countries *Scrutiny period expires: 22 March*

International Coffee Agreement 2022 *Scrutiny period expires: 26 March*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Denmark on the Participation in Certain Elections of Nationals of Each Country Resident in the Territory of the Other *Scrutiny period expires: 25 March*

Convention on the Establishment of the ‘Global Combat Air Programme – GCAP International Government Organisation’ *Scrutiny period expires: 16 April*

Treaties considered by a Select Committee

Protocol on the Accession of the United Kingdom to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership *Reported by the International Agreements Committee on 20 February. Scrutiny period expires: 22 March*

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Wednesday 6 March

Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 3	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	2.45pm
Windsor Framework Sub-Committee	Room 3	3.00pm

Thursday 7 March

Food, Diet and Obesity Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Arbitration Bill [HL] Special Public Bill Committee	Room 3	2.00pm

Monday 11 March

Preterm Birth Committee		3.00pm
Modern Slavery Act 2015 Committee		3.35pm
Statutory Inquiries Committee		4.00pm

Tuesday 12 March

Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am
Built Environment Committee		10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee		10.30am
Science and Technology Committee		10.45am
Finance Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm
Economic Affairs Committee		3.00pm
European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
International Agreements Committee		4.00pm

Wednesday 13 March

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Public Services Committee	Virtual Meeting	3.00pm

Monday 18 March

National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	4.00pm
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Tuesday 19 March

Communications and Digital Committee		2.00pm
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Wednesday 20 March

Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm
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Thursday 21 March

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.15pm
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Tuesday 30 April

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee	Room 2A	3.00pm
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Monday 10 June

Restoration and Renewal Client Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	5.00pm
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Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday 5 March 2024

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Manchester.

1 Lord Cameron of Lochiel Donald Andrew John Cameron, having been created Baron Cameron of Lochiel, of Achnacarry in the County of Inverness, for life by Letters Patent dated 4 March, was introduced between Lord Cameron of Dillington and Lord Cameron of Chipping Norton, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 Earldom of Castle Stewart in the Peerage of Ireland The Petition of Andrew Richard Charles Stuart (otherwise known as Viscount Stuart) claiming to have succeeded to the Earldom of Castle Stewart in the Peerage of Ireland was presented and referred to the Lord Chancellor for a report to the House pursuant to Standing Order 79.

3 Barony of Bradbury in the Peerage of the United Kingdom The Lord Chancellor reported that John Timothy Bradbury had established his claim to the Barony of Bradbury in the Peerage of the United Kingdom. The Clerk of the Parliaments was accordingly directed to enter Lord Bradbury on the register of hereditary peers maintained under Standing Order 9(4).

Select Committee Report

4 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:
Statement of changes in Immigration Rules (HC 556)

Correspondence: Letters from DESNZ and DLUHC

Includes information paragraphs on:

Draft Code of Practice on Dismissal and Re-engagement 2024

Draft Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Suitability for Fixed Term Recall) Order 2024

Draft Fair Dealing Obligations (Milk) Regulations 2024

Draft Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Strategy and Policy Statement for Energy Policy in Great Britain 2024. (16th Report, HL Paper 78)

Public Business

5 TV licence non-payment: women A question was asked by Baroness Hoey and answered by Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay.

6 Mental health patients: discharge A question was asked by Baroness Merron and answered by Lord Markham.

7 War Widows: ex gratia pension payment A question was asked by Baroness Crawley and answered by Lord Harlech.

8 Police recruitment: reform A question was asked by the Lord Bishop of Manchester and answered by Lord Sharpe of Epsom.

9 Foreign affairs Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon moved that this House takes note of the United Kingdom's position on foreign affairs. The debate on the motion was adjourned.

The House adjourned. The House resumed.

10 Angiolini Inquiry report Lord Sharpe of Epsom answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Thursday 29 February.

11 **Foreign affairs** The debate was resumed. After further debate, the motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 10.41pm until Wednesday 6 March at 3.00pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 3.45pm.

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

Lord Douglas-Miller moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Waste Enforcement (Fixed Penalty Receipts) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Lord Douglas-Miller moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Lord Johnson of Lainston moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2024. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Renewables Obligation (Amendment) (Energy Intensive Industries) Order 2024

Lord Johnson of Lainston moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Renewables Obligation (Amendment) (Energy Intensive Industries) Order 2024. The motion was agreed to.

Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024

Lord Johnson of Lainston moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024. The motion was agreed to.

Electricity Capacity (Supplier Payment etc.) (Amendment and Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2024

Lord Johnson of Lainston moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Electricity Capacity (Supplier Payment etc.) (Amendment and Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2024. The motion was agreed to.

Data Protection Act 2018 (Amendment of Schedule 2 Exemptions) Regulations 2024

Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Data Protection Act 2018 (Amendment of Schedule 2 Exemptions) Regulations 2024. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Remedial) Order 2023

Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Remedial) Order 2023. The motion was agreed to.

The Committee adjourned at 6.03pm.

Papers

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

Command Papers

The following papers were presented to the House by command of His Majesty:

- 1 Hazardous Substances—Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. (1042)

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Carer’s Assistance (Carer Support Payment) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024 (282)
- 2 Single Trade Window (Establishment, Operation and Information) Regulations 2024 (285)
- 3 Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2024 (289)
- 4 National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (294)

Proposed Negative Statutory Instrument

The following paper was laid under the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023:

- 1 Pressure Equipment (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2024