

Thursday 14 March 2024 at 11.00am

Lord Shamash will be introduced.

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.

***Baroness Merron** to ask His Majesty's Government, in the light of warnings by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, what assessment they have made of the risk to cancer patients in England presented by the staffing levels, workloads and working conditions of healthcare professionals.

Lord McInnes of Kilwinning to move that this House takes note of the case for strengthening and safeguarding the union of the United Kingdom. (2½ hours) [1]

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. (2½ hours)

Social Housing (Regulation) Act 2023 (Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024 Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 18 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 12 March*

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*

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



Future Business

Monday 18 March 2024 at 2.30pm

Lord Banner and

Lord Jamieson will be introduced.

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. [1]

Business of the House The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) to move that, in the event of the Supply and Appropriation (Anticipation and Adjustments) Bill having been brought from the House of Commons, Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Tuesday 19 March to allow the Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day.

†**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 19 March to enable the National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) (No. 2) Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day and that, in accordance with Standing Order 47 (*Amendments on Third Reading*), amendments shall not be moved on Third Reading.

Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023 Baroness Barran to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 6 December 2023 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 12 March*

National Minimum Wage (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 Lord Offord of Garvel to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 31 January be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 12 March*

Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Suitability for Fixed Term Recall) Order 2024 Lord Bellamy to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 22 February be approved. *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

Baroness Vere of Norbiton to move that this House takes note of the Spring Budget 2024.

†**National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) (No. 2) Bill** Second Reading [Baroness Vere of Norbiton]

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

The following four motions are expected to be debated together:

Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice for Authorised Officers) Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Gascoigne] *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Search, Recovery of Cryptoassets and Investigations: Codes of Practice) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Gascoigne] *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigative Powers of Prosecutors: Code of Practice) Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Gascoigne] *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and Terrorism Act 2000 (Certain Information Orders: Code of Practice) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Gascoigne] *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

North East Mayoral Combined Authority (Establishment and Functions) Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Scott of Bybrook]

Tuesday 19 March 2024 at 2.30pm

Lord Hannett of Everton and

†**Baroness Ramsey of Wall Heath** will be introduced.

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 15 March.

Procedure and Privileges The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *Amending stages of public bills* (3rd Report, HL Paper 73) be agreed to.

Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2024 Lord Callanan to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 February be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 12 March. 15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

In the event that the Supply and Appropriation (Anticipation and Adjustments) Bill has been brought from the Commons, and if the Business of the House motion in the name of the Lord Privy Seal on Monday 18 March is agreed to, it is expected that the second reading and remaining stages will be taken.

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to move that this House takes note of the Report from the International Agreements Committee *Scrutiny of international agreements: UK accession to the Comprehensive Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership* (6th Report, HL Paper 70).

Representation of the People (Variation of Election Expenses and Exclusions) Regulations 2024
 Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 29 January be approved. *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Lord Rennard to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but this House regrets the Government’s decision to lay the draft Regulations, 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.”

Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Amendment of List of Safe States) Regulations 2024 Lord Sharpe of Epsom to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 8 November 2023 be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 4th Report*

Lord German to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but this House regrets that His Majesty’s Government have not provided a clear explanation of why or how they have determined that India and Georgia are safe states for the purposes of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002; and that it is unclear how this policy change will work in practice.”

†**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. (*1½ hours*)

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Fire and Rescue Services) (England) Regulations 2024
 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Single Source Contract (Amendment) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [the Earl of Minto]

Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Act 2022 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024
 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Harlech]

†**Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon]

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. [*I*]

***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.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 14 March, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 18 March.

Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill Committee [Baroness Neville-Rolfe] *Welsh Legislative Consent withheld; Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought; King's consent sought*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Committee [Viscount Camrose] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

Thursday 21 March 2024 at 11.00am

Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest and

†**Baroness Smith of Llanfaes** will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***The Lord Bishop of Manchester** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of 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.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 15 March, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 19 March.

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

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

It is expected that the Grand Committee on the Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Bill will continue at 1.00pm in the Moses Room, and that it will conclude.

Friday 22 March 2024 at 10.00am

Artificial Intelligence (Regulation) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Holmes of Richmond]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Holmes of Richmond to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Foetal Sentience Committee Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Moylan]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Moylan to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Genocide (Prevention and Response) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws]

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

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 11.00am

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]

Thursday 18 April 2024 at 11.00am

†**Lord Patel** to move that this House takes note of the long-term sustainability of the NHS to be able to deliver comprehensive, timely and affordable health and social care for all, including options for systems of care and funding.

Lord Laming to move that this House takes note of the continuing increase in the number of children and young people being committed into the care of the local authorities.

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*

Baroness Drake to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Constitution Committee *Permanent secretaries: their appointment and removal* (17th Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 258). *20 October 2023*

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.

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.

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*)

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government how UK aid is used to support minorities in Pakistan. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

Lord Foster of Bath to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of gambling advertising, marketing and sponsorship on problem gambling. (*Department for Culture, Media & Sport*)

Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the importance of educational trips and exchanges from England to other countries, and the measures needed to facilitate them. (*Department for Education*)

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of international conflict on children and the recommendations proposed by Save the Children in their report *Stop the War on Children: Let Children Live in Peace*, published in December 2023. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 13 March and due for answer by 27 March.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the call made by the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture on 8 March that Hong Kong and China investigate the admission of evidence allegedly obtained by torture in the trial of Jimmy Lai, and (2) the statement by Caoilfhionn Gallagher KC that evidence which appears to have been procured by torture may be used in proceedings against Jimmy Lai. HL3226

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon on 11 March (HL2717), whether they will specifically raise with the government of Pakistan why Ahmadi Muslims were not included on the single electoral list with all other voters in the recent elections in that country. HL3227

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the alignment of the proposed Article 23 legislation in Hong Kong with the Sino-British Joint Declaration, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and other international laws and standards; and what assessment they have made of the potential impact of the legislation on British National (Overseas) visa holders, in particular the six exiled Hong Kongers in the UK with arrest warrants and HK\$1 million bounties who might be considered "absconders" under the new security legislation. HL3228

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will take steps to impose sanctions on Hong Kong Chief Executive John Lee for his role in the development of the proposed Article 23 legislation in Hong Kong; and whether they will make representations to HSBC and Standard Chartered to allow Hong Kongers to access to their Mandatory Provident Fund. HL3229

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in developing indicator E7 on healthy soils as part of the Outcome Indicator Framework for monitoring progress of the 25 Year Environment Plan. HL3230

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what processes the Environment Agency follows in identifying and nominating chemical substances to the Prioritisation and Early Warning System (PEWS) for chemicals of emerging concern; and whether there are routes for individuals or other organisations to raise chemical substances of concern to PEWS. HL3231

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what contracts NHS England and the Department of Health and Social Care have with The Phoenix Partnership and for what services; and what assessment they have made of the appropriateness of it providing such services. HL3232

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government, following the protection of the titles "physician associate" and "anaesthesia associate" under the Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024, when they plan to provide protection for other medical titles which are not already protected. HL3233

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay on 13 March (HL2878), how the responsibility of the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport to safeguard the independence of the BBC should be exercised. HL3234

Baroness Cox to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Saudi Arabia regarding the release of imprisoned women activists in that country, particularly (1) Manahel al-Otaibi, and (2) Salma al-Shehab. HL3235

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the adequacy of funding to local authorities to implement the simpler recycling reforms that were announced in October 2023. HL3236

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of requiring weekly food waste collections on rural councils. HL3237

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of recycling reforms on local authority finances. HL3238

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to introduce a phase-out of pesticides in public, urban spaces under local authority control, as has been done in countries such as Luxembourg. HL3239

Baroness Hayman of Ullock to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the UK's accession to the Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership (1) does not weaken domestic pesticide standards in terms of active substance approvals or maximum residue levels, and (2) does not undermine the precautionary principle with regards to pesticides. HL3240

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Douglas-Miller on 11 March (HL2836), whether the requirement for moving seed potatoes between registered professional operators in Great Britain to professional operators in Northern Ireland prevents individuals from moving seed potatoes for personal use. HL3241

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Caine on 12 March (HL3032), to specify all the changes made to the protocol by the Windsor Framework; and whether Article 6 of the Acts of Union is affected by the protocol or the Windsor Framework. HL3242

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government how many checks took place on goods moving between Great Britain to Northern Ireland via the UK Internal Market Scheme between 1 February and 10 March. HL3243

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government what continuing role they have in assessing and funding the Casement Park project for Euro 28, and what funding they have already committed or anticipated to be committed. HL3244

Baroness Hollins to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made, if any, in reaching a settlement in cases of individuals who have developed (1) blood clots, and (2) life-changing conditions, such as transverse myelitis, after receiving the COVID-19 AstraZeneca vaccine; and what assessment they have made of the level of payment being awarded under the Vaccine Damage Payment scheme. HL3245

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the dangers to some users of the asthma drug montelukast; and what discussions they have had with the montelukast UK action group, which has highlighted the risks of the drug. HL3246

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are satisfied that the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency undertook a sufficiently rigorous approach to the licensing of montelukast, in view of the US Food and Drug Administration's black box warning about its use. HL3247

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what were the circumstances behind Pharmacy First claims recently appearing incorrectly in the NHS Business Services Authority's 'Manage Your Service' portal; and what assessment they have made of the impact of this on the workload of community pharmacies. HL3248

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government, following Pharmacy First claims recently appearing incorrectly in the NHS Business Services Authority's 'Manage Your Service' portal, what assessment they have made of (1) the loss of confidence of community pharmacies in the Pharmacy First claims system, and (2) the impact on them of needing to set up a manual double-checking system to ensure that they do not lose out on funding. HL3249

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of calls for a Palestinian visa or Gaza family scheme to enable Palestinians in Gaza to be reunited with relatives in the UK and access temporary sanctuary. HL3250

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have raised with the government of the United States the number of weapons packages to Israel it has approved since October 2023; and whether these include (1) precision-guided munitions, (2) small-diameter bombs, (3) bunker busters, (4) small arms, and (5) other lethal aid. HL3251

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Environment Agency is monitoring the untreated sewage being discharged into Esthwaite Water by United Utilities; if not, why; if so, how often United Utilities is discharging untreated sewage into Esthwaite Water; and why these discharges are permitted in a Site of Special Scientific Interest. HL3252

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government how many trains per day have been cancelled so far in 2024; how this compares to the daily figure for 2023; and what action they are taking to work with the operating companies to reduce the number of cancellations. HL3253

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of, and what action they are taking to reduce, overcrowding in prisons in England and Wales. HL3254

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Prime Minister discussed the security situation in Jammu and Kashmir with the Prime Minister of India before or since the Prime Minister of India's visit there on 7 March, including when he expects the regional polls ordered by the Supreme Court of India to take place. HL3255

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the political and security situation in Haiti; and what action they are taking with international partners to help stabilise the country and end the violence there. HL3256

Lord Mendelsohn to ask His Majesty's Government whether the COVID-19 monoclonal antibody Evusheld 2.0 is being treated as a priority for assessment; and whether they have any plans to rollout a programme to be fast-tracked to vulnerable patients. HL3257

Lord Morrow to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports that the Free Trees for Schools and Communities scheme run by the Woodland Trust to encourage children to plant native trees cannot operate in Northern Ireland, despite all of the tree species involved being certified as UK and Ireland-grown. HL3258

Lord Pearson of Rannoch to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Lord Cameron of Chipping Norton on 12 March (HL Deb col 1905), how much money the United Kingdom pays to the European Union annually; on what that money is spent; and what plans they have, and to what timescale, for its reduction. HL3259

The Lord Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich to ask His Majesty's Government what consultation they undertook with service personnel and their families regarding the Modernised Accommodation Offer for the armed forces. HL3260

Lord Sharkey to ask His Majesty's Government what, if any, statutory powers they have to issue binding directions to the Bank of England; and on how many occasions in each year since 2007 they have been exercised. HL3261

Lord Sharkey to ask His Majesty's Government what, if any, statutory powers the Bank of England has to issue binding directions to (1) the Prudential Regulation Authority, (2) the Financial Conduct Authority, and (3) the Payment Systems Regulator; and on how many occasions in each year since 2007 they have been exercised. HL3262

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the delay to the opening of King's Leadership Academy Wavetree. HL3263

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of slowing wage growth on household finances and consumer spending; and what steps they are taking to mitigate any negative impact. HL3264

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, in the light of the recommendations of the Independent Review of the UK Statistics Authority on the separation of functions and reporting arrangements, what steps they are taking to ensure greater transparency in the governance and enhancements of the statistical system. HL3265

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential environmental impact and carbon emissions associated with the development of gas-fired power plants. HL3266

Lord Triesman to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the papers *Zionism and its influence in USA and Western Europe* (FCO 17/1763) and *Influence of the Zionist lobby in the United States and Western Europe* (FCO 51/297); who their authors were; whether any UK diplomats provided evidence or any members of the Government were involved in commissioning them; whether they will place copies of them in the Library of the House; and what assessment they have made of whether these papers are anti-Semitic. HL3267

Lord Truscott to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to banning outdoor hot tubs to facilitate the transition to net zero. HL3268

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions they have had with the government of Pakistan regarding attacks on Ahmadiyya Muslim mosques. HL3269

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they gave, in deciding on introducing additional electricity generation by way of new gas facilities, to whether these requirements could have been met by accelerating the small modular reactors programme. HL3270

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the government of Argentina on greater support for the teaching of Welsh in the Chubut Province. HL3271

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what directives or guidelines they have issued to the Welsh Government in relation to their overseas initiatives on matters related to their devolved responsibilities. HL3272

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the deposits of lithium in Wales and Scotland; and whether they will ensure that all such is conveyed to the respective devolved authorities. HL3273

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to persuade the Tata Steel Company to minimise job losses in their steel works at Port Talbot. HL3274

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]

12 February (26 February)

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]

20 February (5 March)

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

21 February (6 March)

HL2647 Lord Dodds of Duncairn [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2660 Baroness Hoey [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2685 Lord Shipley [Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities]

26 February (11 March)

HL2725 Baroness Boycott [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2729 Baroness Fox of Buckley [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2760 Lord Sikka [Department for Business and Trade]

27 February (12 March)

HL2813 Lord Weir of Ballyholme [Department for Business and Trade]

28 February (13 March)

HL2822 Lord Addington [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2841 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2842 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2855 Lord Scriven [Home Office]

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

Business and Trade (2)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (7)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (1)

Health and Social Care (4)

Home Office (1)

Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (1)

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	22 March
Genocide (Prevention and Response) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	22 March
Workforce Information (Ethnicity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Foetal Sentience Committee Bill [HL]	Private Member's	22 March
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	
Ministry of Poverty Prevention Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) (No. 2) Bill	Government	18 March
Committed to a Special Public Bill Committee		
Arbitration Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>) (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
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	20 March
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	
Conversion Therapy Prohibition (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	20 March
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 Third Reading

Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
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Sent to the Commons

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	

Returned to the Commons amended

Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill	Government	
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Waiting for Royal Assent

Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	
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Statutory Instruments in Progress**Affirmative Instruments waiting for consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments**

Draft Economic Growth (Regulatory Functions) (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Growth Duty: Statutory Guidance Refresh

Draft Immigration (Leave to Enter and Remain) (Amendment) Order 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 (19 March)*

Draft Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023 (*18 March*)

Draft Social Housing (Regulation) Act 2023 (Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024 (*14 March*)

LEGISLATION

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 (18 March)*

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigative Powers of Prosecutors: Code of Practice) Order 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (18 March)*

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Search, Recovery of Cryptoassets and Investigations: Codes of Practice) Regulations 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (18 March)*

Draft Single Source Contract (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *(19 March)*

Draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice for Authorised Officers) Order 2024 *12th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (18 March)*

Draft Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Act 2022 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024 *(19 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 (19 March)*

Draft National Minimum Wage (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 *(18 March)*

Draft Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (19 March)*

Draft North East Mayoral Combined Authority (Establishment and Functions) Order 2024 *(18 March)*

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 (18 March)*

Draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: Fire and Rescue Services) (England) Regulations 2024 *15th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (19 March)*

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

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 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 *17th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

Draft Fair Dealing Obligations (Milk) Regulations 2024 *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 (18 March)*

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *(19 March)*

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

Negative Instruments

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*

School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 *17th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 26 April*

Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *17th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 26 April*

Education (Penalty Notices) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *17th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 26 April*

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

Pressure Equipment (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires: 15 April*

Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) (Revocation) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires 15 April*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

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

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

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Hungary concerning the Protection of Classified Information *Scrutiny period expires: 2 May*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Swiss Confederation on Mutual Recognition in Financial Services *Scrutiny period expires: 2 May*

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 (19 March)*

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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 5 March. Scrutiny period expires: 22 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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 5 March. Scrutiny period expires: 25 March*

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Thursday 14 March

Food, Diet and Obesity Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Arbitration Bill [HL] Special Public Bill Committee	Room 1	11.00am

Monday 18 March

National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 8	3.00pm
Preterm Birth Committee	Room 2	3.00pm
Modern Slavery Act 2015 Committee	Room 3	3.30pm
Statutory Inquiries Committee	Room 1	4.00pm

Tuesday 19 March

Science and Technology Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 2	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 3	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 4	3.00pm

Wednesday 20 March

Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Windsor Framework Sub-Committee	Room 2	2.00pm
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	2.45pm
Public Services Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

Thursday 21 March

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.15pm
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Tuesday 26 March

European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 3A	4.00pm

Tuesday 30 April

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee	Room 2A	3.00pm
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Wednesday 1 May

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
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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 Wednesday 13 March 2024

The House met at 3.00pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Leicester.

Select Committee Report

1 Statutory Instruments

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

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

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

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. (15th Report, HL Paper 86)

Private Business

2 **Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]** The bill was returned from the Commons agreed to with an amendment.

3 **Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]** The Commons amendment was considered and agreed to.

Public Business

4 **Biomass: power generation** A question was asked by Baroness Boycott and answered by Lord Callanan.

5 **COVID-19: lockdown costs and benefits** A question was asked by Lord Robathan and answered by Baroness Neville-Rolfe.

6 **Scottish Government: devolved competences** A question was asked by Lord Foulkes of Cumnock and answered by Baroness Neville-Rolfe.

7 **Earnings: mothers and fathers** A question was asked by Lord Sikka and answered by Baroness Barran.

8 **Ministry of Poverty Prevention Bill [HL]** Lord Bird presented a bill to make provision for establishing a new government Ministry, the Ministry for Poverty Prevention; to make provision for the objectives and powers of that Ministry; to make provision that the Ministry can only be abolished or combined with another department by an Act of Parliament; to make provision for reporting requirements on the Ministry's work; to make provision for a power to create binding poverty reduction targets; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 52)

9 **Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill** The report stage was continued, beginning with amendment 64. Amendments 66, 70 to 90, 93 to 98, 102, 103, 107, 112 to 114, 116 and 117, 119, 121 to 125, 128 to 130, 132, 136 to 139, 141 to 149, 150 (see division 1), 154 to 157, 159 to 161 were agreed to. The bill, as amended, was ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 53)

10 **National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) (No. 2) Bill** A bill to make provision for and in connection with reducing the main rates of primary Class 1 national insurance contributions and Class 4 national insurance contributions was brought from the Commons. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 54)

11 **National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) (No. 2) Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 54–EN)

12 West Midlands Combined Authority (Transfer of Police and Crime Commissioner Functions) Order 2024 Lord Sharpe of Epsom moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 7 February be approved. Then Lord Bach moved, as an amendment to the 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 notes that the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee concluded that the public consultation required by law was not commenced before an initial decision was made.” After debate, the amendment was agreed to (see division 2). Then the original motion, as amended, was agreed to.

13 Prisons and probation: foreign national offenders Lord Stewart of Dirleton answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Tuesday 12 March.

The House adjourned at 9.24pm until Thursday 14 March at 11.00am.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Papers

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

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Biocidal Products (Health and Safety) (Amendment and Transitional Provision etc.) Regulations 2024 (352)
- 2 Environmental Protection (Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and other Dangerous Substances) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (354)
- 3 Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (366)

Treaties subject to scrutiny under the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010

The following papers were laid before the House by command of His Majesty, accompanied by Explanatory Memoranda:

- 1 Intelligence and Security—Agreement between the United Kingdom and Hungary concerning the Protection of Classified Information (1046)
- 2 Financial Services—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Swiss Confederation on Mutual Recognition in Financial Services (1047)

Proposed Negative Statutory Instruments

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

- 1 Pressure Equipment (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2024, replacing those laid on 5 March
- 2 Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) (Revocation) Regulations 2024

Divisions

Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill

Division No. 1

Lord Moynihan moved amendment 150, after clause 309, to insert the new clause *Requirements on secondary ticketing facilities*. The House divided:

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West Midlands Combined Authority (Transfer of Police and Crime Commissioner Functions) Order 2024

Division No. 2

Lord Bach moved, as an amendment to the motion to approve the West Midlands Combined Authority (Transfer of Police and Crime Commissioner Functions) Order 2024, 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 notes that the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee concluded that the public consultation required by law was not commenced before an initial decision was made.” The House divided:

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