

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.

Future Business**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.

Victims and Prisoners Bill Committee (day 8) [Lord Bellamy] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought*

Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (Financial Penalty) Regulations 2024 Lord Offord of Garvel to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 February be approved.

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



Code of Practice on Dismissal and Re-Engagement Lord Offord of Garvel to move that the draft Code laid before the House on 19 February be approved. *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Lord Woodley** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but this House regrets that the draft Code contains no effective measures to restrain unjustified use of fire and rehire; and fails to include any measures (1) contained in the Employment and Trade Union Rights (Dismissal and Re-engagement) Bill [HL], or (2) recommended by the International Labour Organization Committee on Freedom of Association’s *Definitive Report 404* published in October 2023 on the matter of dismissals of 786 staff by P&O Ferries Limited.”

Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 Baroness Swinburne to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 February be approved.

Strategy and Policy Statement for Energy Policy in Great Britain Lord Callanan to move that the draft Strategy and Policy Statement laid before the House on 21 February be approved. *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Fair Dealing Obligations (Milk) Regulations 2024 Lord Douglas-Miller to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 1 March be approved. *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Baroness Foster of Aghadrumsee to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to support persecuted Christians around the world. (*1½ hours*)

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Committee (day 2) [Viscount Camrose] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 22 March.

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

Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill Second Reading [Lord Callanan]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Callanan to move that the bill be committed to a Grand Committee.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Occupational Pension Schemes (Funding and Investment Strategy and Amendment) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Younger of Leckie] *17th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations (Amendment) Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Davies of Gower] *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Disapplication or Modification of Financial Regulator Rules in Individual Cases) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Vere of Norbiton]

Accounting Standards (Prescribed Bodies) (United States of America and Japan) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Offord of Garvel]

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]

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 25 March.

Leasehold and Freehold Reform Bill Second Reading [Baroness Scott of Bybrook] *16th Report from the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee. Welsh legislative consent sought*

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole House that they consider the bill in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 7	Clauses 45 and 46
Schedule 1	Schedule 9
Clauses 8 to 18	Clauses 47 to 68
Schedule 2	Schedule 10
Clauses 19 to 29	Clauses 69 to 103
Schedule 3	Schedule 11
Clauses 30 to 36	Clauses 104 to 108
Schedules 4 to 7	Schedule 12
Clauses 37 to 44	Clauses 109 to 123
Schedule 8	Title.

Special Public Bill Committee in the Moses Room at 10.30am

Arbitration Bill [HL] (*Law Commission Bill*) Committee [Lord Bellamy] *Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

†*It is expected that the Grand Committee on the Data Protection and Digital Information Bill will continue at 1pm in the Moses Room.*

Monday 15 April 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the social impact of the Port Talbot steel works blast furnace's closure on the surrounding communities.

***Lord Addington** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that, when meeting the needs of those with special educational needs in the school and college system, a legacy of training and knowledge is retained within those institutions.

***Lord Heseltine** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the conduct of the police in their treatment of Joe Anderson who resigned as the Mayor of Liverpool in 2021.

***Baroness Deech** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their state of preparedness for the next pandemic.

Tuesday 16 April 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of bullying of students and newly qualified midwives in the NHS on (1) retention of staff, and (2) the treatment of pregnant women, as highlighted in the *#Saynotobullyinginmidwifery* report published on 12 November 2023.

***Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce an independent property-agent regulator, to deliver a legally enforceable code of practice for property agents.
[1]

***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government when a decision on eligibility for a potential 2024 respiratory syncytical virus immunisation programme will be confirmed, and whether this will be aligned to the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation's September 2023 advice.

Wednesday 17 April 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to minimise delays at borders with the European Union caused by the proposed introduction of hand and face scanning.

***Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made in creating an *ad hoc* international tribunal, and in repurposing Russian assets, in response to Russian war crimes in Ukraine.

***Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the concerns expressed by the board of Ofsted, at its meeting on 20 September 2023, that the reliability of school inspections will be compromised if funding is further constrained.

Thursday 18 April 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on the provision of social housing of removing the right of local authorities to retain 100 per cent of receipts from right-to-buy sales.

†***The Earl of Lytton** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to mark the 200th anniversary year since the death of George Gordon 6th Lord Byron, which commences on 19 April; and whether they are providing support for the relocation of his statue from a traffic island in Park Lane in London.

†***Baroness Northover** to ask His Majesty's Government why the UK–Africa Investment Summit scheduled for April has been postponed, and when they plan to hold it.

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.

Thursday 25 April 2024 at 11.00am

†**Lord Snape** to move that this House takes note of the case for a coherent plan to address the failings of the transport system.

†**Viscount Chandos** to move that this House takes note of the supply of genuinely affordable housing, its impact on the economy, and the steps needed to increase supply, particularly for key workers and those on lower incomes.

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*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

†**Lord Oates** to move that this House regrets the Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules (HC 556), published on 19 February, in particular the provisions preventing overseas care workers from bringing family to the United Kingdom, as this will (1) deprive migrant care workers of the basic right of caring for their own children, (2) increase workers' dependency on their sponsors by removing the safety net of a partner's income, and (3) make it harder for workers to report and change sponsors, increasing the risk of exploitation. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 16th Report*

†**Baroness Bakewell of Hardington Mandeville** to move that this House regrets that the new growth duty imposed on Ofwat by the draft Economic Growth (Regulatory Functions) (Amendment) Order 2024 could seriously impact its ability to take enforcement action against polluting water companies, and further regrets the failure of the Government to prioritise the sanctioning of polluters and the cleanliness of waterways *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th 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.

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*)

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the *Practical toolkit for law enforcement officials to promote and protect human rights in the context of peaceful protests*, published on 7 March by the UN Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and association, and how they intend to ensure that the United Kingdom aligns with United Nations standards on the use of surveillance technology at protests. (*Home Office*)

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current state of conservation and protection measures for hares in England and Wales. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 21 March and due for answer by 8 April.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Hong Kong Watch report, *Tuition Fees for BNO Visa Holders: The Case for Home Fee Status*, and the impact of the cost of international fees on the ability of young British National (Overseas) (BNO) visa holders to attend university; and whether they will follow the Scottish Government in introducing home fees status for BNO visa holders after three years of residency in the UK. HL3505

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will allow British National (Overseas) visa holders to voluntarily pay up to 15 years' worth of Class 3 national insurance contributions towards a state pension, in cases where such visa holders have been denied access to their Mandatory Provident Fund pension savings by HSBC. HL3506

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government when the Euston ministerial task force was created; what are its terms of reference; who are its members; on what dates has it met; and whether it intends to publish minutes of its meetings or other relevant papers. HL3507

Baroness Browning to ask His Majesty's Government what criteria apply to NHS hospitals when requesting patients to sign a 'do not resuscitate' form. HL3508

Baroness Browning to ask His Majesty's Government how many 'do not resuscitate' forms have been signed in each of the past five years. HL3509

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the differences in effect of the application of the entirety of the Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill in England compared to its partial application in Northern Ireland. HL3510

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government whether the UK can apply any duty rate on alcoholic beverages in Northern Ireland which are below the EU minimum rate. HL3511

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government which specific legal obligations require them to notify the EU about planned legislative changes to the Bread and Flour Regulations 1998. HL3512

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government how many applications for EU State Aid approval have been made in respect of Northern Ireland since February 2023. HL3513

Lord Foster of Bath to ask His Majesty's Government, further to their policy paper *High Stakes: Gambling Reform for the Digital Age*, published on 27 April, when they will publish the cross-sport Code of Conduct outlined in that paper; and whether they will include an implementation timeline. HL3514

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what evidence they have for describing socialism and communism as "united by a set of grievance narratives" in the latest version of the Home Office online Prevent duty training modules amended in July 2023. HL3515

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what is their strategy for ensuring public safety and efficacious offender management in respect of hyper-prolific offenders. HL3516

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the early release of prisoners with a custodial sentence of less than 12 months, in order to alleviate overcrowding in the prison estate, on (1) reoffending rates, (2) public safety and (3) the operational effectiveness of the Probation Service. HL3517

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to expand the built prison estate to account for the estimated population increases to 2035 and beyond. HL3518

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have commissioned any research on a causal link between (1) an expansion of prison places and more custodial sentences, and (2) a reduction in violent and other serious crime episodes in a given period of time. HL3519

The Lord Bishop of Leicester to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Lord Markham on 11 March (HL Deb col 1802), and taking account of the latest Households Below Average Income data, which shows a 100,000 increase in the number of children living in absolute poverty in the past year, what assessment they have made of the impact on health and well-being of the two-child limit for child benefit; and what assessment they have made of the strengths and weaknesses of using the measure of absolute poverty rather than relative poverty. HL3520

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will publish the readiness criteria used for the managed migration to universal credit; and, if not, why. HL3521

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government how many river habitats in England have good ecological status; how many are polluted by chemical waste, including raw sewage and agricultural waste; and what steps they are taking to ensure the existing regulatory framework for managing the water environment in the UK is more effectively applied. HL3522

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the statement by Lord Cameron of Chipping Norton in a press release on 19 March that the new Article 23 National Security Legislation in Hong Kong "undermines Hong Kong's implementation of binding international obligations including the Sino-British Joint Declaration and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights", what steps they are taking to ensure that human rights and civil liberties in Hong Kong are protected. HL3523

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have spoken to Israeli authorities concerning the incident on 18 March when Philippe Lazzarini, the Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Commissioner-General of UNRWA, was denied entry to Gaza; and what assessment they have made of the incident. HL3524

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification report *Famine Review Committee: Gaza Strip, March 2024*, published on 18 March, what steps they are taking to prevent famine in Gaza. HL3525

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to liaise with the new US Special Envoy for Sudan, Tom Perriello, and to further develop a coordinated international response to help to bring an end to the conflict between the Sudanese Army and the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces. HL3526

The Marquess of Lothian to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether the Department for Education's teacher training recruitment targets for (1) secondary school teachers, and (2) primary school teachers, will be met this year. HL3527

Lord Mendelsohn to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the level of unmet need of immunocompromised patients for protection against COVID-19, and (2) whether the MHRA has sufficient staff so that it can appropriately prioritise regulatory decisions in support of such patients. HL3528

Baroness Merron to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential for community pharmacists to administer the MMR vaccine. HL3529

Baroness Merron to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 16 February (HL2398), whether they have increased the maximum funding for medical degree apprentices from £50,000 to £150,000 over the term of the course. HL3530

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, *Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues*, published on 21 March. HL3531

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide (1) an apology, and (2) compensation, to women born in the 1950s, as recommended by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman in its report, *Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues*, published on 21 March. HL3532

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to the National Rural Crime Network's call for the Home Office to undertake a comprehensive economic impact assessment of rural crime in its report *Rural Crime: Serious, Organised and International*, published on 10 March. HL3533

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to producing a rural crime strategy which would be fully integrated into the overall Government Crime Strategy, as called for in the National Rural Crime Network's recent report, *Rural Crime: Serious, Organised and International*, published on 10 March. HL3534

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the links between wildlife offences and the drugs trade, as highlighted in the report *Rural Crime: Serious, Organised and International* published by the National Rural Crime Network, published on 10 March. HL3535

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of value lost to the economy through period inequity, as set out in the report, *The State of Period Equity in the UK*, published by In Kind Direct on 29 February. HL3536

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the UK's decision to leave the EU on the UK's ability to track down or trace stolen plant and agricultural machinery. HL3537

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made, if any, of how many preventable hospitalisations have occurred as a result of medication shortages caused by Brexit. HL3538

The Earl of Sandwich to ask His Majesty's Government what explanation they have received from the Sudanese authorities for an air strike on a school in South Kordofan state on 14 March, which resulted in the deaths of 11 children and two teachers and multiple injuries. HL3539

The Earl of Sandwich to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the humanitarian situation in the area of Sudan held by the Sudan People's Liberation Movement–North; and what support has the UK provided to alleviate the severe food security situation in that area, in particular given that half a million internally displaced persons have sought refuge there. HL3540

The Earl of Sandwich to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of risk of damage to public highways from subsidence caused by global warming; what is the current budget for repairs following subsidence; and what grants are available to private landowners for such repairs. HL3541

The Lord Bishop of Southwark to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made in correcting the errors in the Person Centric Data Platform and Atlas system, which have led to the merging of different immigration records. HL3542

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, following reports that the economy returned to growth in January after entering a recession in the second half of 2023, what steps they are taking to (1) support, and (2) sustain positive momentum in, sectors of the economy which have shown signs of growth in 2024. HL3543

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of regional disparities in rental prices across the UK; and what steps they are taking to address affordability challenges for tenants. HL3544

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to implement contingency plans to manage the impact of the upcoming train strikes in April across multiple rail companies. HL3545

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by The Earl of Minto on 19 March (HL3052), to what extent they take into account (1) the age of nuclear test veterans, and (2) the public interest, when prioritising ministerial diary engagements. HL3546

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what restrictions, if any, exist for the movement of thawed COVID-19 vaccine products from Great Britain to Northern Ireland for commercial purposes as a consequence of provisions of the Northern Ireland Protocol. HL3547

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government whether the removal of restrictions on movement of human medicines from Great Britain to Northern Ireland, as a result of the Windsor Framework, and subsequently agreed to by the EU, also covers the movement of medical vaccines for human usage. HL3548

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]

21 February (6 March)

HL2647 Lord Dodds of Duncairn [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]

27 February (12 March)

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

1 March (15 March)

HL2934 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Business and Trade]

HL2969 Baroness Wolf of Dulwich [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2970 Baroness Wolf of Dulwich [Department of Health and Social Care]

4 March (18 March)

HL2971 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2972 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2978 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department of Health and Social Care]

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

HL2987 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3002 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department of Health and Social Care]

5 March (19 March)

HL3016 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

6 March (20 March)

HL3062 Baroness Hayman of Ullock [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

7 March (21 March)

HL3122 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3126 The Earl of Sandwich [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3127 The Earl of Sandwich [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3128 The Earl of Sandwich [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3136 Lord Trees [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

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

Business and Trade (2)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (8)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (5)

Health and Social Care (8)

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	26 March
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	27 March
Ministry for Poverty Prevention Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Litigation Funding Agreements (Enforceability) Bill [HL]	Government	
Committed to a Special Public Bill Committee		
Arbitration Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>) (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	27 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	25 March
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
Victims and Prisoners Bill (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	25 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>(Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent withheld; 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		
Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Bill <i>(Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent granted)</i>	Government	
Waiting for Third Reading		
Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill <i>(Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought)</i>	Government	26 March
Sent to the Commons		
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	

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

Draft Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

Draft Combined Authorities (Finance) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Contracts for Difference (Sustainable Industry Rewards) Regulations 2024

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

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 Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *(25 March)*

Draft Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (Financial Penalty) Regulations 2024 *(25 March)*

Draft Code of Practice on Dismissal and Re-Engagement *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (25 March)*

Draft Accounting Standards (Prescribed Bodies) (United States of America and Japan) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *(26 March)*

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Draft Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations (Amendment) Order 2024 *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (26 March)*

Draft Strategy and Policy Statement for Energy Policy in Great Britain *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (25 March)*

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Disapplication or Modification of Financial Regulator Rules in Individual Cases) Regulations 2024 *(26 March)*

Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Funding and Investment Strategy and Amendment) Regulations 2024 *17th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (26 March)*

Draft Official Controls (Fees and Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report*

Draft Fair Dealing Obligations (Milk) Regulations 2024 *16th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (25 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 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report*

Draft Veterinary Medicines (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2024 *18th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Economic Growth (Regulatory Functions) (Amendment) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report*

Draft Growth Duty: Statutory Guidance Refresh *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report*

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

Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 18th Report. Praying time ends 2 May*

National Health Service Commissioning Board and Clinical Commissioning Groups (Responsibilities and Standing Rules) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *18th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 2 May*

Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 2024 *18th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 May*

Infrastructure Planning (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024 *18th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 May*

Infrastructure Planning (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *18th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 May*

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*

Health Claims (Revocation) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires: 19 April*

Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires: 19 April*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

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*

Air Services Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia *Scrutiny period expires: 14 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*

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*

International Coffee Agreement 2022 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 12 March. Scrutiny period expires: 26 March*

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Monday 25 March

Food, Diet and Obesity Committee	Room 4	2.00pm
Preterm Birth Committee	Room 2	3.00pm
Modern Slavery Act 2015 Committee	Room 3	3.30pm
National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 8	4.00pm

Tuesday 26 March

Science and Technology Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 2	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 4	1.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 2	4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 3A	4.00pm
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	4.00pm

Wednesday 27 March

Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 3	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 4	10.30am

Wednesday 17 April

Constitution Committee		10.00am
Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Public Services Committee		3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm

Thursday 18 April

Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL] Committee	Room 2A	11.00am
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Thursday 25 April

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm
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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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Wednesday 22 May

Finance Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
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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 Thursday 21 March 2024

The House met at 11.00am.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Worcester.

1 Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest Rosamond Mary Monckton, MBE, having been created Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest, of Earlsdown in the County of East Sussex for life by Letters Patent dated in the forenoon of 12 March, was introduced between Lord Altrincham and Lord Laming, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 Baroness Smith of Llanfaes Carmen Ria Smith, having been created Baroness Smith of Llanfaes, of Llanfaes in the County of Ynys Môn, for life by Letters Patent dated in the forenoon of 13 March, was introduced between Lord Wigley and Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle, made and subscribed the solemn affirmation and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

Public Business

3 Household Support Fund: children's bed poverty A question was asked by the Lord Bishop of Manchester and answered by Viscount Younger of Leckie.

4 National minimum wage legislation A question was asked by Lord Sahota and answered by Lord Offord of Garvel.

5 LGBT veterans: financial redress A question was asked by Lord Cashman and answered by the Earl of Minto.

6 Asylum seekers: Rwanda A question was asked by Baroness Chakrabarti and answered by Lord Sharpe of Epsom.

7 Israel and Gaza Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon answered questions on an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Tuesday 19 March.

8 Hong Kong security legislation Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon answered questions on an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Wednesday 20 March.

9 Local government finances (*Balloted debate, 2½ hours*) Lord Shipley moved that this House takes note of current local government finances and the impact on local communities. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

10 Human rights: sportswashing (*Balloted debate, 2½ hours*) Lord Scriven moved 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. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 4.36pm until Friday 22 March at 10.00am.

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.

Command Papers

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

- 1 Pre-Legislative Scrutiny—Government Response to the Joint Committee on the Draft Mental Health Bill. (1036)
- 2 European Union—European Union Finances 2023: Statement on the implementation of the Withdrawal Agreement. (1043)

Affirmative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House for approval by resolution:

- 1 Draft Combined Authorities (Finance) (Amendment) Regulations 2024
- 2 Draft Contracts for Difference (Sustainable Industry Rewards) Regulations 2024

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (381)
- 2 Clergy Discipline (Amendment) Rules 2024 (387)
- 3 Windsor Framework (Implementation) Regulations 2024 (404)
- 4 Town and Country Planning (Former RAF Airfield Wethersfield) (Accommodation for Asylum-Seekers etc.) Special Development Order 2024 (411)
- 5 Town and Country Planning (Former RAF Scampton) (Accommodation for Asylum-Seekers etc.) Special Development Order 2024 (412)

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

The following paper was laid before the House by command of His Majesty, accompanied by an Explanatory Memorandum:

- 1 Air Services—Air Services Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (1049)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Air Publication 3376 Volume 1 (Seventeenth Edition) - Terms and Conditions of Service for Enlisted Aviators of the Royal Air Force
- 2 Air Publication 3392 Volume 7 Part 1 (Sixth Edition) - Regulations for the Reserve Air Forces
- 3 Air Publication 3393 Volume 1 (Twenty-eighth Edition) - Terms and Conditions of Service for Officers of the Royal Air Force
- 4 Expenditure Report under section 2 of the High-Speed Rail (Preparation) Act 2013 2022–23

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- 5 List of new and supplementary pensions granted under the Civil List Act 1972 2023–24
- 6 Report and Accounts of the Consumer Council for Water 2022–23
- 7 Report and Accounts of the Government Annuities Investment Fund 2023
- 8 Report by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman: Women’s State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated Issues
- 9 Report of the Care Quality Commission: Monitoring the Mental Health Act in 2022–23
- 10 Report of the Director of Legal Aid Casework 2022–23
- 11 Report on the Infrastructure (Financial Assistance) Act 2012 2022–23
- 12 Report under section 56(7) of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 on the renewal of call-out orders for various standing call-out orders for operations in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo and operations to counter the threat of Daesh
- 13 Workless households and educational attainment statutory indicators

