

HOUSE OF LORDS BUSINESS

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Items marked † are new or have been altered.

Wednesday 1 May 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government what proposals they are considering to reform the House of Lords, in particular with regard to the size of the House.

***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimates have been made of the distributable reserves of each water company now that OFWAT has taken powers under the Environment Act 2021 to change their licence conditions, including whether they can pay dividends.

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government, following recent announcements of proposed university staff cuts, what steps they are taking to support the study of the arts and humanities in higher education.

***Lord Moore of Etchingham** to ask His Majesty's Government how many small boats impounded from illegal migrants they have in their possession, and whether they plan to grant requests from the Ukrainian authorities to contribute these to the Ukrainian war effort.

Alternative Investment Fund Designation Bill [HL] Committee [Baroness Altmann]

†**Baroness Altmann** to move that the order of commitment be discharged.

Leasehold and Freehold Reform Bill Committee (day 4) [Baroness Scott of Bybrook] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 16th and 19th Reports from the Delegated Powers Committee*

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 (Dinner break business)*