

Friday 19 July 2024 at 10.00am

†**King's Speech** Adjourned Debate on the Motion that a Humble Address be presented to His Majesty as follows:

“Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the most gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.”

It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be creating opportunities: education, early years and health care.

Future Business**Monday 22 July 2024 at 2.30pm**

†**Lord Timpson**, and

†**Lord Hermer** will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that dentists in Northern Ireland will still be able to use amalgam fillings when the EU ban their use from January 2025.

***Lord Snape** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to meet the Royal Mail Group to discuss the Group's plans to end the carriage of mail by rail from October.

***Lord Colgrain** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they expect to meet the statutory timeframe within which a decision on the Lower Thames Crossing Development Consent Order must be made.

***Baroness Thornhill** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to review existing spending commitments made to local councils.

†*The Senior Deputy Speaker intends to move the following six motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately to the extent desired.*

Conduct The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Conduct Committee be appointed and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Garnier, L.
Kidron, B.
Mallalieu, B.

Manningham-Buller, B. (*Chair*)
Scriven, L.

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Items marked † are new or have been altered

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



That the following be appointed as lay external members of the Committee:

Cindy Butts	Andrea Coomber
Mark Castle OBE	Vanessa Davies

That the quorum of the Committee shall be three Lords members and two lay members;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have leave to report from time to time;

That the reports of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House;

That the evidence taken by the Committee in the last Parliament be referred to the Committee;

That the evidence taken by the Committee be published, if the Committee so wishes.

†**Finance** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Select Committee be appointed to support the House of Lords Commission by:

- (1) Considering expenditure on services provided from the Estimate for the House of Lords,
- (2) Reporting to the Commission on the forecast outturn, Estimate and financial plan submitted by the Management Board,
- (3) Monitoring the financial performance of the House Administration, and
- (4) Reporting to the Commission on the financial implications of significant proposals;

That, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Blake of Leeds, B.	Reay, L.
Buscombe, B.	Redesdale, L.
Courtown, E.	Stoneham of Droxford, L.
Goudie, B.	Young of Old Windsor, L.
Morse, L. (<i>Chair</i>)	

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have leave to report from time to time;

That the reports of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

†**House of Lords Commission** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Select Committee be appointed to provide high-level strategic and political direction for the House of Lords Administration on behalf of the House and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Gardiner of Kimble, L. (<i>Deputy Chair</i>)	Morse, L.
Kinnoull, E.	Newby, L.
McIntosh of Hudnall, B.	Scott of Needham Market, B.
McFall of Alcluith, L. (<i>Chair</i>)	Smith of Basildon, B.
McLoughlin, L.	True, L.

That Charlotte Moar and Nora Senior be appointed as external members of the Committee;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have leave to report from time to time;

That the reports of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

†**Liaison** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Select Committee be appointed to advise the House on the resources required for select committee work and to allocate resources between select committees; to review the select committee work of the House; to consider requests for Special Inquiry Committees and report to the House with recommendations; to ensure effective co-ordination between the two Houses; and to consider the availability of members to serve on committees; and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members together with the Senior Deputy Speaker be appointed to the Committee:

Bach, L.	Haskel, L.
Bichard, L.	Howe, E.
Blencathra, L.	Kinnoull, E.
Collins of Highbury, L.	Taylor of Holbeach, L.
Garden of Frognal, B.	Walmsley, B.

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the evidence taken by the Committee be published, if the Committee so wishes;

That the Committee have leave to report from time to time;

That the reports of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

†**Procedure and Privileges** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Select Committee on Procedure and Privileges be appointed; and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members together with the Senior Deputy Speaker be appointed to the Committee:

Bull, B.	Pitkeathley, B.
Haskel, L.	Sanderson of Welton, B.
Humphreys, B.	Sherbourne of Didsbury, L.
Kennedy of Southwark, L.	Smith of Basildon, B.
Kinnoull, E.	Stoneham of Droxford, L.
Lisvane, L.	Strathclyde, L.
McFall of Alcluith, L.	Taylor of Bolton, B.
McNally, L.	True, L.
Newby, L.	Williams of Trafford, B.

and that the following members be appointed as alternate members

Caithness, E.	Gohir, B.
Collins of Highbury, L.	Laming, L.
Goddard of Stockport, L.	

That the Committee have power to appoint sub-committees and that the Committee have power to appoint the Chairs of sub-committees;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have leave to report from time to time;

That the reports of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

†**Services** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Select Committee be appointed to support the House of Lords Commission by:

- (1) Agreeing day-to-day policy on member-facing services,
- (2) Providing advice on strategic policy decisions when sought by the Commission, and
- (3) Overseeing the delivery and implementation of both;

That, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Faulkner of Worcester, L.	McIntosh of Hudnall, B. (<i>Chair</i>)
Hogan-Howe, L.	Stedman-Scott, B.
Howard of Rising, L.	Stoneham of Droxford, L.
Hussein-Ece, B.	Wheeler, B.
Kinnoull, E.	Williams of Trafford, B.

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have leave to report from time to time;

That the reports of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

It is expected that the debate on the Humble Address will continue and that the principal topics for debate will be economic growth, infrastructure and employment.

Tuesday 23 July 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to secure multilateral consensus in advance of a political declaration at the United Nations General Assembly high-level meeting on antimicrobial resistance in September.

***Baroness Randerson** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for reviewing the impact of the decision to abandon plans to build further stages of HS2.

***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the financial resilience of England's water companies.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 19 July.

It is expected that the debate on the Humble Address will continue and that the principal topics for debate will be the constitution and devolution.

Wednesday 24 July 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the links between rising levels of mental health issues among school age children and poor school attendance; and what steps they are planning to take to address the situation.

***Lord Balfé** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to seek a closer relationship with the European Investment Bank to encourage investment in the United Kingdom.

***Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for the future of the local authority Household Support Fund, due to expire in September.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 22 July.

It is expected that the debate on the Humble Address will continue and that the principal topics for debate will be justice and home affairs.

Thursday 25 July 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Goldie** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made any decisions to pause expenditure on Ministry of Defence programmes; and, if so, on which programmes.

***Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve confidence in government and to ensure Ministers are held to a high standard.

***Baroness Chakrabarti** to ask His Majesty's Government, in the light of threats to fundamental rights and the rule of law, what plans they have to promote greater public information and education in this area.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 19 July, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 23 July.

It is expected that the debate on the Humble Address will conclude and that the principal topics for debate will be foreign affairs and defence.

Thursday 12 September 2024 at 11.00am

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to publish a new strategy for public libraries. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

Lord Popat to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to (1) raise awareness among United Kingdom businesses of commercial opportunities in African markets, and (2) support United Kingdom exports to Africa. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour) [1]*

Lord Forsyth of Drumlean to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect wild Atlantic salmon populations. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the impact of international conflict on children, and (2) the recommendations proposed by Save the Children in its report *Stop the War on Children: Let Children Live in Peace*, published in December 2023. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

Select Committee Reports

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

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* (Session 2023–24, HL Paper 17). *12 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, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 27). *28 December 2023*

Lord Ashton of Hyde to move that this House takes note of the Report from the International Relations and Defence Committee *Our friends in the North: UK strategy towards the Arctic* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 8). *29 November 2023*

Lord Ricketts to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *The Ukraine Effect: The impact of Russia’s invasion of Ukraine on the UK–EU relationship* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 48). *31 January*

Baroness Brown of Cambridge to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *Long-duration energy storage: get on with it* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 68). *13 March*

Baroness Stowell of Beeston to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications and Digital Committee *Large language models and generative AI* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 54). *2 February*

Lord Hollick to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Industry and Regulators Committee *Who watches the watchdogs? Improving the performance, independence and accountability of UK Regulators* (2nd Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 56). *8 February*

Baroness Parminter to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee *An extraordinary challenge: Restoring 30 per cent of our land and sea by 2030* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 234). *26 July 2023*

Baroness Parminter to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee *EV strategy: rapid recharge needed* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 51). *6 February*

Questions for Short Debate

These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 17 July as the reserve list, which may be used as lunch, dinner break, or last business.

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to improve productivity across the public sector.

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to address the number of children using vaping products.

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.

Lord Harrington of Watford to ask His Majesty’s Government what measures they intend to implement to attract more foreign direct investment to the United Kingdom.

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what are their priorities for rural communities over the next two years.

Baroness Wyld to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to ensure that perinatal mental health services are available and accessible to every woman who needs them.

Lord Herbert of South Downs to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to promote global agreement to tackle antimicrobial resistance, including drug-resistant tuberculosis, at the UN High-Level Meeting on antimicrobial resistance on 26 September.

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the state of NHS waiting lists for mental health treatment and care, and what immediate plans they have to improve the situation.

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to institute an inquiry into the factors which may have influenced the proportion of registered voters turning out to vote in the general election held on 4 July; and what plans they have to address the issue of low voter turnout.

Baroness Gohir to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce violence against Black, Asian and minority ethnic women and girls.

Baroness Lawlor to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to encourage universities to set up overseas institutions, to increase opportunities locally in developing economies and reduce net migration to the UK.

Lord Moynihan to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to promote, raise awareness of and encourage participation in sport and recreation for the benefits of health, longevity, fitness, skill, achievement, social interaction and wellbeing.

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

Lord Naseby to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to establish a form of modern 'national service'.

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to increase usage of local buses.

Questions for Short Debate ballot entries

The ballot for four Questions closes on Tuesday 12 September for debate in Grand Committee. A further 15 questions will be drawn as the reserve list to be taken in the Chamber if time allows and replace the existing list.

†**Lord Murphy of Torfaen** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support opera. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

†**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implications for economic engagement with China of Uyghur genocide, use of slave labour, and other human right violations. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 18 July and due for answer by 1 August.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the situation of women and girls in Afghanistan, including as gender apartheid; and what representations they are making to international bodies, including the International Criminal Court and the International Court of Justice (including under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women) about the plight of women and girls. HL105

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are planning to review the approaches taken to address the involvement of UK citizens and residents in the Yazidi genocide; and whether they are initiating and pursuing judicial proceedings for genocide, crimes against humanity, or war crimes inflicted on the Yazidi people. HL106

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to mark the upcoming 10th anniversary of the Yazidi genocide (on 3 August); and what practical assistance they are offering to the Yazidi people, in the context of the cessation of the work of the UN investigation team to promote accountability for crimes committed by Da'esh/ISIL, and of reports that Yazidis are being forced out of internally displaced persons camps. HL107

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made, in approving Canadian Solar's application for the Mallard Pass solar power project, of the use of Uyghur slave labour within Canadian Solar's supply chains. HL108

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Pakistani Minorities, *Exploitation Of Bonded Brick Kiln Labourers In Pakistan: The Unseen Modern-Day Slavery*, published on 29 May; whether they intend to act on the report's recommendations, especially in regard to the use of UK development aid in combatting the exploitation of Pakistan's minorities, particularly women and children; and whether they will draw the report and its recommendations to the attention of the government of Pakistan. HL109

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Markham on 26 March (HL3163), in each year since 2014, how many prescriptions for vortioxetine were issued; what was the annual cost to the National Health Service of those prescriptions; how many Yellow Card reports of sexual dysfunction and persistent sexual dysfunction the MHRA received for vortioxetine; and what consideration has NHS England given to adding sexual dysfunction as a side effect on the patient information leaflets for vortioxetine. HL110

Lord Balfre to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to introduce legislation to end the anomaly whereby many Ministers, particularly in the Lords, are unpaid; and which Ministers are currently unpaid. HL111

Lord Balfre to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue the practice of appointing unpaid Trade Envoys; and, if so, whether they intend to make the appointment process and the duties involved more transparent. HL112

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to commission a study on the benefits and disbenefits of the UK's departure from the EU, and in particular its impact on the UK economy. HL113

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty's Government whether they propose to issue a code of behaviour requiring Ministers and their advisers to be respectful in their dealings with civil servants, including banning the use of foul language in the workplace. HL114

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to commission an inquiry into the state of public service broadcasting in the UK. HL115

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they will consult with motor vehicle manufacturers about introducing measures to eliminate the cloning of owners’ remote locking devices by car thieves.
HL116

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty’s Government what are the geographic locations, where known, of the main addresses for all living recipients of Companions of Honour.
HL117

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty’s Government how many honours, by each award level, were received in each region or nation of the UK in the Birthday Honours 2024; and what percentage of the population of each such region or nation that number represents.
HL118

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty’s Government how many honours above OBE level were awarded to people who were (1) living in, or (2) working or providing service to, the South Yorkshire area at the time of their nomination for an honour in the Birthday Honours 2024 list.
HL119

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty’s Government how many residents received an award above the level of MBE in the combined Mayoral authority of South Yorkshire.
HL120

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty’s Government how many of the recipients of honours in the Birthday Honours 2024 list have already received recognition in previous honours lists.
HL121

Lord Campbell-Savours to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker how many current members of the House of Lords will be aged 80 or over by 1 June 2029; and what is the breakdown by party group, including cross-bench membership.
HL122

Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty’s Government when the invitation to tender for the next contract to provide spoken word translation and interpreting services for HM Courts and Tribunals Service will be issued.
HL123

Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty’s Government whether the public consultation on the proposed amendments to the Victims’ Code under the Victims and Prisoners Act 2024 has been launched; and if not, when this will happen.
HL124

Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty’s Government how they will elicit views on the NHS Constitution consultation from people whose first language is not English, especially those who are high users of NHS services.
HL125

Baroness Fraser of Craigmaddie to ask His Majesty’s Government what is the current status of the Music and Dance Scheme for school pupils and the Dance and Drama Awards for students.
HL126

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty’s Government when they expect new guidance on the treatment of politically exposed persons to be implemented.
HL127

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty’s Government what discussions they have had with NHS England about whether biological sex determines which chaperone to be offered to patients who request a chaperone of a particular sex.
HL128

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty’s Government what discussions they have had with Sport England about the options for children in responding to questionnaires of “Boy/ Girl/ Other/ Prefer not to say”.
HL129

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty’s Government whether public money grants to bodies such as ParkRun are conditional on them adhering to the Public Sector Equality Duty; and whether particular funds to promote women’s activity rates then collect monitoring data by biological sex.
HL130

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty’s Government what discussions they have had with the General Medical Council about its policy of describing doctors on its register by gender rather than by sex.
HL131

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for introducing legislation to introduce a close season for hares in England, following the publication of DEFRA's Action Plan for Animal Welfare in 2021; and what plans they have for a consultation with stakeholders in that regard.

HL132

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what evaluation they have made of the accuracy of recent economic predictions made by the Office of Budget Responsibility.

HL133

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take to safeguard Parliamentary sovereignty and Ministerial accountability following the passage of the Budget Responsibility Bill, given that it will provide expanded powers to the Office of Budget Responsibility.

HL134

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to ban bottom trawl fishing in marine protected areas; and if so, when.

HL135

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to publish the equality impact assessment for the transition to eVisas, which is already underway.

HL136

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government, regarding the transition to eVisas, what steps they are taking to ensure that individuals who miss an application deadline due to difficulties in accessing their digital status, will not lose their leave to remain or are otherwise penalised as a result.

HL137

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government what support will be in place for the 200,000 people, as estimated by the Home Office, with old paper legacy documents to make a 'no time limit' application, taking into account the particular needs of elderly and vulnerable individuals who may struggle to provide evidence of their residence or navigate the process without legal advice.

HL138

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government how many people the Home Office has contacted individually about the need to create a UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) account; how many people have so far set up a UKVI account since the start of the eVisa transition process; and what proportion of the total eligible for a UKVI account this represents.

HL139

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government whether they can provide an update on what provisions will be in place to support people experiencing homelessness in navigating the transition to eVisas, including whether discretion will be given to those who miss application deadlines because of difficulties stemming from the digital transition.

HL140

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the joint report by the APPGs on Poverty and on Migration, *The Effects of the UK Immigration, Asylum and Refugee Policy on Poverty*, published on 30 April.

HL141

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the approval of the Sunnica, Gate Burton and Mallard Pass solar farms on food production.

HL142

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the amount of (1) Grade 1, (2) Grade 2, (3) Grade 3A, and (4) Grade 3B, land that will be used to deliver their pledge to double onshore wind and triple solar power by 2030.

HL143

Lord Patten to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the level of ageism in England and Wales; and whether it is decreasing or increasing.

HL144

Lord Patten to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of current legislation in combating ageism.

HL145

Lord Rennard to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to undertake a review of the Public Duty Costs Allowance.

HL146

Lord Rennard to ask His Majesty's Government whether visits to the Republican Convention by former Prime Ministers could qualify for expenditure under the Public Duty Costs Allowance; and what further information they can provide on claims made under the scheme. HL147

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what further steps they will take to ensure that the Respiratory Syncytial Virus vaccine is commissioned for all infants for the 2024/25 winter season sessions. HL148

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what further discussions will take place about the commissioning of the Respiratory Syncytial Virus vaccine for all infants for the (1) 2024/25, and (2) 2025/26, winter season sessions. HL149

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to (1) monitor, and (2) evaluate, the long-term impacts of immigration on (a) innovation, (b) productivity, and (c) public finances. HL150

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, following concerns raised by the head of the British Olympic Association, what steps they are taking to increase investment in sports infrastructure. HL151

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the regulation of artificial intelligence (1) does not negatively impact innovation, and (2) maintains the UK's competitive advantage. HL152

Baroness Thomas of Winchester to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to change the personal independence payment assessment. HL153

The Lord Bishop of Winchester to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to appoint a Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion or Belief, in line with recommendation 6 of the 'Truro' Review of 2019. HL154

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many Higher Technical Qualifications have now, in total, been approved for teaching. HL155

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many students were registered for Higher Technical Qualifications in the 2022–23 academic year. HL156

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many people have achieved a Higher Technical Qualification to date. HL157

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many people completed a Higher Technical Qualification successfully in the 2022–23 academic year. HL158

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many 17–18 year-olds, and what proportion of the year 13 cohort in England, took (1) one A Level, and (2) two or more A Levels, in (a) 1995, (b) 2010, (c) 2020, and (d) 2023. HL159

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Referred to the Examiners		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	
Waiting for Second Reading		
Arbitration Bill [HL]	Government	
Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]	Government	
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL]	Government	

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

Draft Students' Unions (Freedom of Speech) (Monetary Penalties) (England) Regulations 2024

Draft European Forest Institute (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2024

Draft Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Vehicle Drivers (Certificates of Professional Competence) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Armed Forces Act 2006 (Continuation) Order 2024

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ombudsman Scheme) (Fees) Regulations 2024

Draft Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024

Draft Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations (Sustainable Aviation Fuel) Order 2024

Draft Government of Wales Act 2006 (Devolved Welsh Authorities) (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Ivory Act 2018 (Meaning of "Ivory" and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024

Draft Information Sharing (Disclosure by the Registrar) Regulations 2024

Draft Registrar (Identity Verification and Authorised Corporate Service Providers) Regulations 2024

Draft Separation of Waste (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

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

Draft Global Combat Air Programme International Government Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2024

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

Draft Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Requisite and Minimum Custodial Periods) Order 2024

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Local Digital Television Programme Services (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Magistrates' Courts Fees (Amendment) Order 2024

Negative Instruments

Immigration (Guidance on Detention of Vulnerable Persons) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report, Session 2023–24. Praying time ends 23 July*

Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Fees and Records) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 26th Report, Session 2023–24. Praying time ends 30 July*

Official Controls (Establishment Lists) (Revocation) Regulations 2024 *26th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2023–24. Praying time ends 30 July*

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

Companies Act 2006 (Recognition of Third Country Qualifications and Practical Training) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires: 22 July*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

Amending Protocol between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Moldova to extend Amending Agreement No. 1 between the two countries to amend the Strategic Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the two countries *Scrutiny period expires: 14 October*

Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday 18 July 2024

The House met at 11.00am.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham.

1 **Lord Vallance of Balham** Sir Patrick John Thompson Vallance, KCB, having been created Baron Vallance of Balham, of Balham in the London Borough of Wandsworth for life by Letters Patent dated in the forenoon of 17 July, was introduced between Baroness Jones of Whitchurch and Baroness Manningham-Buller, made and subscribed the solemn affirmation and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 **Baroness Smith of Malvern** The Rt Hon Jacqueline Jill Smith, having been created Baroness Smith of Malvern, of Malvern in the County of Worcestershire for life by Letters Patent dated in the afternoon of 17 July, was introduced between Baroness Morris of Yardley and Baroness Merron, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

3 **Oaths** The following Lords took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the code of Conduct:

Aeneas Simon Lord Reay

Jasset David Cody Lord Harlech

Simon Andrew Lord Woolley of Woodford

David Edmond Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury

Roualeyn Robert Lord Thurlow

Caroline Anne Baroness Cox

Ann Baroness Mallalieu

John Anderson Lord Cunningham of Felling

4 **Leave of Absence** The leave of absence granted to the following members was ended with effect from 24 May 2024:

Lord Christopher

Lord Cooper of Windrush

Lord Hanningfield

Lord Irvine of Lairg

Lord Malloch-Brown

Lord Phillips of Worth Matravers

Baroness Scotland of Asthal

5 **Leave of Absence** Leave of absence was granted to Lord Geidt for the remainder of this Session.

Public Business

6 **Arbitration Bill [HL]** Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede presented a bill to amend the Arbitration Act 1996. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 1)

7 **Arbitration Bill [HL]** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 1–EN)

8 **Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]** Lord Kennedy of Southwark, on behalf of Lord Livermore, presented a bill to make provision about recapitalisation costs in relation to the special resolution regime under the Banking Act 2009. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 2)

9 **Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 2–EN)

10 **Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL]** Lord Collins of Highbury presented a bill to make provision about the status of, and privileges and immunities in connection with, the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and the International Committee of the Red Cross; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 3)

11 **Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL]** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 3–EN)

12 **Conduct** Baroness Manningham-Buller moved that the Report from the Select Committee *The conduct of Lord Ranger of Northwood* (4th Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 117) be agreed to. Then Baroness Manningham-Buller moved to resolve that, in accordance with Standing Order 11, Lord Ranger of Northwood be suspended from the service of the House for a period of three weeks; and that, in accordance with section 1 of the House of Lords (Expulsion and Suspension) Act 2015, in the opinion of this House, the conduct giving rise to this resolution occurred after the coming into force of that Act. The motion was agreed to. The motion was agreed to.

13 **Committee of Selection** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved that in accordance with Standing Order 62 a Committee of Selection be appointed to select and propose to the House the names of the members to form each select committee of the House (except the Committee of Selection itself and any committee otherwise provided for by statute or by order of the House) or any other body not being a select committee referred to it by the Senior Deputy Speaker, and the panel of Deputy Chairmen of Committees; and that the following members together with the Senior Deputy Speaker be appointed to the Committee:

Bichard, L.	Newby, L.
Geddes, L.	Smith of Basildon, B.
Jones, L.	Stoneham of Droxford, L.
Kennedy of Southwark, L.	True, L.
Kinnoull, E.	Williams of Trafford, B.

The motion was agreed to.

14 **King’s Speech** The debate on the motion that a Humble Address be presented to His Majesty was resumed and, after further debate, was again adjourned until 19 July.

15 **Holocaust Memorial Bill** The bill, having been brought from the Commons was, pursuant to the resolution of 23 October 2023, deemed to have been read a first time and referred to the Examiners; the Bill was ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 4)

16 **Holocaust Memorial Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 4–EN)

17 **Oaths and affirmations** The following Lords took and subscribed the oath, or made and subscribed the solemn affirmation, and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct:

John Desmond Forbes Viscount Waverley

Nicholas Herbert Lord Stern of Brentford

The House adjourned at 6.07pm until Friday 19 July 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.

Instruments Withdrawn

The following affirmative instruments, laid before the House on the dates shown, were withdrawn:

- 1 Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (20 May)
- 2 Draft Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships (Protection and Disclosure of Information and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024 (22 May)

Command Papers

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

- 1 Immigration—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Albania on the Readmission of Persons. (1110)
- 2 Elections—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg on the Participation in Certain Elections of Nationals of Each Country Resident in the Territory of the Other. (1111)
- 3 Social Security—Convention on Social Security Coordination between the United Kingdom and the Swiss Confederation. (1112)
- 4 Taxation—Protocol amending the Convention between the United Kingdom and the Federal Republic of Germany for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital signed at London on 30 March 2010, as amended by the Protocol signed at London on 17 March 2014. (1113)
- 5 Transport—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Azerbaijan on International Road Transport. (1114)

Negative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House:

- 1 Statute, made by the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge on 11 March, amending the existing Statutes of the University (—)

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 Trade—Amending Protocol between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Moldova to extend Amending Agreement No. 1 between the two countries to amend the Strategic Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the two countries (1121)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Fitness to Practise Report of the Nursing and Midwifery Council 2023–24
- 2 Fitness to Practise Statistics Report of the General Medical Council 2023

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- 3 Report and Accounts of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service 2023–24
- 4 Report and Accounts of the Charity Commission 2023–24
- 5 Report and Accounts of the General Dental Council 2023
- 6 Report and Accounts of the General Medical Council 2023
- 7 Report and Accounts of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England 2023–24
- 8 Report and Accounts of the National Lottery Distribution Fund Investment Account 2023–24
- 9 Report and Accounts of the Nursing and Midwifery Council for 2023–2024 and Strategic Plan for 2024–2026
- 10 Report and Accounts of the Office for Budget Responsibility 2023–24
- 11 Report and Accounts of the Oil and Gas Authority 2023–24
- 12 Report and Accounts of the United Kingdom Debt Management Office and the Debt Management Account 2023–24
- 13 Report and Accounts of the UK Statistics Authority 2023–24
- 14 Report and Financial Statements of the Information Commissioner 2023–24
- 15 Report by the Climate Change Committee on Progress in reducing emissions
- 16 Report of the Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service 2023
- 17 Report of the UK Covid-19 Inquiry: Module 1: The resilience and preparedness of the United Kingdom
- 18 State of Policing: Annual Assessment of Policing in England and Wales 2023 by His Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Constabulary

