

Thursday 5 September 2024 at 11.00am

Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard, and

Lord Brady of Altrincham will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the ability of current online safety legislation to regulate abuse, including racism, Islamophobia, homophobia, and sectarianism, on social media platforms.

***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have held with European countries regarding Ukraine and its war with Russia.

***Lord Harris of Haringey** to ask His Majesty's Government how many alerts have been sent using the Emergency Alert service since the national test in April 2023; and when the next national test of the system will take place.

***Lord Bellingham** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have received following their announcement to restrict certain arms sales to Israel.

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

Consolidation etc. Bills The Senior Deputy Speaker to move, in accordance with Standing Order 50 that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following Lords be appointed to join with a Committee of the Commons as the Joint Committee on Consolidation etc Bills:

Andrews, B.	Razzall, L.
Bridgeman, V.	Rowlands, L.
D'Souza, B.	Seccombe, B.
Eames, L.	Thomas of Cwmgiedd, L.
Eccles, V.	(Chair)
Hanworth, V.	Thomas of Winchester, B.
Mallalieu, B.	

That the Committee have power to agree with the Committee appointed by the Commons in the appointment of a Chair;

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 be published, if the Committee so wishes.

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Items marked † are new or have been altered

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



Human Rights The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Select Committee be appointed to join with a Committee appointed by the Commons as the Joint Committee on Human Rights:

To consider:

- (1) matters relating to human rights in the United Kingdom (but excluding consideration of individual cases);
- (2) proposals for remedial orders, draft remedial orders and remedial orders made under section 10 of and laid under Schedule 2 to the Human Rights Act 1998; and
- (3) in respect of draft remedial orders and remedial orders, whether the special attention of the House should be drawn to them on any of the grounds specified in Standing Order 74 (Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments);

To report to the House:

- (1) in relation to any document containing proposals laid before the House under paragraph 3 of the said Schedule 2, its recommendation whether a draft order in the same terms as the proposals should be laid before the House; or
- (2) in relation to any draft order laid under paragraph 2 of the said Schedule 2, its recommendation whether the draft Order should be approved;

and to have power to report to the House on any matter arising from its consideration of the said proposals or draft orders; and

To report to the House in respect of any original order laid under paragraph 4 of the said Schedule 2, its recommendation whether:

- (1) the order should be approved in the form in which it was originally laid before Parliament; or
- (2) the order should be replaced by a new order modifying the provisions of the original order; or
- (3) the order should not be approved; and to have power to report to the House on any matter arising from its consideration of the said order or any replacement order;

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

Alton of Liverpool, L.

Lawrence of Clarendon, B.

Dholakia, L.

Murray of Blidworth, L.

Kennedy of The Shaws, B.

That the Committee have power to agree with the Committee appointed by the Commons in the appointment of a Chair;

That the quorum of the Committee shall be two;

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

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have power to meet outside Westminster;

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.

National Security Strategy The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that a Committee of ten members be appointed to join with a Committee appointed by the Commons as the Joint Committee on the National Security Strategy, to consider the National Security Strategy; and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Browne of Ladyton, L.	Robathan, L.
Butler of Brockwell, L.	Sarfraz, L.
Crawley, B.	Snape, L.
Dannatt, L.	Stansgate, V.
Fall, B.	Tyler of Enfield, B.

That the Committee have power to agree with the Committee appointed by the Commons in the appointment of a Chair;

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

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have power to meet outside Westminster in the United Kingdom;

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.

Statutory Instruments The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that in accordance with Standing Order 74 and the resolution of the House of 16 December 1997 that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to join with the Committee of the Commons as the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments:

Beith, L.	Sahota, L.
Chartres, L.	Sater, B.
Haselhurst, L.	Watson of Wyre Forest, L.
Meston, L.	

That the Committee have power to agree with the Committee appointed by the Commons in the appointment of a Chair;

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.

Lord Carrington of Fulham to move that this House takes note of the role of Modern Methods of Construction in the housing construction sector. (*Balloted debate, 1½ hours*)

Baroness Cumberlege to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in ensuring that those who have suffered complications following vaginal mesh implants receive financial compensation. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

Lord Lexden to move that this House takes note of the contribution of independent schools, and any potential effects that changes to the VAT exemption for independent school fees could have. (*Balloted debate, 3½ hours*) [I]

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL] Committee [Lord Livermore]

Future Business

Friday 6 September 2024 at 10.00am

Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Farmer]

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

†**Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Lord Redesdale] *1st Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

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

Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL] Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to move that the bill be withdrawn.

Monday 9 September 2024 at 2.30pm

Lord Cryer, and

Lord Sharma will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Davies of Brixton** to ask His Majesty's Government how many people (1) claimed, and (2) were eligible to claim, Pension Credit in each of the past three financial years.

***Baroness Gohir** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the drivers of hate crime against Muslims in Britain, and what steps they are taking to challenge anti-Muslim prejudice and anti-Muslim hate crime.

***Lord Wood of Anfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to implement the recommendations of the 2022 Independent Review of Children's Social Care.

***Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide longer-term support to the local bus sector.

†*In the event that the Budget Responsibility Bill has been brought from the Commons, it is expected that the second reading and remaining stages will be taken.*

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).

Tuesday 10 September 2024 at 2.30pm

Baroness Batters, and

Baroness Harman will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Aberdare** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to end the practice of cash retentions in the construction sector.

***Lord Farmer** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report, *Making the grade: Prioritising performance in Whitehall*, published by Reform on 1 May; and what steps they are taking in response.

***Lord Touhig** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue the work programme set out in the Buckland Review of Autism Employment.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 6 September.

Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL] The Senior Deputy Speaker to move this House resolves that the promoters of the Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL], which was originally introduced in this House in Session 2022–23 on 23 January 2023, should have leave to proceed with the Bill in the current Session according to the provisions of Private Business Standing Order 150B (*Revival of bills*).

Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Smith of Basildon]

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

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. (*1½ hours*)

It is expected that the Grand Committee on the Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL] will continue at 1.00pm in the Moses Room, and that it will conclude.

Wednesday 11 September 2024 at 3.00pm

Lord Beamish, and

Lord Grayling will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Rooker** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to update the Bread and Flour Regulations 1998.

***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of people with diagnosed HIV in England who are not accessing HIV care.

***Lord Snape** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue with the Road Investment Strategy 2: 2020–2025; and what are their plans for the road network.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 5 September; to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 9 September.

Arbitration Bill [HL] Committee [Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede]

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL] Committee [Lord Collins of Highbury]

The following three motions are expected to be debated together:

Baroness Altmann to move that an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that the Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 (SI 2024/869), laid before the House on 22 August, be annulled because they would significantly reduce state support for pensioners without sufficient warning and without a proper impact assessment, and because they present a significant risk to the health and wellbeing of many pensioners on low incomes. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

Baroness Stedman-Scott to move that this House regrets (1) that the Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations (SI 2024/869), laid before the House on 22 August, will leave pensioners worse off in winter; (2) the decision to prioritise above-inflation pay rises for unionised public sector professionals over the needs of the elderly, including many households that are eligible for Pension Credit but do not claim it; and (3) the lack of transparency on these policy decisions during the election period. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

Lord Palmer of Childs Hill to move that this House regrets that the Social Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 (SI 2024/869), laid before the House on 22 August, will remove support from many of the poorest pensioners at the same time as the energy price cap is being lifted; and calls on the Government (1) to take steps to identify those who are eligible for pension credit but do not claim it so that they can receive both benefits; (2) to support vulnerable pensioners this winter; and (3) to take action to end fuel poverty, including with an emergency home insulation programme and a windfall tax on the profits of oil and gas companies. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

Baroness Parminter to move that the Grand Committee 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).

Thursday 12 September 2024 at 11.00am

Lord Booth-Smith, and

Baroness May of Maidenhead will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Dubs** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they plan to take, if any, to prevent the spread of false information through electronic media.

***The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of NFU Mutual’s Rural Crime Report 2024, published on 1 August.

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they intend to negotiate the United Kingdom rejoining the Erasmus+ Programme.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 6 September; to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 10 September.

Lord Hogan-Howe to move that this House takes note of the safety and regulation issues involved in the use of pedal cycles on the road network.

Baroness Burt of Solihull to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they will take to address challenges around prison capacities, and to ensure the safety and wellbeing needs of vulnerable prisoners. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

Lord Krebs to move that this House takes note of the current challenges of higher education funding.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

Baroness Sanderson of Welton 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)*

FUTURE BUSINESS

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)*

Friday 13 September 2024 at 10.00am

Lord Collins of Highbury to move that this House takes note of the situation in Sudan.

Motions for Balloted Debate

The ballot to select two motions for debate closes on Tuesday 10 September to be drawn on Wednesday 11 September, for debate on Thursday 17 October. Combined time limit of 5 hours.

Baroness Hooper to move that this House takes note of the UK's relations with Latin American countries in the light of recent political, trade and environmental developments.

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to move that this House takes note of the case for a comprehensive social care strategy.

Lord Berkeley to move that this House takes note of the ongoing reduction in fuel duty revenue as a result of the growth in electric vehicle use, and the potential for recouping this loss through road pricing.

Baroness Thornhill to move that this House takes note of the case for a cross-departmental approach to reducing homelessness.

Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale to move that this House takes note of the impact of conflict, extreme poverty and climate-related emergencies globally; and of the progress towards achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Lord Bach to move that this House takes note of the potential benefits of increasing the amount of early legal advice given to those considering entering into legal proceedings, and of increasing the availability of legal aid for this purpose.

Lord Lucas to move that this House takes note of the economic challenges facing coastal communities and ways of providing long-term solutions to them.

†**Baroness Hoey** to move that this House takes note of the impact of the Windsor Framework on democracy within the United Kingdom.

Select Committee Reports

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

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*

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*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to move that this House takes note of the Immigration (Guidance on Detention of Vulnerable Persons) Regulations 2024, laid before the House on 30 April (SI 2024/573). *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report, Session 2023–24*

Baroness Hoey to move that an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that the Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Plant and Animal Health) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2024 (SI 2024/853), laid before the House on 9 August, be annulled.

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 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.

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 15 October for debate in Grand Committee on Thursday 31 October. 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 Patel to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve cancer outcomes in England through early diagnosis, improvement in care, and research. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Lord McColl of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to encourage greater candour and accuracy of statements in public life as expressed in the King's Speech. (*Cabinet Office*)

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. (*Home Office*)

Lord Hain to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, if any, to build support for a new International Anti-Corruption Court. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

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 the homes people want, in the places they want to live, whilst ensuring that development does not adversely affect existing communities. (*Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government*)

Lord Trefgarne to ask His Majesty's Government whether deterrence remains a core element of the United Kingdom's defence policy. (*Ministry of Defence*)

Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current position regarding diagnosis and treatment of myalgic encephalomyelitis. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Lord Foster of Bath to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the prevalence of gambling harms experienced by the population as highlighted by the recent statistics published by the Gambling Commission. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

The Earl of Clancarty to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will make a formal assessment of the effect of the UK leaving the EU on the arts and creative industries. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to review the operation of the Carer's Allowance, including the repayments regime to assist family carers. (*Department for Work and Pensions*)

†**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what are their priorities for rural communities for the next two years. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 4 September and due for answer by 18 September.

Lord Balfe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Baroness Sherlock on 3 September (HL Deb col 1046), what aspects of domestic law have been in breach of the provisions of the Additional Protocol to the European Social Charter and the Revised European Social Charter 1996, preventing their ratification; and what is the legislative timetable for correcting these breaches. HL735

Lord Bradshaw to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to revise the factors they take into account when considering the suitability of individuals to be nominated for a life peerage. HL736

Lord Bradshaw to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of fee-charging agencies offering coaching to prospective applicants for membership of the House. HL737

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the current state of the global crude oil fleet, and (2) the number of vessels that have 'gone dark' since Russia's invasion of Ukraine. HL738

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Health and Safety Executive will have regard to the environmental principles policy statement when formulating its final restriction opinion on the risks to human health and the environment of using lead in ammunition. HL739

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the last Valuation Office Agency business rates revaluation on critical national infrastructure, including airports and power stations. HL740

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the scale of innovation in the UK's defence and security sector, in the light of the success of non-legacy defence contractors in recent US procurement rounds. HL741

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to assess whether current investor-state dispute settlement mechanisms within treaties to which the UK is a signatory have produced outcomes that are in the UK's national interest. HL742

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede on 24 July (HL Deb col 501), what further discussions, if any, have taken place about the formulation and timetabling of anti-SLAPP legislation. HL743

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the long-term (1) cost, and (2) sustainability, of public sector pensions; and what assessment they have made of how such pensions compare to those paid in the private sector. HL744

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to review the level of state contributions to public sector pensions. HL745

Lord Forsyth of Drumlean to ask His Majesty's Government what are the salaries and allowances of each of the Ministers and Whips in the House of Lords. HL746

The Lord Bishop of Gloucester to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the intensification of land confiscation, settlement construction and settlement expansion in the Occupied Palestinian Territories since 7 October 2023. HL747

Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to introduce secondary legislation under Schedule 17 to the Environment Act 2021; and what plans they have to review the regulations once implemented. HL748

Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to carry out a monitoring report of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership, including its environmental impact and impact on deforestation; whether they will include opportunities for expert stakeholders to provide their views and evidence; and how often they plan to carry out such a report. HL749

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with arm's-length bodies regarding civil action being taken against their staff due to gender-critical views. HL750

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty's Government whether government departments give equal consideration and status to staff sex equality and equity networks as they do to LGBT+ and other diversity groupings. HL751

Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town to ask His Majesty's Government what is their policy on Civil Service and other Government staff adding membership or support logos to their official email or correspondence signatures. HL752

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government why it is not possible to export Zolvix from Great Britain to Northern Ireland. HL753

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government which 10 local authorities in the UK had the most asylum seekers supported by the Home Office by proportion of population in the most recent year for which figures are available. HL754

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government which 10 local authorities in the UK had the most asylum seekers in the most recent year for which figures are available, and how much funding each of those 10 local authorities received to support asylum seekers. HL755

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government how many foreign prisoners are currently in prisons in England and Wales, what proportion that represents of the prison population, what proportion are sentenced for criminal offences making them eligible for deportation, and from which 10 countries the highest number of prisoners come. HL756

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government who are the members of the Health and Safety Executive's UK Rodenticide Stewardship Government Oversight Group that oversees second generation anticoagulant rodenticides and their effect on non-target species. HL757

Baroness Redfern to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to upgrade the ultrasound and x-ray equipment and software used in breast cancer screening units, to improve breast cancer detection; and what is their estimate of the proportion of units that have access to upgraded software and equipment. HL758

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve (1) the diagnosis of autism, and (2) support for those who are assessed as having autism. HL759

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue their partnership with the British Standards Institute on creating high-integrity natural capital and carbon offsetting standards. HL760

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what consultation and information gathering on food security and rural employment they undertook prior to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero's decision to approve large new solar farms on agricultural land. HL761

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the Woodland Carbon Code and Peatland Carbon Code are certified under the Integrity Council on Voluntary Carbon Market's Core Carbon Principles. HL762

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether their planned land use framework will consider renewable energy and other development, as well as food security and nature recovery. HL763

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they are making to allow for the entry of Woodland Carbon Units and Peatland Carbon Units into the UK Emissions Trading Scheme. HL764

Lord Rogan to ask His Majesty's Government when the regeneration funds of £20 million each for Londonderry and Coleraine, announced on 6 March, will be released. HL765

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Sherlock on 5 August (HL273), when they will review their commitments in the *Disability Action Plan*, published on 5 February; and where they will publish their response. HL766

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Collins of Highbury on 1 August (HL313), what recent conversations they have had with other states regarding the timelines of replenishment for major global health multilaterals. HL767

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had, if any, with train operating companies regarding the practice of conducting ticket checks at the footbridge of Sheffield railway station, which is a public right of way. HL768

Baroness Secombe to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to amend the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Act 1995. HL769

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of increasing housing costs. HL770

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address teacher shortages. HL771

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increasing number of migrant deaths when attempting to cross the English Channel. HL772

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government when the application by China to situate its embassy in a new site in London is expected to be determined; and whether they anticipate any delay to that process, and if so, why. HL773

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the results of the Contracts for Difference Allocation Round 6, which allocated 1.63 per cent of the total megawatts available to applicants from Wales, with which stakeholders in Wales they held discussions prior to reaching that decision. HL774

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the results for floating offshore wind project applications in the Contracts for Difference Allocation Round 6, on what basis were (1) 400 megawatts of contracts awarded to projects in Scotland, and (2) no contracts awarded to projects in Wales. HL775

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.

23 July (6 August)

HL279 Lord Watson of Wyre Forest [Ministry of Defence]

30 July (13 August)

HL479 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Ministry of Defence]

HL536 Lord Scriven [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL540 Baroness Smith of Llanfaes [Leader of the House of Lords]

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

Leader of the House of Lords (1)

Defence (2)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (1)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	6 September
Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]	Private Member's	6 September
Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	10 September
Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	6 September
Education (Values of British Citizenship) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Environmental Targets (Public Authorities) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Water (Special Measures) Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Imprisonment for Public Protection (Re-sentencing) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill (<i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Committed to a Select Committee		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	
Committed to a Grand Committee		
Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]	Government	5 September
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL]	Government	11 September
Arbitration Bill [HL] (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	11 September
Crown Estate Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

Draft European Forest Institute (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2024

Draft Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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Draft Vehicle Drivers (Certificates of Professional Competence) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Armed Forces Act 2006 (Continuation) Order 2024

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ombudsman Scheme) (Fees) Regulations 2024 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

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

Draft Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations (Sustainable Aviation Fuel) Order 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Disability Assistance) (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024

Draft Human Medicines (Amendments Relating to Naloxone and Transfers of Functions) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

Draft Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Juxtaposed Controls) (Amendment) Order 2024

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

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2024

Draft Carbon Dioxide Transport and Storage (Determination of Turnover for Penalties) Regulations 2024

Draft Contracts for Difference (Electricity Supplier Obligations) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Infected Blood Compensation Scheme Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) (No. 2) 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 ended 23 July*

Building (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 1st Report. Praying time ends 9 September*

Sentencing Act 2020 (Special Procedures for Community and Suspended Sentence Orders) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 September*

Separation of Waste (England) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 8 October*

Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Commodity Derivatives and Emission Allowances) (Amendment) Order 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 12 October*

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Emergency Prohibition) (England, Wales and Scotland) Order 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 12 October*

National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Prescription of Drugs etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 12 October*

Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd report. Praying time ends 3 November (11 September)*

Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Plant and Animal Health) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2024 *Praying time ends 3 November*

Illegal Migration Act 2023 (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report. Praying time ends 26 October.*

Draft Pensions Regulator’s Defined Benefit Funding Code of Practice 2024 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 1 November.*

Human Medicines (Amendments relating to the Windsor Framework) Regulations 2024 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 1 November.*

M6 Motorway (Junctions 21a to 26) (Variable Speed Limits) Regulations 2024 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 2 November.*

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Emergency Prohibition) (Extension) Order 2024 *2nd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 3 November.*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

Amendment to the Agreement between the United Kingdom and the United States of America for Cooperation on the Uses of Atomic Energy for Mutual Defense Purposes *Scrutiny period expires: 23 October*

Framework Agreement between the United Kingdom and Ukraine on Official Credit Support for the Development of Ukraine’s Defence Capabilities *Scrutiny period expires: 29 October*

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Agreement among the United Kingdom, Australia, and the United States of America for Cooperation related to Naval Nuclear Propulsion *Scrutiny period expires: 29 October*

Treaties 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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 3 September. Scrutiny period expires: 14 October*

Retirement

The following member of the House has given notice of her intention to retire.

Baroness Smith of Gilmorehill (28 February 2025)

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Thursday 5 September

Preterm Birth Committee	Room 3	9.30am
Food, Diet and Obesity Committee	Room 1	9.45am

Monday 9 September

Modern Slavery Act 2015 Committee	Room 3	3.30pm
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Tuesday 10 September

Science and Technology Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 2	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 4	4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 2A	4.00pm

Wednesday 11 September

Constitution Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 3	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Public Services Committee	Room 2A	11.00am
Finance Committee	Room 3A	3.45pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

Thursday 12 September

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm
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Tuesday 8 October

Liaison Committee	Room G-32, Millbank House	10.00am
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Wednesday 30 October

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
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Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday 4 September 2024

The House met at 3.00pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Southwark.

1 Baroness Hodge of Barking The Rt Hon Dame Margaret Eve Hodge, DBE, having been created Baroness Hodge of Barking, of Great Massingham in the County of Norfolk for life by Letters Patent dated in the forenoon of 14 August, was introduced between Baroness Blackstone and Lord Kennedy of Southwark, made and subscribed the solemn affirmation and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 Baroness Beckett The Rt Hon Dame Margaret Mary Beckett, GBE, having been created Baroness Beckett, of Old Normanton in the City of Derby for life by Letters Patent dated in the afternoon of 14 August, was introduced between Lord Kennedy of Southwark and Baroness Merron, made and subscribed the solemn affirmation and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

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

Robert Henry Alexander Lord Eames

Josephine Clare Baroness Valentine

Raymond Benedict Bartholomew Michael Earl of Oxford and Asquith

Alan Michael Lord Sugar

Helena Louise Baroness Morrissey

Select Committee Reports

4 Economic Affairs

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

National debt: it's time for tough decisions. (1st Report, HL Paper 5)

5 Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform

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

Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]

Arbitration Bill [HL]

Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]

Budget Responsibility Bill

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL]

Crown Estate Bill [HL]

Holocaust Memorial Bill

Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL]

Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL]

Education (Values of British Citizenship) Bill [HL]

Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill [HL]. (1st Report, HL Paper 6)

Public Business

6 Social disorder A question was asked by Lord Sikka and answered by Lord Khan of Burnley.

7 Palliative and end-of-life care: funding A question was asked by the Lord Bishop of London and answered by Baroness Merron.

8 **High-speed rail services: West Coast Main Line** A question was asked by Lord Liddle and answered by Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill.

9 **Civil Service: recruitment** A question was asked by Baroness Neville-Rolfe and answered by Baroness Smith of Basildon.

10 **Water (Special Measures) Bill [HL]** Baroness Hayman of Ullock presented a bill to make provision about the regulation, governance and special administration of water companies. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 17)

11 **Water (Special Measures) Bill [HL]** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 17–EN)

12 **Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL]** Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent, on behalf of Baroness Jones of Whitchurch, presented a bill to make provision about the marketing or use of products in the United Kingdom; about units of measurement and the quantities in which goods are marketed in the United Kingdom; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 18)

13 **Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL]** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 18–EN)

14 **Imprisonment for Public Protection (Re-sentencing) Bill [HL]** Lord Woodley presented a bill to make provision for a resentencing exercise in relation to all Imprisonment for Public Protection (IPP) sentenced individuals; to establish a time-limited expert committee, including a member of the judiciary, to advise on the practical implementation of such an exercise; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 19)

15 **Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]** Baroness Hodgson of Abinger presented a bill to support women in UK-sponsored and supported conflict prevention, peace processes, mediation and diplomatic delegations; to ensure systematic gender consideration and responsiveness in UK foreign and defence policy; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 20)

16 **Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill** A bill to make provision for passenger railway services to be provided by public sector companies instead of by means of franchises was brought from the Commons. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 21)

17 **Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 21–EN)

18 **Business of the House** The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) moved that, in the event that the Budget Responsibility Bill has been brought from the Commons, Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Monday 9 September to allow the Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day. The motion was agreed to.

19 **Holocaust Memorial Bill** Lord Khan of Burnley moved that the bill be now read a second time. Then Baroness Deech moved, as an amendment to the motion that the bill be now read a second time, at end to insert “but this House regrets that the Bill fails to allow for a full appraisal and consultation on any preferred site for a Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre; and that in preparing the bill the Government have failed to establish the true cost of the project or deal with issues of security around the Memorial”. After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (see division). Then the original motion was agreed to and the bill was committed to a Select Committee.

The House adjourned at 9.15pm until Thursday 5 September at 11.00am.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Papers

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

Negative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House:

- 1 Seed Marketing (CMS Wheat Hybrids) (Temporary Experiment) (England) Regulations 2024 (899)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Report and Accounts of Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 2 Report and Accounts of Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 3 Report and Accounts of South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 4 Report and Accounts of South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 5 Report and Accounts of Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 6 Report and Accounts of the General Osteopathic Council 2023–24
- 7 Phase 2 Report of the Public Inquiry into the Fire at Grenfell Tower on 14 June 2017

Division

Holocaust Memorial Bill

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