

**Friday 6 September 2024 at 10.00am**

†**Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL]** Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to move that the bill be withdrawn.

**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] *Ist 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.

**Future Business****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.

†**Budget Responsibility Bill (Money Bill)** Second Reading (*and remaining stages*) [Lord Livermore]

**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).

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## 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*)

## ***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm***

†**Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]** Committee (day 2) [Lord Livermore]

## 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 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)*

**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.

†**Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to move that this House takes note of the report by the Global Mind Project, *The Mental State of the World in 2023*, published in March, and in particular its finding that the United Kingdom ranks poorly in mental wellbeing compared to other countries.

†**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to move that this House takes note of trends in the United Kingdom's rural economy and its potential to contribute to national growth.

## 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.

†**Lord Davies of Brixton** to move that this House takes note of the draft Pensions Regulator’s Defined Benefit Funding Code of Practice 2024, laid before the House on 29 July. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

## 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 5 September and due for answer by 19 September.*

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Council of the European Union's decision to impose sanctions on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea's Minister of State Security, Ri Chang Dae, and the Onsong County Ministry of State Security Detention Centre in North Hamgyong Province, and whether they will consider a similar measure for holding perpetrators in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea accountable under the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020. HL776

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to incorporate the specific demand from the 2024 United Nations Human Rights Council resolution on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, particularly the call for an end to human rights violations across the entire penal system in that country, into any future bilateral engagements with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. HL777

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support independent investigations and documentation efforts, including those conducted by Korea Future and other human rights organisations, to uncover human rights violations in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, particularly during the period when the British Embassy in Pyongyang has been inaccessible to UK diplomats. HL778

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government whether their decision not to pursue human rights accountability measures under the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 against high-ranking officials and entities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is influenced by the prospect of reopening the British Embassy in Pyongyang. HL779

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government whether any cases of hen harrier brood meddling have taken place this year; and whether the Hen Harrier Action Plan is intended to be continued, either on a trial or other basis. HL780

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have met, or have plans to meet with, the Movement for an Adoption Apology; and whether they have any plans to move for apologising for historic forced adoptions that during the 1950s, 1960s, and 1970s, which affected more than 215,000 women and their children. HL781

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the accuracy and compliance of baby milk powder labels with existing regulatory requirements, and what plans they have to bring the law into compliance with WHO provisions on the marketing of infant formula. HL782

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Goldie on 25 January 2023 (HL4903), what progress they have made towards (1) identifying and marking the graves of Egyptians who died serving the UK during the First World War, including in the Egyptian Labour Corps, and (2) recovering the records of all Egyptians who served with UK forces. HL783

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the extent to which the release of trifluoromethane (HFC-23) from manufacturing and other processes within the UK is being prevented in line with the 2016 Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol; and what steps they are taking internationally to support and move towards such measures being taken around the world. HL784



**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Benyon on 16 March 2023 (HL6230), what progress has been made in the review of the F-gas regulations, both (1) generally, and (2) with regard to the greenhouse gas sulphur hexafluoride (SF<sub>6</sub>); what steps they are taking in reducing its carbon footprint in electricity transmission, distribution, and hydronic heat pump equipment; and how they intend to ensure that expansion of the electricity grid does not increase carbon emissions through increased use of fluorinated greenhouse gases. HL785

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made, if any, of the rate of closures of pharmacies; and what steps they are taking in response. HL786

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking (1) to encourage the take up of Pension Credit, and (2) to simplify the application process. HL787

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government how many claims for compensation under the Windrush Compensation Scheme remain outstanding; and when they expect to settle the remaining claims. HL788

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the financial state of universities; and what steps they are taking to address issues in this regard. HL789

**Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask the Leader of the House what plans she has to promote awareness of the rules of conduct in the Chamber among members of the House of Lords. HL790

**Lord Cashman** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment has been made of the impact of extended waiting times to access NHS-commissioned mental health and paediatric services on the ability for young people to access support at the specialist gender services. HL791

**Lord Cashman** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the letter from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to all members of the House of Lords on 8 August, who will be conducting the observational research study; who will be included within this study; how long will the study run for; and when they expect results from the study to be published. HL792

**Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government further to the Written Answers by Lord Bellamy on 16 June and 2 August 2023 (HL8197 and HL9550), whether they will publish a response to the Law Commission Report *Celebrating Marriage: A New Weddings Law*, published in July 2022, particularly Recommendation 42. HL793

**Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the recommendation for reform of the Marriage Act 1949 in paragraph 8.50, page 135, of *The Casey Review into Opportunity and Integration*, published in December 2016. HL794

**Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to protect the spousal rights of women who have been married outside of the legal framework for weddings in England and Wales. HL795

**Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the compliance of the Marriage Act 1949 and other marriage law with the right to freedom of religion or belief, as Church of England and Church in Wales marriage ceremonies fulfil legal requirements and are legally recognised, while other religious ceremonies may not be. HL796

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to discuss with Peterborough City Council and other stakeholders, including Homes England, the development of legacy allocated land for residential development at Great Kyne (Castor and Ailsworth) in Peterborough to meet the housing delivery targets in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and the East of England. HL797

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect the rights of families in Court of Protection proceedings and to encourage transparency, natural justice and openness in those legal proceedings. HL798

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the government of the United States on the future of United States-United Kingdom extradition treaty arrangements and any risks of miscarriages of justice arising from their operation. HL799

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Hayman of Ullock on 8 August (HL429), what plans they have to conduct their own analysis on the cost of taking Thames Water into public ownership, and whether they plan to consider alternative calculations from other agencies such as by Moody's Ratings who calculated that the cost would be £14.5 billion. HL800

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government why compensation to shareholders would be required for a water Company in the Special Administration Regime, if they decided that public ownership was a necessary precondition of environmental and public health regulations being met. HL801

**Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to establish a fund for new and improved fracture liaison services. HL802

**Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to appoint a national specialty adviser to lead cross-departmental work to improve fracture liaison services. HL803

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on pensioners of the withdrawal of the Winter Fuel Allowance. HL804

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the amount of public money that will be spent on the redevelopment of Casement Park in Belfast. HL805

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they still intend to introduce the British ISA. HL806

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government what changes, if any, they are considering to the 'right to buy' discount scheme for tenants wishing to purchase their council house. HL807

**Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of private schools across the UK that are anticipated to close as a result of charging VAT on fees. HL808

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office on 4 September (HC2317), whether a Minister is required to declare a political donation as an interest to their Department if they make a Government decision that directly and personally financially benefits the donor; and what guidance (1) the Cabinet Office, and (2) the Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests, have issued on such requirements, and on recusal processes in the event of conflicts of interest. HL809

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Baroness Smith of Basildon on 4 September (HL Deb col 1157), and to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office on 4 September (HC2317), whether the Chancellor of the Exchequer declared her political donation from Ian Corfield to the Treasury Permanent Secretary before he was appointed as a civil servant by exception; whether they considered recusal; and whether the Civil Service Commission was informed of the donation before they considered the request for an exception to the Recruitment Principles in this matter. HL810

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Baroness Smith of Basildon on 4 September (HL Deb col 1157), and to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office on 4 September (HC2317), whether Nick Thomas-Symonds declared, as a political donation in kind, the reported use of a seconded member of staff from Labour Together to (1) the Permanent Secretary to the Cabinet Office, or (2) to the Cabinet Secretary, before that member of staff, Jessica Sargeant, was appointed as a Deputy Director at the Cabinet Office by exception; whether they considered recusal; and whether Cabinet Office officials were informed of any political donations when they considered the delegated Recruitment Principles exception request for Miss Sargeant's appointment to the Cabinet Office's Propriety and Constitution Group. HL811

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Baroness Smith of Basildon on 4 September (HL Deb col 1157), and to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office on 4 September (HC2317), whether Peter Kyle declared as a political donation in kind the reported use of a seconded member of staff from Public Digital to the departmental Permanent Secretary before that member of staff, Emily Middleton, was appointed as a Director-General for Digital Centre Design in the department by exception; whether they considered recusal; and whether the Civil Service Commission was informed of any previous donations before they considered the Recruitment Principles exception request from the department for Ms Middleton's appointment to the Senior Civil Service. HL812

**Lord Patel of Bradford** to ask His Majesty's Government what constitutes an 'out of area' placement for an adult acute mental health inpatient, specifically whether it is defined by geography or by the institution the patient is referred to. HL813

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to extend the Equipment Theft (Prevention) Act 2023 to include GPS kits. HL814

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they plan to take to tackle dog attacks on livestock, following the 30 per cent increase in dog attacks on livestock in 2023 compared to the previous year. HL815

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the human rights implications of the removal of the Ngorongoro division in Tanzania from the voters' register. HL816

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the role modern methods of construction might play in speeding up the delivery of housing. HL817

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact modern methods of construction could have on achieving their housebuilding targets early. HL818

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to financially support the modern methods of construction sector as part of their housebuilding programme. HL819

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will be taking to overcome labour supply challenges faced by the construction sector. HL820

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of their housing policy on existing labour supply challenges in the construction sector. HL821

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to ask His Majesty's Government whether all 75 towns that have been chosen to receive £20 million of funding through the Long-term Plan for Towns, including Harlow, will receive the full amount; and if so, when. HL822

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that new regulations on the use of artificial intelligence (1) avoid hindering innovation, (2) adapt to a growing industry, and (3) prevent domestic companies from being at a disadvantage internationally. HL823

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure the UK remains an attractive destination for businesses. HL824

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to appoint a new investment minister. HL825

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty's Government how they are monitoring the success and roll-out of biodiversity net gain policy; and whether they have plans to review the current system of exemptions. HL826

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty's Government what initial assessment they have made of the implementation of biodiversity net gain to date. HL827

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty's Government what additional guidance to local planning authorities would be appropriate in order to ensure that exemptions to biodiversity net gain can be properly and confidently assessed. HL828

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will commence the operation of marine net gain. HL829

**Lord Turnberg** to ask His Majesty's Government how many vacancies are currently available for general practitioners in primary care, and how many newly qualified general practitioners are seeking appointment. HL830

**Lord Turnberg** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they offer to general practitioners in meeting the demands placed on them. HL831

**Lord Turnberg** to ask His Majesty's Government, following their decision to restrict arms export licences to Israel, whether they have reviewed the arms licences in respect of (1) Saudi Arabia, given its conflict with the Houthis in Yemen, (2) Qatar, given its support of Hamas, or (3) Turkey, given its conflict with the Kurds. HL832

**Lord Turnberg** to ask His Majesty's Government what additional factors led to the Foreign Secretary's decision to limit arms supplies to Israel when his predecessor in that office did not take such action. HL833

**Lord Udney-Lister** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 13 August 2024 (HL548), what equivalent occupancy data has been compiled since the general election; and whether they will place all post-election data that is held for each department in the Library of the House. HL834

**Lord Udney-Lister** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 13 August 2024 (HL548), what is their policy on how often civil servants should work in the office rather than remotely. HL835

**Lord Udney-Lister** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 13 August 2024 (HL548), what is their policy on full-time civil servants working a four-day week on full-pay; and whether the 'right to switch off' will apply to civil servants on their fallow workday when working a four-day week. HL836

## 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
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
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	
Home School Education Registration and Support Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Budget Responsibility Bill ( <i>Money Bill—5 September</i> )	Government	9 September
<b>Committed to a Select Committee</b>		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	
<b>Committed to a Grand Committee</b>		
Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]	Government	10 September
<b>Committed to a Committee of the Whole House</b>		
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

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

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*

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

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2024

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

#### **Monday 9 September**

Modern Slavery Act 2015 Committee	Room 3	3.30pm
Statutory Inquiries Committee	Room 2	4.00pm

#### **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**

Food, Diet and Obesity Committee	Room 1	9.00am
Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm

#### **Tuesday 8 October**

Liaison Committee	Room G-32, Millbank House	10.00am
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#### **Monday 14 October**

Preterm Birth Committee		3.00pm
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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 Thursday 5 September 2024

*The House met at 11.00am.*

*Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Southwark.*

1 **Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard** Thomas Beatty Elliott, having been created Baron Elliott of Ballinamallard, of Ballinamallard in the County of Fermanagh, for life by Letters Patent dated in the afternoon of 16 August, was introduced between Lord Rogan and Lord Empey, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 **Lord Brady of Altrincham** The Rt Hon Sir Graham Stuart Brady, Knight, having been created Baron Brady of Altrincham, of Birch-in-Rusholme in the County of Greater Manchester, for life by Letters Patent dated in the afternoon of 19 August, was introduced between Lord Howard of Lympne and Baroness Williams of Trafford, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

3 **Oath** Michael Andrew Foster Jude Marquess of Lothian (Lord Kerr of Monteviot) took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

### Public Business

4 **Online safety legislation: abuse on social media** A question was asked by Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick and answered by Baroness Jones of Whitchurch.

5 **Ukraine** A question was asked by Lord Campbell-Savours and answered by Baroness Chapman of Darlington.

6 **Emergency Alert service** A question was asked by Lord Harris of Haringey and answered by Baroness Twycross.

7 **Israel: arms sales** A question was asked by Lord Bellingham and answered by Baroness Chapman of Darlington.

8 **House of Lords: composition** A private notice question was asked by Lord Strathclyde and answered by the Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon).

9 **Home School Education Registration and Support Bill [HL]** Lord Storey presented a bill to require parents who choose to home-educate their children to register with the local authority; to make provision about the maintenance of registers by local authorities of children in their area who are not full-time pupils at any school; to make provision about support by local authorities to promote the education and safeguarding of such children; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 22)

10 **Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]** Baroness Bowles of Berkhamsted presented a bill to make provision about listed investment companies; the classification and characteristics of those companies; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 23)

11 **Budget Responsibility Bill** A bill to impose duties on the Treasury and the Office for Budget Responsibility in respect of the announcement of fiscally significant measures, certified by the Speaker as a money bill, was brought from the Commons. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 24)

12 **Budget Responsibility Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 24–EN)

**13 Consolidation etc. Bills** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved, 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.	Mallalieu, B.
Bridgeman, V.	Razzall, L.
D'Souza, B.	Rowlands, L.
Eames, L.	Seccombe, B.
Eccles, V.	Thomas of Cwmgiedd, L. ( <i>Chair</i> )
Hanworth, V.	Thomas of Winchester, 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.

The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

**14 Human Rights** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved 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.

The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

**15 National Security Strategy** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved 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.

The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

16 **Statutory Instruments** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved 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.  
Chartres, L.  
Haselhurst, L.  
Meston, L.

Sahota, L.  
Sater, B.  
Watson of Wyre Forest, 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.

The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

17 **Ofsted** Baroness Smith of Malvern answered questions on an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Tuesday 3 September.

18 **Housing: modern methods of construction** (1½-hour debate) Lord Carrington of Fulham moved that this House takes note of the role of Modern Methods of Construction in the housing construction sector. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

19 **Vaginal mesh implants: compensation** A question was asked by Baroness Cumberlege and, after debate, answered by Baroness Merron.

20 **Independent schools: VAT exemption** (3½-hour debate) Lord Lexden moved 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. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

*The House adjourned at 6.17pm until Friday 6 September at 10.00am.*

**Simon Burton**  
*Clerk of the Parliaments*

### **Grand Committee Business**

*The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 1.00pm.*

**Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]** The bill was considered in Committee. The Committee adjourned after amendment 12.

*The Committee adjourned at 4.02pm.*

## Papers

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

### Command Paper

The following paper was presented to the House by command of His Majesty:

- 1 Finance—Treasury Minutes on Government Responses to the Twenty-sixth to the Twenty-ninth, the Thirty-first, and the Thirty-third to the Thirty-eighth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts. (1151)

### Affirmative Instruments

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

- 1 Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2024 (900)
- 2 Draft Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024

### Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Response to the Committee on Climate Change Report (Extension of Period) Order 2024 (903)
- 2 Registration of Births and Deaths (England and Wales) (Amendment) (Transitional Provisions) Order 2024 (904)
- 3 Independent System Operator and Planner (Designation) Third Party Compensation Regulations 2024 (905)
- 4 Registration of Births and Deaths (Welsh Language) (Amendment) (Transitional Provisions) Order 2024 (906)
- 5 Draft Coventry (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (—)
- 6 Draft Derbyshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (—)

### Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Report and Accounts of Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 2 Report and Accounts of Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 3 Report and Accounts of Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 4 Report and Accounts of the Financial Conduct Authority 2023–24
- 5 Report and Accounts of the Payment Systems Regulator Limited 2023–24
- 6 Report of the Sentence Review Commissioners 2023–24

