

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.

***The Lord Bishop of Leeds** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to accelerate and intensify military support for Ukraine.

†**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. (2½ hours)

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. (2½ hours)

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) [I]*

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)*

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Items marked † are new or have been altered

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



Future Business

Friday 13 September 2024 at 10.00am

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

Monday 7 October 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Balfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they plan to take to build a closer relationship with the European Union.

***Lord Moylan** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to continue the national £2 cap on bus fares, which is scheduled to end on 31 December.

***Lord Browne of Ladyton** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of diplomatic tensions between Ethiopia and Somalia, and the implications for regional stability.

***Baroness Smith of Llanfaes** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to implement the recommendations of the report of the Commission on Justice in Wales, chaired by Lord Thomas of Cwmgiedd.

Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill Second Reading [Baroness Blake of Leeds] *Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought*

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

Tuesday 8 October 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the United Kingdom's membership of Horizon Europe since rejoining the programme in September 2023.

***Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will appoint an independent legal expert to review the seven allegations of child sex abuse against Sir Edward Heath left unresolved at the end of Operation Conifer in 2017.

***Lord Harlech** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of public bodies and services, including the NHS Digital app, procuring professional services through processes which purport to be "onshoring" to firms which contract third parties outside the United Kingdom to do the work; and what assessment they have made of risk this poses to private data and cybersecurity.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 2 October, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 4 October.*

Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Leong] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

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

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Baroness Manningham-Buller to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the review by the Conduct Committee of the House of Lords code of conduct.

Wednesday 9 October 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support increasing apheresis capacity in NHS hospitals in England.

†***Lord Leigh of Hurley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on the UK economy caused by speculation about rises in Capital Gains Tax and other taxes.

†***Lord Mackenzie of Framwellgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the respective success of (1) UK applicants, and (2) international applicants including in the EU, to study computer science at English universities.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 3 October, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 7 October.*

Water (Special Measures) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Hayman of Ullock] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought*

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

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve productivity across the public sector. (*1½ hours*)

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

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*

Thursday 10 October 2024 at 11.00am

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to move that this House takes note of the state of social care in England, and the case for a comprehensive social care strategy and further support for unpaid carers.

†*Topical Question for Short Debate. Ballot opens at 10am on Monday 30 September, to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 1 October.*

Baroness Smith of Newnham to move that this House takes note of the bilateral relations between the United Kingdom and Europe, particularly on issues of culture, diplomacy and security.

Thursday 17 October 2024 at 11.00am

†**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. (*Balloted debate*)

†**Baroness Featherstone** to move that this House takes note of the 40th anniversary of the 1984 Ethiopia famine in the light of the current conflict and food insecurity in the country. (*Balloted debate*)

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 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. *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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.

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*)

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*)

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to provide assistance to Rohingya refugees in Cox's Bazar and other parts of Bangladesh. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

Baroness Fraser of Cragmaddie to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support children with special educational needs and disabilities. (*Department for Education*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 11 September and due for answer by 25 September.

Lord Bach to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to making the installation of solar panels on newly constructed warehouses mandatory. HL953

Lord Bach to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to making the installation of solar panels on warehouses constructed within the last 30 years mandatory before 31 December 2030. HL954

Lord Bach to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how many warehouses (1) do, and (2) do not, have solar panels installed, broken down by county. HL955

Lord Bach to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to reforming the planning system to examine the installation of solar panels on newly constructed industrial premises. HL956

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to amend the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 2015 to enable the electronic transfer of prescriptions between prisons and community pharmacies. HL957

Baroness Buscombe to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that information published about the total value of benefits paid to claimants, including available discount schemes and grants, can be readily compared with employee salaries, which are usually quoted before tax. HL958

Lord Godson to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have granted the war crimes team within the Metropolitan Police Service a general power proactively to investigate alleged war crimes in the Occupied Territories, or whether that team only investigates such allegations following specific requests by the International Criminal Court in accordance with the International Criminal Courts Act 2001. HL959

Lord Godson to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to appoint a replacement for the previous trade envoy to Iran; and if so, what appointment procedure they will follow. HL960

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Test and Evaluation Transformation Programme being undertaken within the Ministry of Defence has completed its first phase; if not, when is the projected date of completion; and what is proposed for the next phase of the programme after that date. HL961

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government whether the deployment of HMS Tamar and HMS Spey or successor ships in south-east Asia will continue. HL962

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government how many defence attachés are currently operating in host countries; and whether the numbers of UK defence attachés (1) increased, or (2) decreased, in (a) 2022, (b) 2023, and (c) 2024 to date. HL963

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in the renovation and refurbishment of service accommodation and service family accommodation; and what remains outstanding in relation to those works. HL964

Lord Goodman of Wycombe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Housing, Communities and Local Government on 5 September (HC2635), and further to the Written Statement by Baroness Swinburne on 14 March (HLWS336), whether they continue to maintain (1) the definition of extremism, and (2) the engagement principles, set out in that Statement; and what changes have been made to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's (a) work in this area, and (b) funding of that work, since the general election. HL965

Lord Goodman of Wycombe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Housing, Communities and Local Government on 9 September (HC2987), and further to the Written Statement by Baroness Swinburne on 14 March (HLWS336), whether the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government is continuing to fund and support the new counter-extremism centre of excellence. HL966

Lord Goodman of Wycombe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Housing, Communities and Local Government on 9 September (HC2987), and further to the Written Statement by Baroness Swinburne on 14 March (HLWS336), what steps they are taking to counter Islamist extremism and ideologies. HL967

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will place in the Library of the House (1) the data protection impact assessment for the Privacy Enhancing Technology contract for NHS England's Federated Data Platform, and (2) NHS England's template data protection impact assessment for each nationally commissioned product in the Federated Data Platform. HL968

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Merron on 1 August (HL348), what percentage of GP surgeries and primary care centres currently offer an online booking option for GP appointments. HL969

Lord Lamont of Lerwick to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker why, in addition to the non-executive members of the House of Lords Commission, two non-executive directors are to be recruited to the House of Lords Management Board; and how much their employment will cost. HL970

Lord Lamont of Lerwick to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker what are the responsibilities of the House of Lords Management Board; to whom it reports; and what relationship it has to the House of Lords Commission. HL971

Lord Lamont of Lerwick to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker why applicants for the position of non-executive director of the House of Lords Management Board are asked to apply anonymously. HL972

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government why in their proposals to reform the eligible membership of the House of Lords they have not included consideration of the bishops. HL973

Lord Lexden to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede on 1 August (HL330), on what basis the Ministry of Justice made a payment to the Press Recognition Panel of £430,000 in April; and whether they intend to place in the House of Lords Library a copy of all correspondence between the Ministry of Justice and Press Regulation Panel relating to the payment. HL974

Lord Naseby to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the European Union to increase the allowance under its visa-waiver policy to allow UK citizens working for UK-based hauliers to remain in the Schengen Area for more than 90 days in any 180-day period. HL975

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government which Ministers (1) requested, and (2) approved, the appointment of Ian Corfield as a civil servant in July 2024; and which Minister and/or senior official authorised the Recruitment Principles exception application to the Civil Service Commission. HL976

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will confirm if Ian Corfield received any payments in relation to his initial appointment as a civil servant in July 2024, prior to his subsequent conversion to a direct Ministerial appointment. HL977

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Independent Adviser on Ministerial Interests has finished reviewing Ministers' declared interests, whether all Ministers have now declared their interests, and when they intend to publish the List of Ministers' Interests. HL978

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to transfer Cabinet Office-sponsored (1) functions, and (2) agencies, to other Government departments. HL979

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made regarding whether the third stage of the Border Operating Model is on schedule to operate effectively and efficiently and without causing disruption; and what representations they have received from businesses on the third stage commencement and implementation of the Border Operating Model. HL980

Lord Northbrook to ask His Majesty's Government how many cases submitted to the Criminal Cases Review Commission were outstanding on 1 September 2024. HL981

Lord Northbrook to ask His Majesty's Government how many cases submitted to the Criminal Cases Review Commission have been concluded and reported on in (1) 2024 and (2) each of the previous five calendar years. HL982

Lord Northbrook to ask His Majesty's Government how many cases submitted to the Criminal Cases Review Commission have remained pending and incomplete in each of the previous five calendar years, respectively. HL983

The Lord Bishop of Norwich to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the theme of the forthcoming Conference of the Parties to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity (COP16) being designated "Peace with Nature" by the government of Colombia, and in particular of the link between environmental breakdown and conflict internationally; and what are their objectives for COP16 regarding the relationship between humanity and nature to ensure greater global peace. HL984

Lord Randall of Uxbridge to ask His Majesty's Government what is the expected (1) process, and (2) timeframe, for any future decisions on continued sponsorship of UK Seabed Resources Limited's two International Seabed Authority exploration contracts. HL985

Lord Randall of Uxbridge to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have conducted, or plan to conduct, stakeholder consultations on any future decisions to re-sponsor UK Seabed Resources Limited's two exploration contracts with the International Seabed Authority. HL986

Lord Ravensdale to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to legislate to bring in the Future Homes Standard and Future Buildings Standard; and when these will apply to all new (1) domestic, and (2) non-domestic, buildings respectively. HL987

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to enable prisoners with work outside the confines of prison to be paid a wage. HL988

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government which countries receive grants from the UK to reduce the number of children suffering from malnutrition. HL989

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made regarding the finances of renting the Bibby Stockholm for the detention of asylum seekers. HL990

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the success of integrated care boards. HL991

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to invest in health prevention in the coming years to help lessen demands on services through earlier intervention and education. HL992

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what trials they intend to conduct and publish on the efficacy of vaccinating badgers in the wild against bovine tuberculosis, and its impact on transmission to cattle, before transitioning from culling to vaccination. HL993

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of badger predation on the nests of UK Red List bird species such as lapwings and curlews. HL994

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to requiring the Forestry Commission to increase the number of tree species supported for new planting in order to increase the resilience of forests to climate change. HL995

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to raising the goal for National Parks to achieve net carbon neutrality by 2040. HL996

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current quota for landing bluefin tuna in the light of the success of the species in UK territorial waters. HL997

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what further steps they will take to tackle drug-resistant sepsis in sub-Saharan Africa. HL998

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings of GambleAware's *Annual GB Treatment and Support Survey 2023*, published on 21 August. HL999

Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to retain goals to improve access to and engagement with nature as part of the rapid review of the current Environmental Improvement Plan, announced on 30 July; and whether they intend to engage with stakeholders representing public access and recreation. HL1000

Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for the delivery of nine new river walks, how these will be selected, and what is the timetable for delivery. HL1001

Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to retain the public access offer within Environmental Land Management schemes so that more people can benefit from improved access to the countryside. HL1002

Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask His Majesty's Government whether they still intend to ensure that the King Charles III England Coast Path is fully walkable by the end of 2024 and, if not, whether they have a revised timetable for delivery. HL1003

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government when the University of Huddersfield last sought guidance from anybody affiliated with the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office regarding human rights due diligence on its courses related to Bahrain. HL1004

Lord Stevenson of Balmacara to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential role of rural taxi services in reducing pressure on bus services in low-population areas of the country, thereby improving environmental performance. HL1005

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve GDP growth. HL1006

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support the agribusiness sector in reaching net zero carbon emissions targets. HL1007

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that planning regulation does not hinder the effective implementation of the 5G mobile signal. HL1008

Lord Truscott to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made, if any, of the number of smart meters which malfunction in the UK. HL1009

Lord Young of Cookham to ask His Majesty's Government how many cars in the Government Car Service are (1) fully electric, (2) hybrid, and (3) petrol or diesel. HL1010

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		
Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	9 October
Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	8 October
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	7 October
Home School Education Registration and Support Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asylum Support (Prescribed Period) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Non-Consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Permitted Development Rights (Extension) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Crown Estate (Wales) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Universal Credit (Standard Allowance Entitlement of Care Leavers) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>)	Government	
Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Mortgage Prisoners Inquiry Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Committed to a Select Committee		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
Crown Estate Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	
Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	
Waiting for Report		
Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]	Government	

Arbitration Bill [HL] (*Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*) Government

Waiting for Third Reading

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

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

Draft European Forest Institute (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2024

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

Draft Communications Act 2003 (Disclosure of Information) Order 2024

Draft Franchising Schemes (Franchising Authorities) (England) Regulations 2024

Draft Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Scotland Act 1998 (Specification of Devolved Tax) (Building Safety) Order 2024

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) (Amendment) Regulations 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 (9 October)*

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*

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 the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 1 November.*

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

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

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Emergency Prohibition) (Extension) Order 2024 *2nd Report from the 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*

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 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
Built Environment Committee		10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee		10.30am
Economic Affairs Committee		3.00pm
European Affairs Committee		4.00pm

Wednesday 9 October

International Relations and Defence Committee		9.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Conduct Committee	Room 2A	4.00pm

Monday 14 October

Preterm Birth Committee		3.00pm
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Tuesday 22 October

Finance Committee	Room 3A	10.00am
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Wednesday 30 October

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
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The House met at 3.00pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Leeds.

1 **Lord Beamish** The Rt Hon Kevan David Jones, having been created Baron Beamish, of Beamish in the County of Durham, for life by Letters Patent dated in the forenoon of 15 August, was introduced between Baroness Ramsay of Cartvale and Lord Grocott, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 **Lord Grayling** The Rt Hon Christopher Stephen Grayling, having been created Baron Grayling, of Ashted in the County of Surrey, for life by Letters Patent dated in the afternoon of 20 August, was introduced between Lord Sharpe of Epsom and Lord Goodman of Wycombe, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

3 **Oath** Augustine Thomas Lord O'Donnell took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

4 **King's Speech** The Lord Chamberlain, Lord Parker of Minsmere, delivered His Majesty's reply to the Address of 17 July, as follows: "I have received with great satisfaction the dutiful and loyal expression of your thanks for the speech with which I opened the present Session of Parliament."

5 **House of Lords Annual Report and Resource Accounts 2022–23** It was ordered that the Annual Report and Resource Accounts of the House of Lords Administration for the year 2023–24 be published. (HL Paper 11)

Select Committee Reports

6 International Relations and Defence

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

Ukraine: a wake-up call. (1st Report, HL Paper 10)

7 Public Services

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

Think Work First: The transition from education to work for young disabled people. (1st Report, HL Paper 12)

8 Constitution

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

The Governance of the Union: Consultation, Co-operation and Legislative Consent. (1st Report, HL Paper 13)

Public Business

9 **Bread and Flour Regulations 1998** A question was asked by Lord Rooker and answered by Baroness Merron.

10 **HIV care: access** A question was asked by Lord Black of Brentwood and answered by Baroness Merron.

11 **Road Investment Strategy** A question was asked by Lord Snape and answered by Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill.

12 **Ticket sales: dynamic pricing** A question was asked by Lord Moynihan and answered by Baroness Twycross.

13 Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede presented a bill to make provision about the types of things that are capable of being objects of personal property rights. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 31)

14 Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 31–EN)

15 Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL] Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb, on behalf of Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle, presented a bill to restrict the use of biocides (substances with antimicrobial properties) in consumer products; add biocides to the list of substances which cosmetic products, personal care products, and treated articles must not contain except subject to restrictions; require the Secretary of State to monitor the impact of biocides in these products on antibiotic resistance; grant the Secretary of State, and require the use of, powers to reduce the use of biocides which cause antibiotic resistance; prohibit marketing that makes misleading claims about products containing biocides compared to soap and water or alcohol based sanitisers; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 32)

16 Mortgage Prisoners Inquiry Bill [HL] Lord Sharkey presented a bill to establish an inquiry into the events surrounding the creation of mortgage prisoners, their consequences and any other relevant matters; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 33)

17 Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL] The order of commitment was discharged.

18 Arbitration Bill [HL] The bill was considered in Committee. An amendment was considered. The Committee adjourned after clause 9 was agreed to.

19 Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 Baroness Altmann moved 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. After debate, the motion was disagreed to (see division 1). Then Baroness Stedman-Scott moved that this House regrets (1) that the Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 (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. The motion was agreed to (see division 2). Then Lord Palmer of Childs Hill moved that this House regrets that the Social Fund 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. The motion was disagreed to (see division 3).

20 Arbitration Bill [HL] The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 2. Amendments 3 and 4 were agreed to. The House resumed and the bill was reported with amendments. The bill, as amended, was ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 34)

The House adjourned at 8.10pm until Thursday 12 September at 11.00am.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 4.15pm.

An extraordinary challenge (Environment and Climate Change Committee report) Baroness Parminter moved 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). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The Committee adjourned at 7.57pm.

Papers

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

Command Papers

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

- 1 Trade—Agreement establishing an Association between the United Kingdom and Central America. (1153)
- 2 Trade—Agreement establishing an Association between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Tunisia. (1154)
- 3 Transport—Agreement between the United Kingdom and Montenegro on International Road Transport. (1155)
- 4 Financial Services—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the United States of America on Prudential Measures regarding Insurance and Reinsurance. (1156)
- 5 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2024, originally laid on 5 September. (—)
- 6 Hillsborough—The Patronising Disposition of Unaccountable Power: Independent Review of Forensic Pathology. (—)

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Supreme Court Rules 2024 (949)
- 2 Draft Essex (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (—)
- 3 Draft Worcestershire (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (—)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Government Response to the Report by the Office for Environmental Protection on a review of the implementation of the Water Framework Directive Regulations and River Basin Management Planning: September 2024
- 2 Report and Accounts of Covent Garden Market Authority 2022–23
- 3 Report and Accounts of Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 4 Report and Accounts of the Equality and Human Rights Commission 2023–24
- 5 Report and Accounts of the Gambling Commission 2023–24
- 6 Report and Accounts of the Games Rating Authority 2023
- 7 Report and Accounts of the Youth Justice Board for England and Wales 2023–24
- 8 Report and Accounts of University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 9 Report of the Judicial Appointments and Conduct Ombudsman 2023–24

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10 Report of the Social Mobility Commission: State of the Nation 2024: Local to National, Mapping Opportunities for All

11 Report under section 56(7) of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 on the renewal of call-out orders for operations with the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) and operations in relation to NATO's Assurance and Adaptation Measures

12 Report under the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964 2023–24

13 Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals in Great Britain 2023

Divisions

Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024

Division No. 1

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Division No. 2

Baroness Stedman-Scott moved that this House regrets (1) that the Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 (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. The House divided:

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Division No. 3

Lord Palmer of Childs Hill moved that this House regrets that the Social Fund 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. The House divided:

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