

Tuesday 26 November 2024 at 2.30pm*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Lord Davies of Gower** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to strengthen the position of Wales within the United Kingdom.

***The Lord Bishop of Newcastle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of data published by the Office for National Statistics on 23 October indicating that the number of drug-related deaths in England and Wales was higher in 2023 than in any other year since records began in 1993, and what steps they are taking to reduce the number of such deaths.

***Lord Oates** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they are making to the government of Israel about the impact of visa restrictions on international aid workers to that country and the Occupied Palestinian Territories.

***Lord Fuller** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to safeguard the overall quantity of agricultural land for food production in the light of recent proposals for solar farms.

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

Baroness Smith of Cluny to move that this House takes note of the importance of the rule of law.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL] Committee (day 2) [Baroness Smith of Malvern]

Future Business**Wednesday 27 November 2024 at 3.00pm***Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Lord Caine** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to strengthen Northern Ireland's position within the United Kingdom.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government how they intend to report to Parliament on the work of the Council of the Nations and Regions.

***Baroness Thornhill** to ask His Majesty's Government what incentives they propose to introduce to encourage landlords back into the private rented sector for long-term rentals.

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



†***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of recent reports of drones flying over RAF bases in East Anglia.

Football Governance Bill [HL] Committee [Baroness Twycross] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 8th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Windsor Framework (Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals) Regulations 2024 Baroness Hayman of Ullock to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 10 October be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 4th Report (Dinner break business)*

Baroness Hoey to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert "but that this House regrets that the draft Regulations treat pets travelling to Northern Ireland differently from those travelling to any other part of the United Kingdom."

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

†**Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL]** Committee (day 3) [Lord Leong] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, 2nd, 4th and 6th Reports from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Thursday 28 November 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Deech** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the BBC's measurement of its duty to deliver due impartiality as required by its Charter, and of how impartiality is addressed by its complaints system.

***Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to close the Wethersfield site used for housing asylum seekers and instead to make greater use of dispersal accommodation.

***Lord Lamont of Lerwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the plan by the BRICS countries to establish a separate banking payments system, and of the implications for the international banking system and the ability of the United Kingdom and its allies to impose economic sanctions.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 26 November.

Lord Butler of Brockwell to move that this House takes note of the case against politicisation of the Civil Service.

Baroness Kidron to move that this House takes note of the increasing interest in mandating that schools be mobile phone free.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Act 2023 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent]

Voter Identification (Amendment of List of Specified Documents) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Khan of Burnley] *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging and Packaging Waste) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Hayman of Ullock] *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 6th Report*

Human Medicines (Amendment) (Modular Manufacture and Point of Care) Regulations 2024
Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Cryer] *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Medical Devices (Post-market Surveillance Requirements) (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2024
Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Cryer] *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Monday 2 December 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Bloomfield of Hinton Waldrist** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress Great British Nuclear has made with its plans to deploy small modular reactors and advanced modular reactors, and what assessment they have made of the process for evaluating their design and manufacturing.

***The Lord Bishop of London** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure the consultation for the NHS 10 Year Plan reaches all communities, including those who have least interaction with the health service.

***Baroness Thornton** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they conducted an equality impact assessment following the judgment in *R (Harrison & Ors) v Secretary of State for Justice [2020]* concerning humanist marriages.

***The Lord Bishop of Hereford** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve food security.

Tuesday 3 December 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Kirkhope of Harrogate** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to announce the appointment of members for the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe.

***Lord McNicol of West Kilbride** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that their proposed planning reforms contribute to the delivery of net zero carbon emissions.

***Lord Sharpe of Epsom** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards securing additional illegal migrant returns agreements with foreign governments.

Wednesday 4 December 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Londesborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage entrepreneurs to start up businesses in the United Kingdom.

***Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to promote the attractiveness of the higher education sector, and what work is being undertaken by the Department for Education and the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office to promote the sector internationally.

***Baroness Wilcox of Newport** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards giving decision-making over the allocation of the Shared Prosperity Fund to democratic representatives in Wales, as set out in the *Labour Party Manifesto 2024*.

Thursday 5 December 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for increasing productivity in the UK economy.

***Baroness Quin** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have held or plan to hold discussions with regional mayors in England about the government's targets for house building.

***Baroness Randerson** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the reasons for the shortage of train crew reported across several train operators as the explanation for the cancellation of services.

Baroness Warwick of Undercliffe to move that this House takes note of the need to increase housing supply and tackle homelessness.

It is expected that a topical question for short debate will be asked. Ballot to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 26 November.

Lord Hannett of Everton to move that this House takes note of retail crime and its effect on workers, the community and local economies.

Friday 6 December 2024 at 10.00am

The Lord Archbishop of York to move that this House takes note of the importance of social cohesion and strong, supportive community life during periods of change and global uncertainty.

Monday 9 December 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Carrington** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to allow maintained schools to set the number of days on which they are open during a school year, in the same way as for academy schools.

***Baroness Finn** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that their legislative agenda does not undermine vocational training.

***Lord Fowler** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce the number of peers who are eligible to sit in the House of Lords.

***Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to respond to the Green Finance Institute's report *A Greenprint for Property Linked Finance in the UK*, published in November, to accelerate private low-carbon investment into existing homes.

Tuesday 10 December 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Hughes of Stretford** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in developing a National Youth Strategy.

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government what action they are taking to facilitate touring in, and trading with, Europe for the arts and creative industries.

***Lord Harris of Haringey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of guns manufactured by 3D printers circulating in the United Kingdom.

Wednesday 11 December 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government how many individuals have been prescribed anti-depressants by the NHS in England in the past 10 years, at what cost, and what assessment they have made of the risks and ramifications.

***Lord Addington** to ask His Majesty's Government how they will ensure state-funded schools are better able to identify those with special educational needs and better able to meet those needs.

***Lord Rooker** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Baroness Merron on 11 September (HL Deb col 1562), whether it remains their intention to lay regulations before Parliament to amend the Bread and Flour Regulations 1998 in 2024.

Thursday 12 December 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Jamieson** to ask His Majesty's Government what tools they will provide to local authorities to support the delivery of mandatory house-building targets.

***Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to help mark the 75th anniversary of Formula One in 2025.

***Lord Arbuthnot of Edrom** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to overturn the convictions of sub-postmasters or former Post Office employees convicted in relation to the Capture system.

The Earl of Leicester to move that this House takes note of the impact of recent Government proposals on the future of family farms and food security.

Baroness Chisholm of Owlpen to move that this House takes note of the need to eliminate domestic abuse, and to support its victims and survivors.

Monday 16 December 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Hazarika** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have plans to tackle anti-social behaviour and shoplifting.

***Lord Best** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to publish the report of the Older People's Housing Taskforce.

***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the welfare of domestic animals.

***Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in considering whether to establish an international anti-corruption court.

Tuesday 17 December 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Evans of Rainow** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce the cost of energy for businesses in the United Kingdom.

***Baroness Goldie** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Lord Coaker on 14 November (HL Deb col 1927), whether they are planning the fiscal event next spring which is to set the pathway to spending 2.5 per cent of gross domestic product on defence to take place before they publish the Strategic Defence Review.

***Baroness Ramsey of Wall Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take to ensure that all pupils in state schools have access to music and drama.

Wednesday 18 December 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what action they are taking to re-open Hammersmith Bridge to motor traffic.

***Lord Crisp** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their policy on creating additional housing units through permitted development rights.

***Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the work of the Independent Office for Police Conduct.

Thursday 19 December 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Benjamin** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made with the Windrush Compensation Scheme in settling unpaid claims.

***Baroness Pidgeon** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to revise legislation around the use of e-scooters and e-bikes.

***Lord Altrincham** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the increase in National Insurance contributions for employers on gross domestic product growth.

Motions for Balloted Debate

The ballot to select two motions for debate closes at 5pm on Tuesday 3 December, to be drawn on Wednesday 4 December, for debate on Thursday 19 December. Combined time limit of 5 hours.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to move that this House takes note of Government policy towards China especially in relation to human rights and security issues arising from China's actions in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Tibet, and the South China Sea, and against the Uyghurs in Xinjiang.

Lord Beamish to move that this House takes note of the findings in the *Independent investigation into Capture Accounting Software*, published on 30 September.

Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to move that this House takes note of the situation of women and girls in Afghanistan.

The Earl of Clancarty to move that this House takes note of the effect of the United Kingdom leaving the European Union on the arts and creative industries.

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to move that this House takes note of the importance of growing the rural economy.

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

Baroness Coussins to move that this House takes note of the United Kingdom's role as penholder at the UN Security Council, in particular with respect to (1) the war in Sudan, and (2) the implementation of the Peace Accord in Colombia.

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to move that this House takes note of the operation of the single justice procedure since its introduction in 2015 and its implications for open justice and judicial transparency.

Lord Blackwell to move that this House takes note of the contribution specialist music schools make to the cultural life of the UK, and of the importance of maintaining access to such schools for talented children regardless of social background.

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

Baroness Deech to move that this House takes note of the law relating to prenuptial agreements.

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*

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*

Lord Bridges of Headley to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *National debt: it's time for tough decisions* (1st Report, HL Paper 5). *10 September*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Baroness Scott of Bybrook to move that this House regrets that the Housing (Right to Buy) (Limits on Discount) (England) Order 2024 (SI 2024/1073), laid before the House on 30 October, will reduce the number of social tenants who can purchase their property, undermine home ownership and cut new house building. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 7th Report*

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to move that this House regrets that the draft Movement of Goods (Northern Ireland to Great Britain) (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Transitory Provision and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024, laid before the House on 28 October, implement the Northern Ireland Protocol and Windsor Framework which prevent Northern Ireland being a full part of the United Kingdom's internal market, and undermine the democratic and constitutional rights of the people of Northern Ireland. *8th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Questions for Short Debate

These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 16 October as the reserve list, which may be used as lunch, dinner break, or last business.

Lord Black of Brentwood to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they are making towards universal provision of fracture liaison services in England by 2030.

Baroness Fraser of Craigmaddie to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support children with special educational needs and disabilities.

Lord Murphy of Torfaen to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support opera.

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.

Lord Bach to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase the amount of legal aid for early advice in the areas of (1) social welfare, and (2) family, law.

Lord Aberdare to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase the availability and take-up of first aid training, including in the use of defibrillators.

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.

Baroness D'Souza to ask His Majesty's Government what specific measures are being considered at bilateral and multilateral levels to deter Chinese efforts to destabilise Taiwan.

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.

Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to address the declining numbers of learning disability nurses, and provide opportunities for their training.

Questions for Short Debate ballot entries

The ballot for four Questions closes on Tuesday 26 November for debate in Grand Committee on Thursday 12 December. 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.

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. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Baroness Keeley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the quality and quantity of music education in state schools. (*Department for Education*)

Baroness Ramsey of Wall Heath to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to ensure that patients with allergies receive timely and comprehensive care from the NHS. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the social and economic costs of gambling harms in the UK. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

The Earl of Caithness to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are taking steps to ensure that effective chemical control of bracken can be used to protect human health, biodiversity and the historic environment. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to the impact on active farmers who are landowners of the changes to inheritance tax and agricultural property relief for family-owned farms announced in the Autumn Budget. (*Treasury*) [1]

Baroness Parminter to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings on intensive community and day treatments contained in the Beat eating disorder charity's report *There's No Place Like Home*, published on 29 October; and of the reach and effectiveness of eating disorder services in England. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Baroness Hazarika to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the Child Maintenance Service supports and safeguards victim-survivors of domestic abuse, including economic abuse. (*Department for Work and Pensions*)

Lord Hussain to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on family reunification of the minimum income requirement for family visas. (*Home 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 Morrow to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to the different impacts in the nations and regions of the United Kingdom of the removal of the agricultural property relief for inheritance tax, the increases to employers' National Insurance contributions, and the extension of VAT to private school fees. (*Treasury*)

Baroness Burt of Solihull to ask His Majesty's Government what further steps they are taking to reduce the size of the Imprisonment for Public Protection prison population following the publication on 15 November of the HMPPS Annual Report on the IPP Sentence. (*Ministry of Justice*)

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for enhanced humanitarian assistance for the people of Ukraine this winter, and in particular for mental health, energy and housing provision. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

Lord Gascoigne to ask His Majesty's Government what was the outcome of recent discussions at the United Nations Biodiversity Conference of the Parties (COP16). (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

†**Baroness Helic** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of establishing a close season during which the killing or taking of hares is prohibited. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

†**Lord Fuller** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the accuracy and reliability of political polling in recent elections; and what consideration they have given to regulating the publication of pre-election polls. (*Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government*)

†**Baroness Sugg** to ask His Majesty's Government, in the light of the report by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists *Waiting for a Way Forward*, published in November, what assessment they have made of the impact on women of current waiting times for gynaecology services. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 25 November and due for answer by 9 December.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to counter China's attempts to use United Nations (UN) General Assembly Resolution 2758 to justify Taiwan's exclusion from the UN, and whether they have considered hosting side meetings with Taiwanese representatives at UN conventions where Taiwan is denied participation, including the recent 92nd INTERPOL General Assembly in Glasgow. HL2801

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to deepen their engagement with Taiwan, including through seeking full partner status at the Global Cooperation and Training Framework, and whether they intend to support Taiwan's participation in future sessions of the AI Safety Summit. HL2802

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of university scholarships or bursaries available to prospective students on British National (Overseas) visas to help them afford international fees for tuition. HL2803

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, following a letter from Baroness Smith of Malvern to Hong Kong Watch on 3 October, in which it was suggested that Hong Kong British National (Overseas) students who cannot afford international university fees could appeal to have their fees waived, what assessment they have made of the number of international students that have successfully waived their fees, in whole or part, due to financial shortcoming. HL2804

Baroness Bakewell to ask His Majesty's Government what guidance they provide to businesses regarding the entry of guide dogs to their premises, including with regard to their legal duties. HL2805

Lord Balfre to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to reply to the letter from Lord Balfre to the Treasury sent on 18 September. HL2806

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage the uptake of antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) principles into undergraduate education across medical, nursing, veterinary and allied health professional degrees; and what steps they will take to engage with academic institutions to ensure future prescribers are equipped to advocate and implement AMS practices effectively. HL2807

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to classify long Covid as an industrial injury, following the recommendations of the report *COVID-19 and Occupational Impacts*, published by the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council in November 2022; and if so, when. HL2808

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to integrate work to increase public awareness and understanding of antimicrobial resistance and responsible antimicrobial use into the 2024 to 2029 five-year action plan for antimicrobial resistance. HL2809

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support veterinary practices to adopt an aligned approach to antimicrobial use, and increase the use of antimicrobial prescribing guidelines. HL2810

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in requiring offenders to attend their sentencing. HL2811

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to increasing the penalties for motorists who watch films or make video calls whilst driving. HL2812

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they intend to provide bridging support to Drax in advance of a contractually binding commitment from Drax to introduce carbon capture and storage. HL2813

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of why the cost of incapacity-related benefit claims in the UK is rising faster than in other comparable countries. HL2814

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they have learned any lessons from the investment strategies of successful major pension funds in other countries, including Canada, by analysing (1) what proportion of their funds were invested domestically; (2) which of the geographies in which they invested produced the highest annualised five-year net returns; and (3) what proportion of their funds were invested in infrastructure and real assets. HL2815

Lord Birt to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of why the cost of incapacity-related benefit claims in the UK is rising faster than in other comparable countries. HL2816

Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe to ask His Majesty’s Government what estimate they have made of the number of illegal immigrants residing in the UK. HL2817

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the position set out in Ofcom’s consultation on protecting children from harms online, published in May, that there is “currently limited independent evidence on the capability of current age assurance methods to correctly distinguish between child users of different ages to a highly effective standard, without disproportionately affecting children’s rights”, and that its focus is therefore currently on “establishing recommended protections for all children under the age of 18, rather than tailoring those protections for children in different age groups”, in the light of (1) the findings of the benchmarking of facial age estimation by the National Institute of Standards and Technology, which concluded that this approach is effective at ascertaining the ages of people under 18; and (2) the audits by the Age Check Certification Scheme of 11 age estimation providers. HL2818

Baroness Freeman of Steventon to ask His Majesty’s Government what are their plans for the new natural history GCSE. HL2819

Lord Frost to ask His Majesty’s Government what are their objectives in their proposed “reset” of relations with the European Union; what issues they are discussing with the European Union as part of that proposed reset; and when they expect those discussions to conclude. HL2820

Lord Frost to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they are negotiating on a draft text for a security partnership agreement with the European Union. HL2821

Lord Frost to ask His Majesty’s Government what are their negotiating objectives for their proposed sanitary and phytosanitary agreement with the European Union. HL2822

Lord Frost to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they are negotiating on a draft text of any kind relating to their proposed sanitary and phytosanitary agreement with the European Union. HL2823

Baroness Gohir to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the prevalence of transnational marriage abandonment cases since 2016. HL2824

Baroness Gohir to ask His Majesty’s Government when they last evaluated the Equality Advisory and Support Service helpline. HL2825

Baroness Gohir to ask His Majesty’s Government how many calls the Equality Advisory and Support Service helpline received in each year between 2016 and 2023; and of those, how many and what percentage of calls were about religion and belief; and how many and what percentage of calls were received from those who identified as Muslim. HL2826

Baroness Gohir to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made regarding the prevalence and trends of spiritual abuse affecting both adults and children. HL2827

Baroness Grey-Thompson to ask His Majesty's Government which organisations the Department of Health and Social Care consulted on the Mental Health Bill and their wider mental health policy. HL2828

Baroness Grey-Thompson to ask His Majesty's Government, following the Government response to the *Concluding observations on the initial report of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*, published by the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in October 2017, what steps they are taking to deinstitutionalise persons with disabilities, and develop community-based independent living schemes, in collaboration with organisations of persons with disabilities. HL2829

Baroness Grey-Thompson to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to enable (1) people with learning difficulties, (2) autistic people, including those who are currently on a hospital detention or a community treatment order under the Mental Health Act 1983, (3) individuals with lived experience of hospital detention under the Mental Health Act 1983, and (4) organisations representing those groups, to engage with them on the provisions of the Mental Health Bill. HL2830

Lord Grocott to ask His Majesty's Government how many police officers recruited in (1) 2010, (2) 2011, (3) 2012, and (4) 2013, are still in service. HL2831

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to publish the follow-up report to the independent review by Professor Sir Mike Richards, *Diagnostics: Recovery and Renewal*, published in November 2020; and if so, when. HL2832

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government, following the report from the charity Breakthrough T1D, *Access for all: The impact of technology on the lives of people with type 1 diabetes*, published in October, which concluded that respondents from lower socio-economic groups, and those over the age of 65, were least likely to be aware of new technologies such as hybrid closed loop systems, what plans they have to raise awareness of the latest technologies available to type 1 diabetes patients of all ages and socio-economic groups across England. HL2833

Lord Kempself to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross of 4 November (HL1812), whether they will place in the Library of the House a list of each artwork or portrait that has been (1) removed from, and (2) added to the Downing Street estate, including Number 9, Number 10, Number 11, Number 12 and the two official residences, since 5 July, including any Government Art Collection reference number, according to records held by the Government Art Collection. HL2834

Baroness Kennedy of Cradley to ask His Majesty's Government what is their latest assessment of the human rights situation in Côte d'Ivoire. HL2835

Baroness Kennedy of Cradley to ask His Majesty's Government what is their latest assessment of the human rights situation in Zimbabwe. HL2836

Lord Laming to ask His Majesty's Government, further to figures released by the Office for National Statistics on 21 November showing that 946,000 young people aged 16 to 24 are not currently in education, employment or training, what steps they are taking to address this. HL2837

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government whether service personnel undertaking a leave of absence will be subject to the provisions of the Armed Forces Commissioner Bill. HL2838

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government whether members of the Royal Gibraltar Regiment and their families will be subject to the provisions of the Armed Forces Commissioner Bill when serving (1) in the United Kingdom, (2) in Gibraltar, or (3) elsewhere in the world. HL2839

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government whether UK service personnel and their families will be subject to the provisions of the Armed Forces Commissioner Bill when serving in Gibraltar. HL2840

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government whether the provisions of the Armed Forces Commissioner Bill will apply equally to both (1) regular, and (2) reserve personnel, and their families. HL2841

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government whether the provisions of the Armed Forces Commissioner Bill will require amendments to the Reserve Forces Act 1996 in addition to the Armed Forces Act 2006. HL2842

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government under what circumstances they anticipate the provisions of the Armed Forces Commissioner Bill will be extended to the Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies. HL2843

The Earl of Lytton to ask His Majesty's Government, in the light of the conclusion in standard PAS 9980:2022 that the potential for rapid fire spread, even in a low rise building, results in a risk that is "unacceptably high", what is their estimate of the current number of buildings of a height of 11 metres or lower which are at such risk due to combustible external elements. HL2844

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to increase the rate of the warm home discount. HL2845 [1]

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Baroness Hayman of Ullock on 28 October (HL Deb col 1009) and 20 November (HL Deb col 259), what are the cumulative effects and regulatory burdens they have identified in relation to flood prevention measures such as sustainable drainage systems. HL2846

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Baroness Hayman of Ullock on 20 November (HL Deb col 257), when they plan to introduce mandatory sustainable drains for new developments as required under Schedule 3 of the Water and Flood Management Act 2010. HL2847

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential for adoption of artificial intelligence in the public sector. HL2848

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to request an updated Financial Stability Report from the Financial Policy Committee which would assess the cost of servicing the UK's Government debt following the Autumn 2024 Budget. HL2849

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government whether the proposed eight consolidated Local Government Pension Scheme megafunds, announced in the Chancellor's Mansion House speech, will be able to invest overseas; and what assessment they have made of the impact of the proposals on UK infrastructure. HL2850

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government what criteria will be used to decide how 86 Local Government Pension Scheme funds will be consolidated, as announced in the Chancellor's Mansion House speech; and how the interests of pensioners will be protected when doing so. HL2851

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 20 November (HL2246), whether they intend to discontinue the British Empire Medal. HL2852

Lord Oates to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Work Rights Centre report *The forgotten third: Migrant care workers' views on improving conditions in England's adult social care sector*, published on 12 November, what consideration they have given to introducing special status or bridging visas to prevent the exploitation of migrant care workers at risk of losing their immigration status.

HL2853

Baroness Porter of Fulwood to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how the capacity of charitable organisations working with people in prisons, or helping former prisoners readjust upon release, could be scaled.

HL2854

Baroness Porter of Fulwood to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to identify, and learn from, examples of best practice among charitable organisations that work with people in prisons, or help former prisoners readjust upon release.

HL2855

Lord Randall of Uxbridge to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the increase in employers' National Insurance contributions on charities; and what discussions they have had with charities regarding this increase.

HL2856 [1]

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to require London and North Eastern Railway to run direct services between Sunderland and London Kings Cross beyond December.

HL2857

Baroness Redfern to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to review the use of 'units of dental activity' for the remuneration of dental work, in favour of patient-centred system which prioritises prevention.

HL2858

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to keep monthly data on farmer, landowner and family business owner suicides and suicide attempts.

HL2859

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what resources and infrastructure they are investing in to defend against cyber warfare, with particular reference to artificial intelligence.

HL2860

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have of the trial of AI motor cameras; and whether they have any plans to roll out the cameras nationally.

HL2861

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the energy price cap increase on pensioners.

HL2862

Lord Truscott to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports that energy performance certificates are inaccurate.

HL2863

Lord Vaizey of Didcot to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to implement the final provisions of the Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022, specifically sections 61 to 65, 67, and 70 to 74.

HL2864

Lord Vaizey of Didcot to ask His Majesty's Government what is the reason for the delay in implementing the remaining provisions of the Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022; and what steps they are taking to address this.

HL2865

Lord Vaizey of Didcot to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the delay in implementing the provisions of the Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Act 2022 on (1) mobile connectivity, (2) data poverty, and (3) regional digital inclusion; and what plans they have to mitigate those effects.

HL2866

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.

7 October (21 October)

HL1343 Baroness Vere of Norbiton [Cabinet Office]

16 October (30 October)

HL1675 Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town [Department of Health and Social Care]

22 October (5 November)

HL1878 Lord Jackson of Peterborough [Ministry of Defence]

HL1880 Baroness Jenkin of Kennington [Department of Health and Social Care]

23 October (6 November)

HL1918 Baroness Barran [Department of Health and Social Care]

29 October (12 November)

HL2117 Baroness Neville-Rolfe [Cabinet Office]

30 October (13 November)

HL2179 Lord Swire [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

4 November (18 November)

HL2245 Lord Berkeley [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2289 Lord Scriven [Department of Health and Social Care]

6 November (20 November)

HL2340 Baroness Anelay of St Johns [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2367 Lord Taylor of Warwick [Department for Business and Trade]

11 November (25 November)

HL2377 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2383 Lord Berkeley [Home Office]

HL2391 The Lord Bishop of Derby [Department for Education]

HL2392 Baroness Eaton [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2394 Baroness Eaton [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2402 Lord Johnson of Marylebone [Department for Education]

HL2403 Lord Johnson of Marylebone [Department for Education]

HL2405 Lord Kemsell [Home Office]

HL2408 Baroness Lister of Burtersett [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2409 Baroness Lister of Burtersett [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2412 Lord Lucas [Cabinet Office]

HL2416 Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]

HL2419 Lord Patten [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL2429 The Lord Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich [Ministry of Defence]

HL2430 The Lord Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich [Ministry of Defence]

HL2431 The Lord Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich [Ministry of Defence]

HL2434 The Lord Bishop of Sheffield [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]

HL2435 Baroness Stedman-Scott [Cabinet Office]

HL2442 Baroness Whitaker [Department of Health and Social Care]

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

Business and Trade (1)

Cabinet Office (4)

Culture, Media and Sport (2)

Defence (4)

Education (3)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (4)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (4)

Health and Social Care (6)

Home Office (2)

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 | |
| Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) 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 | |
| Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Mortgage Prisoners Inquiry Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Education (Assemblies) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| House of Lords (Peerage Nominations) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Palestine Statehood (Recognition) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Still-Birth (Definition) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Schools (Mental Health Professionals) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) | Government | |
| Committed to a Special Public Bill Committee | | |
| Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>) | Government | |
| Committed to a Select Committee | | |
| Holocaust Memorial Bill | Government | 26 November |
| Committed to a Grand Committee | | |
| Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>) | Government | 27 November |
| Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL] | Government | 26 November |
| Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>) | Government | |
| Committed to a Committee of the Whole House | | |
| Lithium-ion Battery Safety 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] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) | Private Member's | |
| Football Governance Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>) | Government | 27 November |

LEGISLATION

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| Imprisonment for Public Protection (Re-sentencing) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Home School Education Registration and Support Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Great British Energy Bill (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>) | Government | |
| Mental Health Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>) | Government | |
| Waiting for Third Reading | | |
| Water (Special Measures) Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>) | Government | 26 November |
| Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL] | Private | |
| Sent to the Commons | | |
| Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Arbitration Bill [HL] (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>) | Government | |
| Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Education (Values of British Citizenship) Bill [HL] | Private Member's | |
| Crown Estate Bill [HL] | Government | |
| Waiting for Royal Assent | | |
| Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill (<i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent granted</i>) | Government | |

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

- Draft Separation of Waste (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*
- Draft Home Detention Curfew and Requisite and Minimum Custodial Periods (Amendment) Order 2024
- Draft Electricity Capacity Mechanism (Amendment) Regulations 2024
- Draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025
- Draft Official Controls (Amendment) Regulations 2024
- Draft Clean Heat Market Mechanism Regulations 2024
- Draft Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024
- Draft Deposit Scheme for Drinks Containers (England and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2024

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

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

Draft Information Sharing (Disclosure by the Registrar) Regulations 2024

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

Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

Draft Windsor Framework (Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 4th Report (27 November)*

Draft Voter Identification (Amendment of List of Specified Documents) Regulations 2024 *5th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (28 November)*

Draft Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Act 2023 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024 (28 November)

Draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024

Draft Human Medicines (Amendment) (Modular Manufacture and Point of Care) Regulations 2024 *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (28 November)*

Draft Medical Devices (Post-market Surveillance Requirements) (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2024 *6th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (28 November)*

Draft Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging and Packaging Waste) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 6th Report (28 November)*

Draft Contracts for Difference (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024

Draft Movement of Goods (Northern Ireland to Great Britain) (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Transitory Provision and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024 *8th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Road Transport (International Passenger Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2025

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2025

Draft Police Act 1997 (Authorisations to Interfere with Property: Relevant Offence) Regulations 2025

Draft Environmental Permitting (Electricity Generating Stations) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships (Protection and Disclosure of Information and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Addition of Relevant Enactments) Regulations 2024

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Search, Seizure and Detention of Property: Code of Practice) (Northern Ireland) Order 2024

Draft Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024

Draft Recognition of Professional Qualifications and Implementation of International Recognition Agreements (Amendment) (Extension to Switzerland etc.) Regulations 2024

Draft Local Digital Television Programme Services (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Silicon Valley Bank UK Limited Compensation Scheme Order 2024

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Designated Activities) (Supervision and Enforcement) Regulations 2024

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ring-fenced Bodies, Core Activities, Excluded Activities and Prohibitions) (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Short Selling Regulations 2024

Negative Instruments

School Teachers' Pay and Conditions (England) Order 2024 *5th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 26 November*

Sentencing Act 2020 (Magistrates' Court Sentencing Powers) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 7th Report. Praying time ends 6 December*

Housing (Right to Buy) (Limits on Discount) (England) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 7th Report. Praying time ends 8 December*

Supplementary Protection Certificates (Amendments Relating to the Windsor Framework) Regulations 2024 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 9 December*

National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 *8th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 December*

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Emergency Prohibition) (Extension) (No. 2) Order 2024 *8th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 December*

Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 8th Report. Praying time ends 16 December*

Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records and Registration) (Guernsey) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 8th Report. Praying time ends 16 December*

Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records and Registration) (Jersey) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 8th Report. Praying time ends 16 December*

Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records and Registration) (Isle of Man) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 8th Report. Praying time ends 16 December*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Federative Republic of Brazil concerning Air Services *Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Moldova concerning Air Services *Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Mongolia concerning Air Services *Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Tajikistan concerning Air Services *Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Serbia on Cooperation and Mutual Administrative Assistance in Customs Matters *Scrutiny period expires: 9 January 2025*

Treaties considered by a Select Committee

Protocol to the Agreement on the international occasional carriage of passengers by coach and bus (Interbus Agreement) regarding the international regular and special regular carriage of passengers by coach and bus; to a further Agreement; and to Decision No 1/2011 of the Joint Committee established under the Interbus Agreement *4th Report from the International Agreements Committee. Scrutiny period expires: 3 December*

Amendments to the Agreement Establishing the African Development Fund *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 19 November. Scrutiny period expires: 10 December*

Retirements

The following members of the House have given notice of their intention to retire.

Lord Levene of Portsoken (28 November)

Baroness Quin (19 December)

Baroness Cohen of Pimlico (19 December)

Baroness Cumberlege (20 December)

Baroness Smith of Gilmorehill (28 February 2025)

Lord Maxton (5 May 2025)

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Tuesday 26 November

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| Holocaust Memorial Bill Select Committee | Room 4A | 9.45am |
| Science and Technology Committee | Room 1 | 10.00am |
| Justice and Home Affairs Committee | Room 3 | 10.30am |
| Built Environment Committee | Room 2 | 10.30am |
| Industry and Regulators Committee | Room 4 | 10.30am |
| Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] Special Public Bill Committee | Room 1 | 1.00pm |
| Communications and Digital Committee | Room 2 | 2.00pm |
| Economic Affairs Committee | Room 4 | 3.00pm |
| Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee | Room 1 | 3.45pm |
| International Agreements Committee | Room 2A | 4.00pm |

Wednesday 27 November

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| Environment and Climate Change Committee | Room 3 | 10.00am |
| Financial Services Regulation Committee | Room 4 | 10.00am |
| Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee | Room 3A | 10.30am |
| International Relations and Defence Committee | Room 1 | 10.30am |
| Public Services Committee | Room 2 | 11.00am |
| Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee) | Virtual meeting | 3.40pm |
| Conduct Committee | 2-03 Millbank House | 4.00pm |

Thursday 28 November

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| Constitution Committee | Room 4 | 10.00am |
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Monday 2 December

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| Liaison Committee | | 3.00pm |
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Tuesday 3 December

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| European Affairs Committee | | 4.30pm |
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Wednesday 4 December

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| Finance Committee | Room 3A | 3.45pm |
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Thursday 5 December

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| Administration Estimate Audit and Risk Assurance Committee, Audit and Risk Assurance Committee | The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House | 2.00pm |
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Monday 9 December

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| Restoration and Renewal Client Board | Room 4A | 4.30pm |
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Thursday 12 December

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| Services Committee | Room 3A | 12.30pm |
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Wednesday 18 December

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| House of Lords Commission | Room 4A | 10.00am |
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Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 25 November 2024

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Newcastle.

1 **Affirmation** Nemat Talaat Baroness Shafik made and subscribed the solemn affirmation and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

Public Business

2 **Domestic solar panels** A question was asked by Earl Russell and answered by Lord Hunt of Kings Heath.

3 **Cladding remediation** A question was asked by Lord Young of Cookham and answered by Baroness Taylor of Stevenage.

4 **Taipei Representative Office in the United Kingdom** A question was asked by Baroness D'Souza and answered by Baroness Chapman of Darlington.

5 **NHS: dentistry provision** A question was asked by Lord Fuller and answered by Baroness Merron.

6 **Police reform** Lord Hanson of Flint answered questions on the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Wednesday 20 November.

7 **Asylum seekers: hotel accommodation** Lord Hanson of Flint answered questions on the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Wednesday 20 November.

8 **G20 and COP29 summits** The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) repeated a statement made in the House of Commons on Thursday 21 November.

9 **Defence programmes developments** Lord Coaker answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Wednesday 20 November.

10 **Mental Health Bill [HL]** Baroness Merron moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the motion was agreed to. Then Baroness Merron moved that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole House that they consider the bill in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 3

Schedule 1

Clauses 4 to 23

Schedule 2

Clauses 24 to 38

Schedule 3

Clause 39 to 54

Title.

The motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 9.43pm until Tuesday 26 November at 2.30pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 3.45pm.

Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] The Grand Committee further considered the bill, beginning with amendment 11. The Committee adjourned after amendment 22.

The Committee adjourned at 6.32pm.

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 Explanatory Memorandum—Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Core Fuel Sanctions Guidance under section 286 of the Energy Act 2023. (—)
- 2 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Local Authorities (Rental Auctions) (England) and Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) Regulations 2024, originally laid on 11 November. (—)
- 3 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Meteorological Office Trading Fund (Maximum Borrowing) (Amendment) Order 2024, originally laid on 18 November. (—)

Affirmative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House for approval by resolution:

- 1 Draft Deposit Scheme for Drinks Containers (England and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2024

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 State Pension Debits and Credits (Revaluation) Order 2024 (1208)
- 2 State Pension Revaluation for Transitional Pensions Order 2024 (1209)
- 3 Thames Estuary Cockle Fishery (No. 2) Order 2024 (1211)

Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following paper was laid before the House:

- 1 Report and Accounts of National Wealth Fund Limited (formerly known as UK Infrastructure Bank Limited) 2023–24

