

**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.

**\*Baroness Morgan of Drefelin** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the impact of a potential "quad-demic", involving high prevalence of influenza, respiratory syncytial virus, COVID-19 and norovirus, following the warning of Professor Sir Stephen Powis, the NHS national medical director.

**Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2025** Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 28 October be approved.

**Home Detention Curfew and Requisite and Minimum Custodial Periods (Amendment) Order 2024** Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 13 November be approved. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report*

*The following two motions are expected to be debated together:*

**Police Act 1997 (Authorisations to Interfere with Property: Relevant Offence) Regulations 2025** Lord Hanson of Flint to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 29 October be approved.

**National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2025** Lord Hanson of Flint to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 29 October be approved.

**Local Digital Television Programme Services (Amendment) Order 2024** Baroness Twycross to move that the draft Order laid before the House on 5 November be approved.

†**The Earl of Effingham** 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*

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*Items marked † are new or have been altered*

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



**Movement of Goods (Northern Ireland to Great Britain) (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Transitory Provision and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024** Baroness Hayman of Ullock to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 28 October be approved. *8th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

**Lord Dodds of Duncairn** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that the draft Regulations 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.”

**Lord Murphy of Torfaen** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to support opera. (*1½ hours*)

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

**Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL]** Committee (day 2) [Baroness Jones of Whitchurch] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, 3rd Report from Constitution Committee, 9th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

## **Future Business**

### **Wednesday 11 December 2024 at 11.00am**

†**House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill** Second Reading [Baroness Smith of Basildon]

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

*Oral questions, 40 minutes (at 3pm)*

\***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.

†\***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty’s Government what logistical and supply chain barriers they have identified to the possibility of building 1.5 million new homes by 2029.

†*It is expected that the debate on the second reading of the House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill will continue.*

### ***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm***

**Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL]** Committee (day 4) [Lord Leong] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

## 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.

*Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 10 December.*

**The Earl of Leicester** to move that this House takes note of the impact of the Government's budget proposals on the future of small farms and family businesses.

**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.

### *Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm*

**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. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**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. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**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. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**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. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

## Friday 13 December 2024 at 10.00am

**Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]** Third Reading [Baroness Hodgson of Abinger]

**Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]** Third Reading [Baroness Bowles of Berkhamsted]

**Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Lord Moylan]

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

**Asylum Support (Prescribed Period) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Baroness Lister of Burtersett]

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

**Non-Consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Baroness Owen of Alderley Edge]

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

**Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Lord Clement-Jones]

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

**Monday 16 December 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

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

\***Lord Best** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will implement the recommendations of the report from the Older People's Housing Taskforce, published on 26 November.

\***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.

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to move that this House takes note of the importance of growing the rural economy. (*Balloted debate*)

**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. (*Balloted debate*)

## Monday 6 January 2025 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Lamont of Lerwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what initiatives they plan to take internationally to support multilateral free trade and to draw attention to the risks posed to the world economy by tariffs and protectionism.

†\***Baroness Greender** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to compare the need for affordable housing with the need for council and social housing as part of the National Policy Planning Framework.

†\***Lord Goodman of Wycombe** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Lord Hanson of Flint on 20 November (HL Deb col 207), what progress the Defending Democracy Taskforce has made with its review of security and counter-terrorism.

†\***Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effect of the level of rail fares on the cost of living.

## Motions for Balloted Debate

*The ballot to select two motions for debate closes at 5pm on Tuesday 14 January, to be drawn on Wednesday 15 January, for debate on Thursday 30 January. Combined time limit of 5 hours.*

†**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.

## 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*

**Lord De Mauley** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the International Relations and Defence Committee *Ukraine: a wake-up call* (1st Report, HL Paper 10). *26 September*

†**Baroness Drake** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Constitution Committee *The Governance of the Union: Consultation, Co-operation and Legislative Consent* (1st Report, HL Paper 13). *27 September*

## Questions for Short Debate

*These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 27 November as the reserve list, which may be used as lunch, dinner break, or last business.*

**Lord Davies of Gower** to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to cease using hotels to house asylum seekers.

**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.

**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. *[1]*

**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.

**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.

**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.



**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).

**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.

**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.

**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.

**Lord Lucas** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made with the UK Severe Space Weather Preparedness Strategy, whether the National Grid is capable of recovering rapidly from a solar storm of the magnitude of the Carrington Event, and what emergency drills are planned in that regard.

**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.

**Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in negotiating a Gibraltar treaty with the European Union.

**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.

**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.

### **Questions for Short Debate ballot entries**

*The ballot for four Questions for debate in Grand Committee on Thursday 30 January closes at 5pm on Tuesday 14 January. 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 Empey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the reaction of working farmers to their inheritance tax proposals; and whether they plan to distinguish landowners who are working farmers from those who have purchased farms for investment purposes. (*Department for Food, Environment and Rural Affairs*)

**Lord Mendoza** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to control the use of fentanyl in the United Kingdom, to prevent drug related deaths. (*Home Office*)

**Lord De Mauley** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support Combined Cadet Force units in schools, following the announcement that the School Staff Instructor grant to Cadet Expansion Programme schools will be discontinued. (*Ministry of Defence*)

**Lord Mackinlay of Richborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that amputees receive appropriate prosthetics at the appropriate time. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

**Baroness Shackleton of Belgravia** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce legislation to give effect to the Draft Nuptial Agreements Bill recommended by the Law Commission in their report *Matrimonial Property, Needs and Agreements* (HC 1089), published in 2014. (*Ministry of Justice*) [1]

**Baroness Mobarik** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, as a member of the Media Freedom Coalition, to ensure the safety and security of journalists and media workers worldwide. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the situation in Myanmar; and what steps they are taking to support the Rohingya people. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

**The Lord Bishop of Bristol** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the adequacy of government support for listed historical buildings at risk. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)



## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 9 December and due for answer by 23 December.*

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government on how many occasions since 2019 (1) illegal bush meat products and (2) other illegal, non-compliant or contaminated meat products have been confiscated at ports of entry to the UK; where and when these confiscations occurred; from which countries these confiscated products originated; and which species were confiscated. HL3278

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government how many successful prosecutions there have been in respect of the importation of (1) bushmeat and (2) other illegal, non-compliant or contaminated meat products since 2019. HL3279

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their most recent estimate of the quantity by weight of (1) illegal bush meat products and (2) other illegal, non-compliant or contaminated meat products, illegally imported into the UK each year. HL3280

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the comments by Professor Chris Elliott of Queen's University Belfast in June that a series of threats to food security are converging to create "chaos" because it is "now much easier to get food that is not of the same quality and standards into the UK"; and what steps they are taking to improve border checks and information-sharing to mitigate these threats. HL3281

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the paper, 'Insights into the primate trade into the European Union and the United Kingdom', by Svensson et al, published in the European Journal of Wildlife Research on 25 April 2023; and what steps they will take to quantify the illegal importation of wildlife into Britain and to end it. HL3282

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increase in the number of whistleblowing complaints in respect of the Drax power station, from 14 in 2022 to 49 in 2023. HL3283

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce a scheme to permit or require the surrender of neonicotinoid pesticides for destruction to prevent them from entering waterways. HL3284

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the campaign to introduce a "nature premium", modelled on the existing sports premium, to support school children's access to nature. HL3285

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the quality of private medical insurance, including the degree to which pre-existing and chronic conditions are covered, and whether they consider the regulation of such insurance to be adequate. HL3286

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the independent review of physician associate and anaesthesia associate professions, led by Professor Gillian Leng CBE, will consider the impact of physician and anaesthetist associates on the availability of training places for junior doctors, the nature and structure of junior doctor training programmes, and the levels of remuneration for junior doctors. HL3287

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the environmental and human impact of the continued UK manufacture for export of pesticides banned for use within the UK; and whether they will extend existing and future pesticide bans to the production, as well as the use, of such pesticides. HL3288

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to restrict private and corporate funding for political parties and election campaigns and, in particular, whether they plan to limit either the amount or the proportion of total funding that a single source can contribute to a party or campaign. HL3289

**Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government whether private hospitals are required to provide information on costs for each patient treatment episode when seeking remuneration for the provision of NHS services. HL3290

**Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government to what extent the scale and provision of NHS services are linked to individual treatment episodes in contracts for NHS services provided by private hospitals. HL3291

**Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government on what basis private hospitals are contracted to provide NHS services; and whether remuneration arrangements are based on the provision of services to individual patients. HL3292

**Lord Cruddas** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to provide financial education to every child in every school by the end of this Parliament; and whether financial education is being considered in their ongoing review of the school curriculum. HL3293

**Baroness Eaton** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the increase in employer national insurance contributions on town and parish councils. HL3294

**Lord Elliott of Mickle Fell** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they currently hold any Bitcoin, and if so, how much they hold; when and under what powers they accumulated it; which body or individual has custody over it; and how it is being stored. HL3295

**Lord Elliott of Mickle Fell** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to establishing a strategic Bitcoin reserve for the UK and whether they will commission advice on this matter. HL3296

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the recommendation by the World Health Organization on 2 December to implement a public health approach to prevent gambling harm, including ending gambling advertising, promotion, and sponsorship of sports and other cultural activities. HL3297

**Lord Frost** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 2 December (HL2820), whether the Government plans to set out its objectives for the reset negotiation in more detail as was done in February 2020 with the publication of *The Future Relationship with the EU*, and if so, when. HL3298

**Lord Frost** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Hayman of Ullock on 5 December (HL2822), whether they have any plans to negotiate a sanitary and phytosanitary agreement which would require the UK to mirror, align with, or otherwise accept EU law in this area. HL3299

**Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the validity of the Maldives' claim to sovereignty over the Chagos Islands. HL3300

**Lord Gilbert of Panteg** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 3 December (HL2738), whether the guidance against unnecessary translation of documents into foreign languages in paragraph 44 of *Guidance on Diversity and Inclusion and Impartiality Requirements for Civil Servants* remains Civil Service policy. HL3301

**Lord Gilbert of Panteg** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 3 December 2024 (HL2738), what is the aggregate value of the Crown Commercial Service framework agreement on translation into foreign languages. HL3302

**Baroness Goudie** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to join Australia, Canada, Germany and the Netherlands in their case against Afghanistan before the International Court of Justice for violations of the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. HL3303

**Baroness Grey-Thompson** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings set out in the report *Eroding the right to family life: human rights violations in Britain's child protection systems*, published by the Children and Families Truth Commission on 15 November, and whether they will produce guidance to ensure that local authorities intervene early, fulfil their duty to provide support services to families in need, and regularly review care plans to ensure that children in the child protection system can be reunited with their families at the earliest possible opportunity. HL3304

**Baroness Grey-Thompson** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to respond to the recommendations set out in the final report of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse and whether the ministerial child protection group will issue a report on those recommendations. HL3305

**Lord Hampton** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase girls' participation in physical activity in schools. HL3306

**Lord Hampton** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of teacher training in preparing teachers to deliver physical education to girls in (1) primary, and (2) secondary, schools. HL3307

**Lord Hampton** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to broaden the range of physical activities available to girls inside and outside schools. HL3308

**Lord Kemsell** to ask His Majesty's Government what is its timeline for the agreement and ratification of a treaty with Mauritius on the sovereignty of the British Indian Ocean Territory, and whether they still plan to pursue ratification of such a treaty in 2025. HL3309

**Lord Kinnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what arrangements they have made to commemorate the 85th anniversary of the 1940 proposal for the establishment of the Franco-British Union in 2025. HL3310

**Lord Kinnock** to ask His Majesty's Government why the National School of Government was closed, and whether they have any plans to establish an equivalent institution in place of Civil Service Learning and the Government Campus. HL3311

**Lord Lebedev** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the evidence-base for the use of ketamine to treat trauma-related mental health conditions, and whether they plan to provide such treatments through NHS mental health services. HL3312

**The Lord Bishop of Lincoln** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the two-child limit on child poverty levels since it was introduced in 2017; and what steps the Child Poverty Taskforce is taking to address this impact. HL3313

**Baroness Moyo** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to conduct an assessment of the impact of artificial intelligence on the UK workforce, and if so, when. HL3314

**Lord Oates** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the financial savings to the UK when a fully trained healthcare worker is recruited from overseas to work in the NHS. HL3315

**Baroness Rebuck** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the National Literacy Trust Annual Literacy Survey 2024 results, particularly the finding that only 34.6 per cent of children and young people aged 8 to 18 said they enjoy reading in their spare time; and what steps they are taking to reverse this decline. HL3316 [1]

**Baroness Rebuck** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the cause of the downward trend in students in England taking A-level English since 2013; and what steps they are taking to reverse this trend. HL3317

**Lord Rennard** to ask His Majesty's Government what was the cost of providing Royal Mail deliveries for candidates in the general elections in (1) 2024, and (2) 2019. HL3318

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will publish their Independent Pornography Review. HL3319

**Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to assist in the rebuilding of civil society in Syria, including the judiciary and the police. HL3320

**Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask His Majesty's Government what work the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative will undertake in Syria, especially in relation to recently released prisoners. HL3321

**Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask His Majesty's Government what work the Mass Atrocity Prevention Hub will undertake in Syria in supporting the development of civil society. HL3322

**Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are considering the use of alternative financing mechanisms to assist small and medium-sized enterprises in Syria. HL3323

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to their response to the consultation on the structure, distribution and governance of the statutory levy on gambling operators, updated on 27 November, what plans they have to ban gambling advertising. HL3324

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the appropriate frequency for the review of the structure of the statutory levy on the gambling industry to ensure the levy delivers its objectives. HL3325

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government on what basis they decided to set the statutory levy on gambling operators for land-based adult gaming centres at a different rate to that for casinos and other comparable land-based operators. HL3326

**Lord Sarfraz** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the policy implications of using copyrighted content as artificial intelligence training data. HL3327

**Lord Sarfraz** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of copyright protection for works of art generated using artificial intelligence. HL3328

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support small GB-based businesses in overcoming barriers to trade with Northern Ireland, particularly in relations to shipping difficulties. HL3329

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of rising labour costs on employment levels. HL3330

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage companies to increase diversity in senior leadership roles, particularly in relation to (1) ethnic minorities, and (2) women. HL3331

## 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.*

### **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]

### **6 November** (20 November)

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

### **11 November** (25 November)

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]

### **20 November** (4 December)

HL2726 Lord Spellar [Department for Business and Trade]

### **25 November** (9 December)

HL2801 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2802 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2844 The Earl of Lytton [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government]

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

Business and Trade (1)

Defence (3)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (2)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (3)

Housing, Communities and Local Government (1)

**Bills in Progress**

	<b>Type of Bill</b>	<b>To be considered</b>
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
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	13 December
Asylum Support (Prescribed Period) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	13 December
Non-Consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	13 December
Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]	Private Member's	13 December
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	11 December
Hares (Close Season) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
<b>Committed to a Special Public Bill Committee</b>		
Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] ( <i>Law Commission Bill</i> )	Government	
<b>Committed to a Select Committee</b>		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	
<b>Committed to a Grand Committee</b>		
Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	11 December
Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	10 December
<b>Committed to a Committee of the Whole House</b>		
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]	Government	
Imprisonment for Public Protection (Re-sentencing) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	



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Home School Education Registration and Support 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	
<b>Waiting for Report</b>		
Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL]	Government	
<b>Waiting for Third Reading</b>		
Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]	Private Member's	13 December
Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	13 December
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
<b>Sent to the Commons</b>		
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	
Water (Special Measures) Bill [HL] ( <i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	

## Examination of Petitions for Private Bills

**Wednesday 18 December at 11:00am, in Committee Room 2**

General Cemetery Bill

Norwich Livestock Market Bill

Malvern Hills Bill

City of London (Markets) Bill

## Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

Draft Devon and Torbay Combined County Authority Regulations 2024

Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025

Draft Lancashire Combined County Authority Regulations 2024

Draft Heat Networks (Market Framework) (Great Britain) Regulations 2025

Draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2025

Draft Separation of Waste (England) Regulations 2024

Draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements etc.) Regulations 2025

Draft Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2025

Draft Armed Forces (Court Martial) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2024

Draft Register of Overseas Entities (Protection and Trusts) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Procurement Act 2023 (Consequential and Other Amendments) Regulations 2025

### **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 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 (10 December)*

Draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2025 *(10 December)*

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2025 *(10 December)*

Draft Police Act 1997 (Authorisations to Interfere with Property: Relevant Offence) Regulations 2025 *(10 December)*

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 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 *(10 December)*

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 *9th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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

Draft Short Selling Regulations 2024 *9th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Home Detention Curfew and Requisite and Minimum Custodial Periods (Amendment) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report (10 December)*

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 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report*

Draft Clean Heat Market Mechanism Regulations 2024 *10th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024

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

### **Negative Instruments**

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 ended 8 December*  
*Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report (10 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*

Local Authorities (Rental Auctions) (England) and Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *9th report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 6 January*

Bread and Flour (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 *9th report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 9 January*

Criminal Legal Aid (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *9th report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 9 January*

Dangerous Dogs (Exemption Schemes) (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report. Praying time ends 8 January*

## Human Rights Remedial Order

### Draft order under paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 2 referred to the Joint Committee on Human Rights

Proposal for the Draft Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act 2023 (Remedial) Order  
2024 *Scrutiny period expires: 28 February 2025*

## Treaties before the House

### Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

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*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Lithuania on Termination of the Agreement between the two countries for the Promotion and Protection of Investments *Scrutiny period expires: 16 January 2025*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Czech Republic on Termination of the Agreement between the two countries for the Promotion and Protection of Investments *Scrutiny period expires: 16 January 2025*

### Treaties considered by a Select Committee

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

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Federative Republic of Brazil concerning Air Services *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 3 December. Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Moldova concerning Air Services *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 3 December. Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Mongolia concerning Air Services *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 3 December. Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Tajikistan concerning Air Services *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 3 December. Scrutiny period expires: 18 December*

## Retirements

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

Baroness Quin (19 December)

Baroness Cohen of Pimlico (19 December)

Baroness Cumberlege (20 December)

Lord Haselhurst (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 10 December**

Holocaust Memorial Bill Select Committee	Room 4A	9.00am
Science and Technology Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 2A	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 4	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 2	3.15pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 3	4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 2A	4.00pm

#### **Wednesday 11 December**

Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 2A	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 1	10.00am
Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Conduct Committee	2-03 MBH	4.00pm
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 6	4.00pm

#### **Thursday 12 December**

Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] Special Public Bill Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm

#### **Tuesday 17 December**

Public Services Committee	Virtual	10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am

#### **Wednesday 18 December**

House of Lords Commission	Room 4A	10.00am
Built Environment Committee		4.15pm

#### **Monday 3 February**

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 4A	3.30pm
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## Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 9 December 2024

*The House met at 2.30pm.*

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

### Public Business

**1 Maintained schools: term dates** A question was asked by Lord Carrington and answered by Baroness Smith of Malvern.

**2 Vocational training** A question was asked by Baroness Finn and answered by Baroness Smith of Malvern.

**3 House of Lords: numbers and eligibility** A question was asked by Lord Fowler and answered by the Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon).

**4 Private low-carbon investment: Green Finance Institute report** A question was asked by Lord Teverson and answered by Lord Hunt of Kings Heath.

**5 Business of the House** The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) moved that Standing Order 38(1) (*Arrangement of the Order Paper*) be dispensed with on Wednesday 11 December to enable the second reading of the House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill to begin before oral questions. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

**6 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024** Lord Hunt of Kings Heath moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 21 October be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

**7 Contracts for Difference (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024** Lord Hunt of Kings Heath moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 28 October be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

**8 Football Governance Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 51. The House resumed after amendment 67.

**9 Children with special educational needs and disabilities** A question was asked by Baroness Fraser of Craigmaddie and, after debate, answered by Baroness Smith of Malvern.

**10 Football Governance Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 67A. The House resumed after clause 10 was agreed to.

*The House adjourned at 12.09am on Tuesday 10 December until 2.30pm the same day.*

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



## **Papers**

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

### **Paper Withdrawn**

The following paper, laid before the House on the date shown, was withdrawn:

- 1 Report and Accounts of the Office for Environmental Protection 2023–24 (29 October)

### **Affirmative Instrument**

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

- 1 Draft Procurement Act 2023 (Consequential and Other Amendments) Regulations 2025

### **Negative Instruments**

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Enterprise Act 2002 (Part 9 Restrictions on Disclosure of Information) (Amendment) Order 2024 (1291)
- 2 Aviation Security (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (1293)
- 3 Miners' Strike (Pardons) (Scotland) Act 2022 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024 (1304)

### **Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings**

The following paper was laid before the House:

- 1 Report and Accounts of the Office for Environmental Protection 2023–24





