

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.

***Baroness Miller of Chilthorne Domer** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports of avian flu affecting turkeys in Norfolk.

Baroness Chisholm of Owlpen to move that this House takes note of the need to eliminate domestic abuse, and to support victims and survivors. (2 hours)

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. (3 hours)

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)*

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



Future Business

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.

Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) to move that the House approves the nominations of Lord Beamish, Lord West of Spithead, and Baroness Brown of Cambridge as members of the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament.

Football Governance Bill [HL] Committee (day 5) [Baroness Twycross] *8th Report of the Delegated Powers Committee*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

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

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 13 December.

Great British Energy Bill Committee (day 2) [Lord Hunt of Kings Heath] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Recognition of Professional Qualifications and Implementation of International Recognition Agreements (Amendment) (Extension to Switzerland etc.) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Leong]

The following two motions are expected to be debated together:

Information Sharing (Disclosure by the Registrar) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Leong]

Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships (Protection and Disclosure of Information and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Leong]

The following three motions are expected to be debated together:

Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Designated Activities) (Supervision and Enforcement) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Livermore]

Short Selling Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Livermore] *9th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ring-fenced Bodies, Core Activities, Excluded Activities and Prohibitions) (Amendment) Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Livermore] *9th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Silicon Valley Bank UK Limited Compensation Scheme Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Livermore]

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 12 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 16 December.

It is expected that the Committee stage of the Football Governance Bill [HL] will continue.

It is expected that the Grand Committee on the Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL] will continue at 4.15pm in the Moses Room, and that it will conclude.

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 13 December, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 17 December.

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.

Tuesday 7 January 2025 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Boycott** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the obstacles presented by industry to delivering policies to prevent obesity, and what steps they plan to avoid such obstacles.

***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they are giving to introducing safeguards to protect pedestrians and the disabled when considering whether to permit additional categories of electric scooters and electric bicycles.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Wednesday 8 January 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Baroness Fox of Buckley** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to issue guidance relating to single-sex provision for NHS staff as well as patients.

†***Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what intercity train disruptions are expected and for how long because of the construction of the new Great Western Railway station at Old Oak Common.

†***Lord Strathcarron** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect freedom of speech in the cultural sector.

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.

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

†**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.

†**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to move that this House takes note of the treatment of women and girls in Afghanistan since the Taliban takeover in August 2021, and the case for recognising that treatment as gender apartheid.

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 11 December and due for answer by 27 December.

Lord Allen of Kensington to ask His Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of UK Armed Forces veterans who are living overseas and in receipt of a frozen UK state pension; and what plans they have to ensure those veterans benefit from uplifts to their state pension from now on. HL3374

Lord Allen of Kensington to ask His Majesty's Government what action they are taking to ensure housing stock built in areas susceptible to flooding is adequately protected from flooding risks. HL3375

Lord Allen of Kensington to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made on implementing the proposals outlined in the *Get Britain Working* White Paper. HL3376

Lord Allen of Kensington to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential impact of Great British Energy on job creation in industrial communities. HL3377

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue to support the establishment of a special tribunal on the crimes of aggression following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, which could consider the criminal accountability of senior leaders of Russia and Belarus. HL3378

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that any special tribunal on the crime of aggression following Russia's invasion of Ukraine is international in character, and has sufficient legitimacy and support. HL3379

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government whether, in considering the establishment of a special tribunal on the crime of aggression following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, it is their policy that the issue of personal immunities should to be decided by judges in line with international law. HL3380

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what is the latest estimated cost of the construction of the Old Oak Common mainline station. HL3381

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what is the latest estimated cost of the construction of the HS2 tunnels from Old Oak Common to Euston. HL3382

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what is the latest design for the route of the tunnels from Old Oak Common to Euston, and whether they will place in the Library of the House plans showing that route, alignment and gradients. HL3383

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government how many trains per hour at Euston are planned to be HS2 trains in future, and how many station platforms are they expected to occupy. HL3384

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what are the expected opening dates for passengers of (1) the Euston HS2 station, (2) the Old Oak Common HS2 station, and (3) the Old Oak Common mainline station. HL3385

Lord Caine to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will deliver the £250 million of legacy funding that they had allocated in the Stormont House Agreement 2014 and New Decade, New Approach 2020 in full. HL3386

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government what working groups or committees which include experts from outside the Civil Service they have set up to consider the trade between Great Britain and Northern Ireland under the Windsor Framework; how many times each group or committee has met; and what is the membership of each. HL3387

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have appointed a shipbuilding tsar. HL3388

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government what major projects the National Shipbuilding Office has engaged in since 1 July. HL3389

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government what major projects the National Shipbuilding Office expects to be engaged in between now and July 2025. HL3390

Baroness Goldie to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Ministry of Defence has entered into any procurement contracts valued in excess of £1 million since 1 July. HL3391

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the situation of women and girls in Afghanistan following the recent introduction of the law on "the Promotion of Virtue and the Prevention of Vice" and the ban on them training in any medical capacity. HL3392

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to join proceedings against Afghanistan (1) brought by Germany, Canada, Australia and the Netherlands before the International Court of Justice for violations of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, or (2) referred to the International Criminal Court by Chile, Costa Rica, France, Luxembourg, Mexico, and Spain regarding the situation of women and girls. HL3393

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask His Majesty's Government when they last undertook a Joint Analysis of Conflict and Stability (JACS); when they will they undertake a JACS update; and whether there will be a focus on particularly vulnerable groups, including consideration of atrocities against women and girls and members of the Hazara community. HL3394

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask His Majesty's Government how many members of the Taliban have been allowed to travel to the UK since the takeover in August 2021, and what was the reason for their travel. HL3395

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask His Majesty's Government when was their last engagement with the Taliban, what was discussed and whether the situation of women and girls in Afghanistan was raised in those exchanges. HL3396

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hanson of Flint on 11 December (HL2987), what estimate they have made of the monetary cost of the collation and verification of data relating to individuals who have had their UK visas revoked on the grounds of (1) national security, and (2) being non-conducive to the public good. HL3397

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hanson of Flint on 11 December (HL2987), when the new IT system to provide more reliable data currently under development will be fully operational, and what will be the cost. HL3398

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hanson of Flint on 11 December (HL2985), why they do not currently hold data on the cost to individual police forces of collecting and collating data on non-crime hate incidents. HL3399

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to take steps to ensure that boat dwellers without a mooring are not subject to disproportionate enforcement action by navigation authorities such as the Canal & River Trust. HL3400

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to review the navigation licence surcharge applied to continuous cruiser licences. HL3401

Lord McInnes of Kilwinning to ask His Majesty's Government how much was paid in compensation to the owners of XL Bully dogs who were euthanised before 15 March. HL3402

Lord McInnes of Kilwinning to ask His Majesty's Government how many XL Bully dogs were euthanised as part of the ban on that breed. HL3403

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the safety of e-bike batteries and conversion kits for sale in the UK produced in (1) the UK, (2) the EU, (3) North America, (4) China, and (5) the rest of the world. HL3404

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the use of state subsidies in the production of (1) e-bikes, and (2) bicycles, made by (a) EU nations, (b) North American nations, (c) China, and (d) the rest of the world. HL3405

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of jobs in the UK in (1) the bicycle manufacturing industry, (2) the e-bike manufacturing industry, and (3) the supply chains of the bicycle and e-bike manufacturing industries. HL3406

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government how many investigations have been launched by the Office for Product Safety and Standards into manufacturers of batteries used in (1) e-bikes, and (2) e-scooters, in each of the last five years; and where the batteries used by those manufacturers were produced. HL3407

Lord Randall of Uxbridge to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to introduce management measures for the stage 3 and stage 4 offshore marine protected areas. HL3408

Lord Randall of Uxbridge to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to publish details of progress made in implementing the Global Biodiversity Framework. HL3409

Lord Richards of Herstmonceux to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the long-term future of the UK's amphibious capability following the announcement that *HMS Albion* and *HMS Bulwark* will be retired from service by the end of March 2025; when they intend to make a further announcement about their replacement; and whether the forthcoming Strategic Defence Review will take account of this decision. HL3410

Lord Richards of Herstmonceux to ask His Majesty's Government whether they support the recovery of all of Ukraine's pre-2014 territory including Crimea; and, if not, what they are seeking to achieve through their assistance to Ukraine. HL3411

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of Zemo Partnership's *Delivery Roadmap for Net Zero Transport*, published on 5 December, particularly in the light of their statement that they have "no policy to encourage greater use of motorcycles". HL3412

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Transport on 11 September (HC4346), what assessment they have made of the report *A Licence to Net Zero*, published by the Motorcycle Industry Association on 16 October 2023, and the implications for their policies of its proposals on the licensing regime for mopeds. HL3413

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government what performance management arrangements are in place, if any, to ensure the take-up of flu and COVID-19 vaccinations by NHS staff. HL3414

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government what performance management arrangements were in place, if any, to ensure the take-up of flu and COVID-19 vaccinations by NHS staff in (1) 2022, and (2) 2023. HL3415

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of analysis by Kantar that grocery price inflation has risen for three months in a row, and what steps they are taking to mitigate the impact on consumers. HL3416

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how increasing funding to the Civil Service could (1) support innovation in technology and processes, and (2) improve productivity. HL3417

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to keep healthcare workers in the public sector, and in particular what consideration they have given to increasing their pay.
HL3418

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken since 4 July to ensure that a reliable train service is maintained between London Euston and Holyhead.
HL3419

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have received from Mencap and other organisations which support disabled people concerning the impact of the increase in national insurance payments on their ability to maintain the services they offer.
HL3420

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken since 4 July to reduce the number of people sleeping rough in cities in England.
HL3421

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of flats in London which are (1) unoccupied, or (2) occupied by owners or other residents at less than 40 per cent of available capacity.
HL3422

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what advice they are giving to prosecuting authorities, and via court sentencing guidelines, to minimise the number of women sentenced to imprisonment for any reason other than the protection of the public.
HL3423

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]

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]

26 November (10 December)

HL2867 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2895 Lord Farmer [Ministry of Justice]

HL2896 Lord Farmer [Ministry of Justice]

HL2901 Baroness Finn [Cabinet Office]

HL2911 Lord Goodman of Wycombe [Home Office]

HL2912 Lord Goodman of Wycombe [Home Office]

HL2929 Lord Mackinlay of Richborough [Department for Education]

27 November (11 December)

HL2959 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL2966 The Lord Bishop of Chelmsford [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL2977 Lord Farmer [Ministry of Justice]

HL2981 Baroness Gohir [Women and Equalities]

HL3009 Lord Scriven [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3019 Lord Stevens of Birmingham [Department of Health and Social Care]

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

Business and Trade (1)

Cabinet Office (1)

Education (1)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (3)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (6)

Health and Social Care (1)

Home Office (2)

Justice (3)

Women and Equalities (1)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	
Hares (Close Season) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill	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	
Committed to a Grand Committee		
Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	16 December
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]	Government	16 December
Imprisonment for Public Protection (Re-sentencing) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
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	17 December

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Mental Health Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	
Waiting for Report		
Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL]	Government	
Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Waiting for Third Reading		
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	
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 granted</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	

Statutory Instruments in Progress

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

- 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
- Draft Community Radio Order 2025
- Draft Gambling Act 2005 (Operating Licence Conditions) (Amendment) Regulations 2024
- Draft Gambling Levy Regulations 2025
- Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority 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 (*17 December*)

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

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

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 (*17 December*)

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 (*17 December*)

Draft Silicon Valley Bank UK Limited Compensation Scheme Order 2024 (*17 December*)

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Designated Activities) (Supervision and Enforcement) Regulations 2024 (*17 December*)

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 (17 December)*

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

Draft Short Selling Regulations 2024 *9th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (17 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 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 11th report*

Draft Devon and Torbay Combined County Authority Regulations 2024

Draft Lancashire Combined County Authority Regulations 2024

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

Negative Instruments

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*

Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules (HC 334) *11th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 21 January*

Immigration (Passenger Transit Visa) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024 *11th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 21 January*

Sentencing Act 2020 (Special Procedures for Community and Suspended Sentence Orders) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 11th Report. Praying time ends 23 January*

National Health Service (Ophthalmic Services and Optical Charges and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *11th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 23 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 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

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*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Serbia on Cooperation and Mutual Administrative Assistance in Customs Matters *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 10 December. Scrutiny period expires: 9 January 2025*

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.

Thursday 12 December

Holocaust Memorial Bill Select Committee	Room 2A	9.00am
Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] Special Public Bill Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm

Monday 16 December

National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	4.00pm
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Tuesday 17 December

Public Services Committee	Virtual	10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 2	2.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 3	4.00pm

Wednesday 18 December

House of Lords Commission	Room 4A	10.00am
Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Built Environment Committee	Room 4	4.15pm

Tuesday 7 January

International Agreements Committee		4.00pm
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Wednesday 8 January

International Relations and Defence Committee		10.30am
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Monday 3 February

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 4A	3.30pm
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Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday 11 December 2024

The House met at 11.00am.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Leeds.

Select Committee Reports

1 Statutory Instruments

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

Draft Devon and Torbay Combined County Authority Regulations 2024

Draft Lancashire Combined County Authority Regulations 2024

Draft Heat Networks (Market Framework) (Great Britain) Regulations 2025. (9th Report, HL Paper 57)

2 Conduct

The following Reports from the Select Committee were made and ordered to be printed:

The conduct of Baroness Meyer (2nd Report, HL Paper 58)

The conduct of Lord Stone of Blackheath. (3rd Report, HL Paper 59)

3 Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform

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

Mental Health Bill [HL]

Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill. (10th Report, HL Paper 60)

4 Constitution

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

House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill. (5th Report, HL Paper 61)

Public Business

5 House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the debate was adjourned.

The House adjourned. The House resumed.

6 Anti-depressants: cost, risks and ramifications A question was asked by Lord Alton of Liverpool and answered by Baroness Merron.

7 State-funded schools: special educational needs A question was asked by Lord Addington and answered by Baroness Smith of Malvern.

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

9 New homes A question was asked by Lord Sikka and answered by Baroness Taylor of Stevenage.

10 House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill The debate on the motion for second reading was resumed. After further debate, the motion was agreed to and the bill was committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

11 **Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL]** The bill was reported from the Grand Committee without amendment.

The House adjourned at 10.12pm until Thursday 12 December at 11.00am.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

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

Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] The Grand Committee further considered the bill, beginning with amendment 52. Amendments were considered. It was ordered that the bill be reported without amendment.

The Committee adjourned at 7.22pm.

Papers

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

Instrument Withdrawn

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

- 1 Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025 (26 November)

Command Papers

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

- 1 Prisons—10-Year Prison Capacity Strategy. (1219)
- 2 Prisons—Annual Statement on Prison Capacity 2024. (1220)
- 3 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024 and Consumer Rights Act 2015 (Turnover and Control) Regulations 2024, originally laid on 29 November and previously replaced on 3 December. (—)

Affirmative Instrument

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

- 1 Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025, together with a report under section 20 of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Housing (Right to Buy or Acquire) (Designated Rural Areas etc.) (England) Order 2024 (1309)
- 2 Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (1313)
- 3 Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Restrictions on Private Sales and Supplies) Order 2024 (1319)
- 4 Draft Canterbury (Electoral Changes) Order 2025 (—)
- 5 Draft Thurrock (Electoral Changes) Order 2025 (—)
- 6 Draft Walsall (Electoral Changes) Order 2025 (—)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Account of the Social Fund 2023–24
- 2 Account of the Sports Council for Northern Ireland Lottery Distribution 2017–18
- 3 Report and Accounts of the Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery 2023–24
- 4 Report of the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration: An inspection of the Immigration Enforcement Competent Authority: January–June 2024
- 5 Report of United Kingdom Labour Market Enforcement 2020–23
- 6 UK Food Security Report 2024

