

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.

***Baroness Brinton** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the Foreign Secretary's statement on 9 December concerning attacks on protesters and journalists by authorities in Georgia, whether they plan to sanction those involved in the elections in that country.

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]

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



Future Business

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.

†***Lord Davies of Brixton** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have paused phase 2 of their pension review, and if so, why.

Liaison The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *New committee activity in 2025* (3rd Report, HL Paper 56) be agreed to.

†**Football Governance Bill [HL]** Committee (day 6) [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 4) [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*

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 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 Cumnoek** 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.

Thursday 9 January 2025 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Stedman-Scott** to ask His Majesty's Government what criteria they use to assess the eligibility of people claiming benefits, such as Employment and Support Allowance and Universal Credit, due to ill health; and how frequently these claims are reviewed.

***Baroness Humphreys** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the changes to employer National Insurance contributions, including the reduction in the per-employee threshold, on town and parish councils in Wales.

***Lord Roborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that water bills are affordable for consumers.

Monday 13 January 2025 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Baroness Chakrabarti** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to give greater priority to those with well-founded human rights claims in the immigration system.

†***Lord Young of Cookham** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to ban the secondary market in driving tests.

†***Baroness Sater** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the increase in National Insurance contributions on the charity sector.

†***Baroness Pitkeathley** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to develop a long-term workforce plan for adult social care, similar to the NHS workforce plan.

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.

Baroness Bull to move that this House takes note of provision for identifying and supporting students in schools who have special educational needs, particularly dyscalculia.

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

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*)

Lord Leigh of Hurley to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they plan to take to tackle tax evasion and avoidance. (*Treasury*)

Lord Johnson of Marylebone to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Office for Students about (1) its strategy for 2025 to 2030, and (2) its decision to pause applications regarding registering institutions, degree-awarding powers and university titles to allow greater focus on the financial sustainability of the sector. (*Department for Education*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 16 December and due for answer by 2 January 2025.

Lord Balfé to ask His Majesty's Government when, if at all, they expect that the drug abiraterone will be available on NHS prescription in England; and why NHS England has not made it available while it is in Scotland and Wales. HL3488

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to advocate for a ban on the presence of fossil fuel lobbyists at future United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Conferences of the Parties. HL3489

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government how they plan to ensure that medical schools have integrated antimicrobial stewardship competencies into undergraduate curriculums, to help meet the aims of the five-year antimicrobial resistance action plan; and whether the Department of Health and Social Care is primarily responsible for coordinating this with the General Medical Council and the Department for Education. HL3490

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to restore the Campaign Against Living Miserably telephone helpline piloted at HMP Birmingham and to roll out this service to every prison in England. HL3491

Baroness Finlay of Llandaff to ask His Majesty's Government, further to data released by the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities on 3 December showing that alcohol-specific deaths in England in 2023 rose to their highest level for the fourth year in a row, what plans they have to produce a new national alcohol strategy. HL3492

Baroness Finlay of Llandaff to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to launch their new Road Investment Strategy; and whether lowering the drink-drive limit will be included as part of the strategy. HL3493

Lord Foster of Bath to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hunt of Kings Heath on 26 November (HL2661), whether they intend to make their 2030 Nationally Determined Contribution to reducing greenhouse gas emissions legally binding in UK law, in the same way as they have made carbon budgets legally binding under the Climate Change Act 2008. HL3494

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effect on trade between Great Britain and Northern Ireland of the European Union's new General Product Safety Regulation. HL3495

Lord Kempson to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will place in the Library of the House a current organisational chart of the senior staffing structure of the Cabinet Office and 10 Downing Street, including (1) all organisational units and (2) their headcount. HL3496

Lord Kempson to ask His Majesty's Government what are the objectives, work and structure of any units, teams or groups within the Cabinet Office working on European Union matters, relations or policy, and what is the headcount for those units. HL3497

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government what the budget for the office of the Service Complaints Ombudsman for the Armed Forces has been for each year since its creation on 1 January 2016. HL3498 [I]

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government what the projected budget is for the office of the Service Complaints Ombudsman for the Armed Forces for 2025–26. HL3499 [I]

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government what budget has been allocated by each of the Ministry of Defence's six Top Level Budget (TLB) areas to the office of the Service Complaints Ombudsman since 2016, by (1) year and (2) TLB area. HL3500 [I]

Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton to ask His Majesty's Government what budget will be allocated by the Ministry of Defence's Single Service Top Level Budget (TLB) areas to the office of the Service Complaints Ombudsman for 2025–26 by TLB area. HL3501 [1]

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Prime Minister's trade envoy programme will continue; and if so, when new trade envoys will be appointed. HL3502

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of deep-sea mining. HL3503

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what research they are undertaking on the long-term effects of deep-sea mining. HL3504

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government when the UK Deep-Sea Mining Environmental Science Network last met. HL3505

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government how they plan to ensure that deep seabed mining activities and their long-term effects are transparent. HL3506

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government when they will publish the Artificial Intelligence Opportunities Action Plan. HL3507

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they plan to take in response to the recent report by the Office of Rail and Road which showed that a quarter of stations in England had Help Points that were not working. HL3508

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what improvements they are considering to rolling stock alarm systems in order to increase confidence in passenger safety, particularly among women, and whether they plan to assess the effectiveness of the IlluminateSafe system proposed for use alongside the current Call for Aid system. HL3509

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what advice, support and guidelines are given to local authorities regarding home to school transport, and whether they are given guidance on the restrictions they can impose in cutting transport costs. HL3510

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government, with reference to the statutory guidance *Travel to school for children of compulsory school age* published in January, whether parents are entitled to an explanation of why their child has been allocated a school placement in another education authority, whether such a decision can be made on the basis of transport costs alone, whether route risk assessments are required, and what account is taken of safety and accessibility of transport routes when allocating children to schools. HL3511

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what preventive measures they are considering to address a potential rise in excess deaths from COVID-19 in 2025, particularly among at-risk groups, due to the changes in the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation's recommendations on eligibility for vaccination against COVID-19. HL3512

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether an increase in the number of GP appointments will be needed as a result of the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation's recommendations on COVID-19 vaccine eligibility for 2025. HL3513

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Civil Aviation Authority, airline carriers and authorities of the main airports about the operation of the air traffic control system following technical failures at Edinburgh Airport on 15 December; and what assessment they have made of the operation of air traffic control technology. HL3514

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of the missiles manufactured by the Thales Air Defence bases in Belfast and Crossgar are transported annually to (1) Ukraine, and (2) Israel, for defensive purposes. HL3515

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the rate of statutory sick pay on (1) employee retention, (2) economic activity, and (3) growth. HL3516

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Civil Aviation Authority and NATS Holdings about the delays and cancellations at Edinburgh Airport on 15 December. HL3517

Lord Swire to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to placing the Devon and Cornwall Police under special measures. HL3518

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to regulate the use of artificial intelligence in the healthcare system. HL3519

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support local councils in achieving their target for 1.5 million new homes. HL3520

Lord Wallace of Tankerness to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to signing and ratifying the Council of Europe Convention on Access to Official Documents. HL3521

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]

26 November (10 December)

HL2901 Baroness Finn [Cabinet Office]

HL2929 Lord Mackinlay of Richborough [Department for Education]

27 November (11 December)

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

HL2981 Baroness Gohir [Women and Equalities]

28 November (12 December)

HL3033 Lord Blunkett [Department for Education]

2 December (16 December)

HL3054 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3059 Lord Booth [Department for Work and Pensions]

HL3060 Baroness Boycott [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3061 Lord Browne of Belmont [Department for Education]

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

HL3062 Lord Browne of Belmont [Department for Education]
HL3066 The Lord Bishop of Derby [Women and Equalities]
HL3067 The Lord Bishop of Derby [Department for Education]
HL3089 Baroness Kennedy of Cradley [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]
HL3093 The Lord Bishop of Lincoln [Department for Education]
HL3097 Baroness McIntosh of Pickering [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3099 Baroness McIntosh of Pickering [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3103 Baroness Pidgeon [Department for Education]
HL3104 Baroness Pidgeon [Department for Education]
HL3105 Baroness Pidgeon [Department for Education]
HL3106 Baroness Redfern [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3124 Lord Wigley [Department for Education]

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

Cabinet Office (1)

Education (10)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (8)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (2)

Women and Equalities (2)

Work and Pensions (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	
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	18 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	18 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
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	
Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asylum Support (Prescribed Period) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	

LEGISLATION

Non-Consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences) Bill [HL]	Private Member's
Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]	Private Member's
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	
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
Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]	Private Member's
Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]	Private Member's

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 Community Radio Order 2025

Draft Gambling Act 2005 (Operating Licence Conditions) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025

Draft Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Gambling Levy Regulations 2025

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

Draft Space Industry (Licence Exemption for Military Activities of Allies) Regulations 2025

Draft Electricity Capacity (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Energy Bill Relief Scheme and Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Online Safety Act 2023 (Category 1, Category 2A and Category 2B Threshold Conditions) 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

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.

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
Restoration and Renewal Programme Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	1.00pm
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 2	2.00pm
Holocaust Memorial Bill Select Committee	Room 2A	2.30pm
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
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 6	2.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Built Environment Committee	Room 4	4.00pm

Tuesday 7 January

International Agreements Committee		4.00pm
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Wednesday 8 January

Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 2A	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee		10.30am
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

Thursday 9 January

Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] Special Public Bill 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 Monday 16 December 2024

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Guildford.

1 **Notification of absence** The Lord Speaker notified the House of his absence on 6 December and from 9 to 13 December.

Public Business

2 **Anti-social behaviour and shoplifting** A question was asked by Baroness Hazarika and answered by Lord Hanson of Flint.

3 **Older People's Housing Taskforce** A question was asked by Lord Best and answered by Lord Khan of Burnley.

4 **Domestic animals: welfare** A question was asked by Lord Black of Brentwood and answered by Baroness Hayman of Ullock.

5 **International anti-corruption court** A question was asked by Lord Hain and answered by Lord Collins of Highbury.

6 **Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament** The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) moved 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. The motion was agreed to.

7 **Football Governance Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 110. Amendments were considered. The House resumed after amendment 142.

8 **Puberty-suppressing hormones: next steps** Baroness Merron answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Wednesday 11 December.

The House adjourned. The House resumed.

9 **Football Governance Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 143. The House resumed after amendment 171.

The House adjourned at 11.40pm until Tuesday 17 December at 2.30pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

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

Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL] The Grand Committee further considered the bill, beginning with the adjourned debate on amendment 87. Amendment 133 was agreed to. The Committee adjourned after amendment 134.

The Committee adjourned at 8.14pm.

Papers

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

Command Papers

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

- 1 Modern Slavery—Government Response to the Report of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 Committee. (1216)
- 2 Devolution—*English Devolution White Paper: Power and Partnership: Foundations for Growth: Government proposals.* (1218)

Affirmative Instruments

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

- 1 Draft Electricity Capacity (Amendment) Regulations 2025
- 2 Draft Energy Bill Relief Scheme and Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2024
- 3 Draft Online Safety Act 2023 (Category 1, Category 2A and Category 2B Threshold Conditions) Regulations 2025

Negative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House:

- 1 Communications (Television Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (1330)

Papers subject to disapproval

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Draft Illegal Content Codes of Practice for Search Services, together with an Explanatory Memorandum
- 2 Draft Illegal Content Codes of Practice for User-to-User Services, together with an Explanatory Memorandum

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Capacity Market (Amendment) (No. 3) Rules 2024
- 2 Report and Accounts of the Commission for Local Administration in England (Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman) 2023–24
- 3 Report and Accounts of the Committee on Climate Change 2023–24
- 4 Report and Accounts of the Horserace Betting Levy Board 2023–24

