

Thursday 19 December 2024 at 11.00am*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

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

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

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

***The Lord Bishop of Guildford** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to review the rules on home schooling in the light of the murder of Sara Sharif.

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to move that this House takes note of the importance of growing the rural economy. (*Balloted debate, 2½ hours*)

Lord Alton of Liverpool to move that this House takes note of government policy towards China especially in relation to human rights and security issues arising from China's actions in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Tibet, and the South China Sea, and against the Uyghurs in Xinjiang. (*Balloted debate, 2½ hours*)

Future Business**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.

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



†**National Insurance Contributions (Secondary Class 1 Contributions) Bill** Second Reading [Lord Livermore]

†**Baroness Kramer** to move, as an amendment to the motion that the bill be now read a second time, at end to insert “but that, while recognising the need to rebuild public services and finances, this House regrets that the Bill risks worsening pressures in the NHS and social care by placing costs on GPs and dentists, social care providers and hospices; increases burdens on small businesses, early years providers, universities and charities; and penalises part-time work, and puts jobs and economic growth at risk”.

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 1 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 3 January.

Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill Second Reading [Lord Hanson of Flint]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Hanson of Flint to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole House that they consider the bill in the following order:

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| Clauses 1 to 4 | Clauses 13 to 34 |
| Schedules 1 and 2 | Schedule 4 |
| Clauses 5 to 12 | Clauses 35 to 38 |
| Schedule 3 | Title. |

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 2 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 6 January.

Business of the House The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) to move that, in the event of the Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill having been brought from the House of Commons, Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Wednesday 15 January 2025 to allow the Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day.

Proceedings on the following motions will be taken in accordance with Standing Order 68 (Reports from the Conduct Committee) which requires that any motion on a report resulting from an investigation under the Code of Conduct, together with any motion on a sanction, be decided without debate.

Conduct Baroness Manningham-Buller to move that the Report from the Select Committee *The conduct of Baroness Meyer* (2nd Report, HL Paper 58) be agreed to.

If the 2nd Report from the Conduct Committee is agreed to, Baroness Manningham-Buller to move to resolve that, in accordance with Standing Order 11, Baroness Meyer be suspended from the service of the House for a period of three weeks; and that, in accordance with section 1 of the House of Lords (Expulsion and Suspension) Act 2015, in the opinion of this House, the conduct giving rise to this resolution occurred after the coming into force of that Act.

Conduct Baroness Manningham-Buller to move that the Report from the Select Committee *The conduct of Lord Stone of Blackheath* (3rd Report, HL Paper 59) be agreed to.

If the 3rd Report from the Conduct Committee is agreed to, Baroness Manningham-Buller to move to resolve that, in accordance with Standing Order 11, Lord Stone of Blackheath be suspended from the service of the House for a period of six months; and that, in accordance with section 1 of the House of Lords (Expulsion and Suspension) Act 2015, in the opinion of this House, the conduct giving rise to this resolution occurred after the coming into force of that Act.

†**Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill to move that the bill be committed to a Grand Committee, and that it be an instruction to the Grand Committee that they consider the bill in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 10
Schedule

Clauses 11 to 31
Title.

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.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 3 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 7 January.

Baroness Brown of Cambridge to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *Long-duration energy storage: get on with it* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 68).

Topical Question for Short Debate. Ballot opens at 10am on Monday 30 December, to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 31 December.

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).

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.

Tuesday 14 January 2025 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Morgan of Drefelin** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the provision of health services in prisons.

***Lord Bruce of Bennachie** to ask His Majesty's Government what are their main strategic objectives for developing closer diplomatic relationships with countries in sub-Saharan Africa, in terms of aid, trade, investment or cultural exchange.

***The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government, following Historic England's publication of the latest Heritage at Risk Register, what plans they have to ensure adequate support for listed historic buildings.

Wednesday 15 January 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to prevent political parties, and activities to promote political parties, from receiving funding from outside of the United Kingdom, and whether they plan to grant additional powers to the Electoral Commission in this regard.

†***Baroness Keeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the value to state school pupils of school visits to theatres, museums and galleries, and of the value of a creative education for all pupils.

†***Baroness Hazarika** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to tackle court backlogs, and whether they have considered reducing trial by jury.

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.

Lord Patel to move that this House takes note of the case for improving cancer outcomes in England through (1) early diagnosis, (2) improvements in care, and (3) research.

Baroness Doocey to move that this House takes note of the case for greater coordination between police, courts, His Majesty's Prison Service, the Probation Service and social services to reduce crime.

Select Committee Reports

The date on which the report was published is in italics.

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*

†**Baroness O'Grady of Upper Holloway** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Modern Slavery Act 2015 Committee *The Modern Slavery Act 2015: becoming world-leading again* (HL Paper 8). *16 October*

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*)

Lord McInnes of Kilwinning to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness and enforcement of the breed-specific legislation regarding XL Bully-type dogs. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in developing a National Youth Strategy. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 18 December and due for answer by 6 January 2025.

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage free and fair elections in Bangladesh. HL3578

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the levels of transnational repression and other politically linked harassment taking place in the UK towards British residents and visitors with links to Bangladesh; and what steps they have taken in response. HL3579

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to introduce a compensation scheme for farmers for any damages to crops by (1) beavers and (2) wild boars, or to provide other financial support for farmers whose land beavers and wild boars are living on or travelling through. HL3580

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to introduce a national monitoring system for wild boars and feral pigs to support environmental goals, manage social conflicts, and increase preparedness in the event of an outbreak of African swine fever. HL3581

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to update the Feral Wild Boar Action Plan published in 2008. HL3582

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the level of funding for the Dover Port Health Authority in conjunction with UK Border Force to carry out checks for illegal personal imports of meat; and whether funding is adequate at other border points for arrivals by air and sea. HL3583

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made on developing the Avenue Verte cycle route launched at the UK–France Joint Leaders' Declaration in March 2023. HL3584

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill on 18 December (HL3382), whether they will publish a cost estimate for the construction of HS2 tunnels from Old Oak Common to Euston before construction work starts; and before its destination and design is published and approved, as required by government procurement rules. HL3585

Lord Booth to ask His Majesty's Government how they intend to raise awareness among small and medium-sized enterprises of the UK's accession to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP), and of the benefits of membership, including by reference to the size and growth of the CPTPP market. HL3586

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to revise the school food standards guide so as to maximise the nutritional value of food served through the school breakfast programme. HL3587

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to introduce mandatory reporting of food waste within the supply chains of large food retailers. HL3588

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential merits of aligning subsidies paid out of public expenditure with the food waste hierarchy statutory guidance. HL3589

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have estimated what proportion of food being sent to anaerobic digestion plants that is edible and fit for human consumption. HL3590

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have assessed the impact on the living standards of different groups of people in receipt of Universal Credit resulting from the difference between the benefit uprating of 1.7 per cent from April 2025 and a higher inflation forecast for 2025–26. HL3591

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty's Government, for each of the most recent five years for which data are available, what was the total amount of public expenditure that has been allocated to companies or charities for the purposes of (1) anaerobic digestion and (2) redistributing surplus food for human consumption. HL3592

The Lord Bishop of Chelmsford to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hanson of Flint on 25 November (HL2389), in which he says that the Home Office review into immigration detention will not assess all areas of the Brook House Inquiry, whether they intend to review the recommendations in another review or assessment, and what would the timescale be for this work. HL3593

Lord Colgrain to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker what has been the cost of the work on the Restoration and Renewal programme since 2012 in respect of (1) the salaries, recruitment fees, and redundancy payments for non-parliamentary staff, such as those working for the Sponsor Body and Delivery Authority, (2) the costs of contractors to undertake surveys and preparatory work, and (3) the work assessing and preparing decant locations. HL3594

Baroness Deech to ask His Majesty's Government, following the Chancellor of the Exchequer's request to departments to identify 5 per cent efficiency savings, what consideration has been given to economies in the cost of constructing a planned underground Holocaust Learning Centre in Victoria Tower Gardens. HL3595

Baroness Deech to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to give consideration to the options for reform set out by the Law Commission in its scoping report *Financial remedies on divorce and dissolution* (HC 460), published on 17 December. HL3596

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government what were the levels of overpayments in benefit expenditure by the Department for Work and Pensions in (1) 2022–23, and (2) 2023–24; and what is that as a percentage of overall benefit expenditure. HL3597

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government what was the level of fraud and error in relation to benefits payments by the Department for Work and Pensions in each of the past two years. HL3598

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the decision of the High Court in Northern Ireland that a public inquiry must be established into the murder of Sean Brown in 1997. HL3599

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to appeal the judgment of the High Court in Northern Ireland that the Government must establish a public inquiry into the murder of Sean Brown in 1997. HL3600

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the cost implications of the judgment of the High Court in Northern Ireland that the Government must establish a public inquiry into the 1997 murder of Sean Brown. HL3601

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government what are the implications of the judgment of the High Court in Northern Ireland that the Government must hold a public inquiry into the death of Sean Brown in 1997 for other such inquiries, particularly in light of the Government's decision not to establish an inquiry into the Patrick Finucane case. HL3602

Baroness Finn to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will provide a list of all Civil Service committees that exercise management functions in relation to the Civil Service, including the membership of each committee; and what changes, if any, have been made to the Civil Service Governance Framework since the publication in November 2023 of the *Independent Review of Governance and Accountability in the Civil Service* by Lord Maude of Horsham. HL3603

Baroness Finn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Minister of State for the Department for Culture, Media and Sport on 4 December (HC16604), whether they will place in the Library of the House a list of the reference numbers of Government Art Collection works that have been removed from 10 and 12 Downing Street since the general election; and a list of the reference numbers of works that are scheduled to be removed. HL3604

Baroness Finn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answers by Baroness Twycross on 1 November (HL1767) and by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office on 7 November (HC9001), on what dates before the Taylor Swift concert did representatives of the Prime Minister speak to representatives of Taylor Swift in relation to the provision of a police escort for Taylor Swift. HL3605

Baroness Finn to ask His Majesty's Government what is their policy on the length of time that (1) Cabinet Ministers, and (2) the Foreign Secretary, should remain in office. HL3606

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made regarding the implementation of the recommendations from the 2021 Ethiopia scoping mission by the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative. HL3607

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to make it simpler and quicker for communities to request changes to speed limits and implement road danger reduction measures. HL3608

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to devolve drugs policy to councils or mayors. HL3609

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that County Council elections cannot be cancelled for purely partisan political purposes. HL3610

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have considered alternative proposals to local government unitarisation put forward by district councils. HL3611

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask His Majesty's Government what criteria they will apply to "small unitary authorities" when assessing whether they will be expected to merge with other authorities. HL3612

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will place in the Library of the House a copy of any findings or outcomes of the exploratory work completed by NHS England that is described in the National Data Guardian's Annual Report for 2023–2024 on the topic of adding a patient-facing function to GP Connect to enable people to see who has accessed their health records. HL3613

The Earl of Lytton to ask His Majesty's Government how many residential mortgages were handled by or on behalf of UK Asset Resolution in each 12-month period beginning with 1 July 2017; for each period what were (1) the number of compulsory repossessions and sales of underlying security; (2) the average surplus or shortfall realised upon sale of a security as a percentage of the stated mortgage acquisition cost; (3) the number of mortgagors against whom action was initiated after a sale to recover a shortfall in proceeds; and (4) the average administrative costs charged to mortgagors in respect of the combined property repossession, forced sale, and debt recovery processes. HL3614

Lord Moylan to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to continue or replace the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme beyond its expiry date in March 2025. HL3615

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to make apprenticeships more financially viable for young people and their families. HL3616

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address loneliness and social isolation as a root cause of foodbank usage following a recent report published by the Centre for Social Justice which found that over twice as many people who use foodbanks feel lonely most of the time compared to other adults. HL3617

Lord Offord of Garvel to ask His Majesty's Government what estimates they have made of carbon prices in 2030. HL3618

Lord Offord of Garvel to ask His Majesty's Government what assumptions they use for internal modelling purposes for traded carbon values in each year up to 2030. HL3619

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government when the communique for the Inter-Ministerial Group for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs held on 18 November will be published on GOV.UK, given their commitment to publish communiqués within two weeks of the Inter-Ministerial Group taking place. HL3620

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Report on the Call for Evidence about the Financial Conduct Authority, published by the APPG for Investment Fraud and Fairer Financial Services, and what steps they are taking to implement its recommendations. HL3621

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the recommendation from the APPG for Investment Fraud and Fairer Financial Services to establish a Financial Regulators' Supervisory Council and to conduct periodic reviews of the operational effectiveness of the Financial Conduct Authority. HL3622

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to reform the process for appointing the Financial Conduct Authority's senior leadership and to introduce Parliamentary oversight of the appointment of its Chair. HL3623

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of research led by Dr Mary Abed Al Ahad of the University of St Andrews showing that people exposed to high levels of pollution are more likely to suffer from depression, anxiety and psychosis; and whether they plan to reduce pollution in cities as a result. HL3624

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure consumers' data is protected from smart devices collecting more information than their function requires. HL3625

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage more investment into new data centres in the UK. HL3626

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential the Laboratory for AI Security Research could offer for both the public and private sector. HL3627

Lord Teverson to ask His Majesty's Government, further to their policy paper *30by30 on land in England: confirmed criteria and next steps*, published on 29 October, what role they intend Local Nature Recovery Strategies to have in achieving their '30 by 30' targets. HL3628

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Chancellor of the Exchequer is planning to visit China in early 2025, and what level of priority they are giving to developing a relationship with China built on trade and investment. HL3629

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government to what extent pragmatic but stable engagement with China is integral to their foreign policy. HL3630

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the likelihood of a "G2" being formed within the G20 between China and the United States, and what steps they are taking to influence the establishment of such a group. HL3631

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have conducted an impact assessment of adding China on to the enhanced tier of the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme. HL3632

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made an estimate of the reduction in foreign direct investment from China from adding it to the enhanced tier of the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme. HL3633

Viscount Waverley to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have of the impact on economic growth of adding China to the enhanced tier of the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme. HL3634

Lord Wigley to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to discuss with the Welsh Government the full implications of the proposed rises to National Insurance contributions which the Welsh Government will be responsible for implementing in the financial year 2025–26 and the timeframe; and what proportion of the additional payments which the Welsh Government as an employer will be required to make will be covered by additional funding from the Treasury. HL3635

The Lord Bishop of Winchester to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to provide aid to Christian communities in Nigeria facing persecution and violence. HL3636

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)

HL2929 Lord Mackinlay of Richborough [Department for Education]

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]

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

HL3061 Lord Browne of Belmont [Department for Education]

HL3062 Lord Browne of Belmont [Department for Education]

HL3067 The Lord Bishop of Derby [Department for Education]

HL3093 The Lord Bishop of Lincoln [Department for Education]

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]

3 December (17 December)

HL3132 Lord Dodds of Duncairn [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3133 Lord Dodds of Duncairn [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3134 Lord Dodds of Duncairn [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3142 Baroness Gale [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3163 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3164 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3165 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3166 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3167 Lord Roborough [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3171 Lord Storey [Department for Education]
HL3177 Lord Turnberg [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]
HL3178 Lord Turnberg [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]
HL3179 Lord Turnberg [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

4 December (18 December)

HL3187 Lord Lucas [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]
HL3188 Lord Lucas [Department for Education]
HL3189 Lord Lucas [Department for Science, Innovation and Technology]
HL3190 Lord Lucas [Department for Education]
HL3199 Baroness Neville-Rolfe [Treasury]

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

Education (13)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (16)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (4)

Science, Innovation and Technology (1)

Treasury (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	7 January
Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [HL]	Government	8 January
Road Traffic Offences (Cycling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
National Insurance Contributions (Secondary Class 1 Contributions) Bill	Government	6 January
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 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	
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	
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
Data (Use and Access) 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 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

Draft Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2025

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

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

Draft 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 Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024

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

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

Draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2025

Draft Separation of Waste (England) Regulations 2024 *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements etc.) Regulations 2025 *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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 *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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*

Prison and Young Offender Institution (Interception of Communications) (Amendment) Rules 2024 *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 22 January*

Damages (Personal Injury) (England and Wales) Order 2024 *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 27 January*

Advertising (Less Healthy Food Definitions and Exemptions) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 12th Report. Praying time ends 28 January*

Branded Health Service Medicines (Costs) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 29 January*

Tribunal Procedure (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2024 *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 31 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*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Croatia on the Termination of the Agreement between the two countries for the Promotion and Protection of Investments, done at London on 11 March 1997 *Scrutiny period expires: 6 February 2025*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Slovenia on the Termination of the Agreement between the two countries for the Promotion and Protection of Investments, done at Ljubljana on 3 July 1996 *Scrutiny period expires: 6 February 2025*

Treaties considered by a Select Committee

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 7 January

Industry and Regulators Committee		10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee		2.00pm
International Agreements Committee		4.00pm

Wednesday 8 January

Financial Services Regulation Committee		10.00am
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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Tuesday 14 January

European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
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Wednesday 15 January

House of Lords Commission	Room 4A	10.30am
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm

Monday 3 February

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 4A	3.30pm
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Wednesday 5 February

Finance Committee	Room 3A	3.45pm
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Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday 18 December 2024

The House met at 3.00pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Guildford.

Select Committee Report

1 Statutory Instruments

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

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. (10th Report, HL Paper 63)

Private Business

2 **Private Bills** The Examiners certified that the Standing Orders which are applicable to the petitions for the following Bills have been complied with:

General Cemetery Bill;

Norwich Livestock Market Bill;

Malvern Hills Bill;

City of London (Markets) Bill.

3 **Private Bills** The Senior Deputy Speaker informed the House that, in accordance with Private Business Standing Order 90 (*Division of bills between this House and House of Commons*), the following Bills should originate in the House of Lords:

General Cemetery Bill;

Norwich Livestock Market Bill;

Malvern Hills Bill;

and that the following Bill should originate in the House of Commons:

City of London (Markets) Bill.

Public Business

4 **Hammersmith Bridge** A question was asked by Lord Harries of Pentregarth and answered by Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill.

5 **Housing: permitted development rights** A question was asked by Lord Crisp and answered by Baroness Taylor of Stevenage.

6 **Independent Office for Police Conduct** A question was asked by Lord Lexden and answered by Lord Hanson of Flint.

7 **Pension review: phase 2** A question was asked by Lord Davies of Brixton and answered by Baroness Sherlock.

8 **National Insurance Contributions (Secondary Class 1 Contributions) Bill** A bill to make provision about secondary Class 1 contributions was brought from the Commons. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 56)

9 **National Insurance Contributions (Secondary Class 1 Contributions) Bill** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 56–EN)

10 **Liaison** Lord Gardiner of Kimble moved that the Report from the Select Committee *New committee activity in 2025* (3rd Report, HL Paper 56) be agreed to. The motion was agreed to.

11 **Recognition of Professional Qualifications and Implementation of International Recognition Agreements (Amendment) (Extension to Switzerland etc.) Regulations 2024** Lord Leong moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 4 November be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

12 **Information Sharing (Disclosure by the Registrar) Regulations 2024** Lord Leong moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 22 May be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

13 **Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships (Protection and Disclosure of Information and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024** Lord Leong moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 31 October be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

14 **Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Designated Activities) (Supervision and Enforcement) Regulations 2024** Lord Livermore moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 11 November be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

15 **Short Selling Regulations 2024** Lord Livermore moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 11 November be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

16 **Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ring-fenced Bodies, Core Activities, Excluded Activities and Prohibitions) (Amendment) Order 2024** Lord Livermore moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 11 November be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

17 **Silicon Valley Bank UK Limited Compensation Scheme Order 2024** Lord Livermore moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 6 November be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

18 **Football Governance Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 172. Amendments were considered. The House resumed after amendment 250.

19 **Qualifications reform review** Baroness Smith of Malvern answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Thursday 12 December.

The House adjourned. The House resumed.

20 **Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL]** The bill was reported from the Grand Committee with amendments. The bill, as amended, was ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 57)

21 **Football Governance Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 251. Amendments were considered. The House resumed after amendment 295.

The House adjourned at 11.11pm until Thursday 19 December at 11.00am.

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 amendment 135. Amendments 136, 213 and 214 were agreed to. It was ordered that the bill be reported with amendments.

The Committee adjourned at 8.35pm.

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 Justice—Monitoring places of detention: Fifteenth Annual Report of the United Kingdom’s National Preventive Mechanism for 2023–24. (1290)
- 2 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Companies (Accounts and Reports) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2024, originally laid on 10 December. (—)

Affirmative Instrument

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

- 1 Draft Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2025

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 General Medical Council (Registration Appeals Panels Procedure) (Amendment) Rules Order of Council 2024 (1351)
- 2 General Medical Council (Applications for General Practice and Specialist Registration) (Amendment) Regulations Order of Council 2024 (1352)

Treaties subject to scrutiny under the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010

The following papers were laid before the House by command of His Majesty, together with Explanatory Memoranda:

- 1 Business—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Croatia on the Termination of the Agreement between the two countries for the Promotion and Protection of Investments, done at London on 11 March 1997 (1230)
- 2 Business—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Slovenia on the Termination of the Agreement between the two countries for the Promotion and Protection of Investments, done at Ljubljana on 3 July 1996 (1231)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Account of Arts Council of Northern Ireland Lottery Distribution 2023–24
- 2 Memorandum of Understanding between the Financial Conduct Authority and the Bank of England
- 3 Report and Accounts of United Kingdom Anti-Doping Limited 2023–24
- 4 Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Post Office Limited 2023–24
- 5 Report and Financial Statements of the British Film Institute Group and National Lottery 2023–24

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

- 6 Report by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport on the use of powers under Section 70 of the Charities Act 2006, for 2022–23 and 2023–24
- 7 Report of Royal Mail Group Limited on Postal Heritage 2021–22
- 8 Report of Royal Mail Group Limited on Postal Heritage 2022–23
- 9 Report of the Appointed Person for England and Wales 2023–24
- 10 Report of the Bank of England’s supervision of financial market infrastructures for the period 16 December 2023 to 17 December 2024
- 11 Report of the Director of Legal Aid Casework 2023–24
- 12 Report of the Post Office Network 2024
- 13 Report of the Regulator of Community Interest Companies 2023–24
- 14 Report on Local Authority Smallholdings in England 2022–23
- 15 Report on the Armed Forces Covenant 2024
- 16 Report on the government review on introducing costs protections in civil recovery proceedings in the High Court under Part 5 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002
- 17 Report on the Marine Protected Areas Network for 2019–2024
- 18 Report on the number of unexplained wealth orders made by the High Court in England and Wales, and applications made to that Court for such orders, for the period May 2023 to May 2024