

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.

***Lord Mann** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to implement the recommendations of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse led by Professor Alexis Jay.

Business of the House The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) to move that Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Wednesday 15 January to allow the Financial Assistance to Ukraine 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.

Lord Hamilton of Epsom to move, as an amendment to the above motion, to leave out from "that" to end and to insert "this House declines to agree the Report from the Conduct Committee *The conduct of Baroness Meyer*."

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.

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Items marked † are new or have been altered

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



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.

National Insurance Contributions (Secondary Class 1 Contributions) Bill Lord Livermore to move that the bill be committed to a Grand Committee.

†**Baroness Williams of Trafford** to move, as an amendment to the above motion, to leave out “Grand Committee” and to insert “Committee of the Whole House”.

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.

Future Business

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.

†***Baroness Goldie** to ask His Majesty’s Government what progress has been made in the technological advancement and modernisation of the United Kingdom’s air defence capabilities.

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).

Lord Farmer to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they intend to change requirements for civil servants to work in government offices following a vote for possible strike action over compulsory office attendance at the Land Registry. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

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.

†**Great British Energy Bill** Committee (day 3) [Lord Hunt of Kings Heath] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

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

†**Registrar (Identity Verification and Authorised Corporate Service Providers) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Leong]

†**Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Leong]

†**Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Gustafsson]

†**Official Controls (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Hayman of Ullock] *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report*

†**Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Hayman of Ullock]

†**Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Taylor of Stevenage]

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 8 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 10 January.*

†**Mental Health Bill [HL]** Committee [Baroness Merron] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought*

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 9 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 13 January*

†*If the Business of the House motion relating to the Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill to be taken on Wednesday 8 January is agreed to, it is expected that the Bill will be read a Second time and that remaining stages will be taken.*

†**Football Governance Bill [HL]** Committee (day 7) [Baroness Twycross] *8th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Thursday 16 January 2025 at 11.00am

†**Margaret Curren** will be introduced as a Baroness, and

†**Claude Moraes** OBE will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Rawlings** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the cutting of undersea internet cables in the Baltic Sea in November 2024.

***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implications for online safety posed by small, high-risk online platforms, such as 8Chan.

***Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to reform the Independent Commission on Reconciliation and Information Recovery to strengthen its independence, powers and accountability.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 10 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 14 January.*

Baroness Northover to move that this House takes note of the challenges to a rules-based international order, and their impact on global cohesion, stability and security.

†**Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support the healthcare system in Gaza. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

Lord Teverson to move that this House takes note of the challenges caused by the effects of climate change on natural ecosystems and the role of nature conservation in combating global warming.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

†**The Senior Deputy Speaker** (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the report from the Corporate Officer of the House of Commons and the Corporate Officer of the House of Lords, *Restoration and Renewal: Annual Progress Report 2024* (HC Paper 228).

Friday 17 January 2025 at 10.00am

†**Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Baroness Grey-Thompson]

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

†**Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle]

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

†**Universal Credit (Standard Allowance Entitlement of Care Leavers) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [the Lord Bishop of Manchester]

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

†**Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]** Committee [Baroness Hamwee]

Monday 20 January 2025 at 2.30pm

†**Theresa Griffin** will be introduced as a Baroness, and

†**Philip Wilson** will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Browne of Ladyton** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of recent comments by the trade minister of Colombia regarding the investor-state dispute settlement provisions in the UK/Colombia bilateral investment treaty.

***Lord Farmer** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to address the health and social impacts of first-cousin marriage, including those relating to women's rights.

***Lord Hamilton of Epsom** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in securing a free trade agreement with the United States.

***Lord Balfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to fulfil demand for the revival or replacement of the Erasmus programme.

†*It is expected that the Committee stage of the Mental Health Bill [HL] will continue.*

†**Lord Davies of Gower** to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to cease using hotels to house asylum seekers. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

†**Electricity Capacity Mechanism (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Hunt of Kings Heath]

†**Clean Heat Market Mechanism Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Hunt of Kings Heath] *10th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Deposit Scheme for Drinks Containers (England and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Hayman of Ullock] *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 11th Report*

†**Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements etc.) Regulations 2025** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill] *12th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2025** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent]

Tuesday 21 January 2025 at 2.30pm

†**The Rt Hon. Dame Thérèse Coffey DBE** will be introduced as a Baroness, and

†**David Evans** will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to review the National Trust Acts.

***Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they are making on reducing homelessness.

***Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of children in primary schools who do not have regular swimming lessons in school time.

†**Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL]** Report [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*

Wednesday 22 January 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Dubs** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to control or limit donations from abroad to British political parties.

***Lord Faulkner of Worcester** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to implement a rolling programme of railway electrification, and if so to what timescale.

***Lord Spellar** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to announce the orders for the first small modular nuclear reactors.

Thursday 23 January 2025 at 11.00am

†**Sir Brendan Barber**, and

†**Russell Rook OBE** will be introduced as Barons.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Woodley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential merits of insourcing all prison maintenance.

***Baroness Thornton** to ask His Majesty's Government what is the timetable for legalising humanist weddings in England and Wales.

***The Lord Bishop of Sheffield** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the availability and accessibility of legal aid for asylum seekers.

Monday 27 January 2025 at 2.30pm

†**Lyn Brown** will be introduced as a Baroness, and

†**The Rt Hon. Carwyn Jones** will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Whitty** to ask His Majesty's Government whether, before or alongside changes in local government structure in England, they will undertake a thorough review of the sources of funding, basis, and equity of local government financial resources at all levels, having regard to both the responsibility of individual councils and the balance of responsibility between central and local government.

***Lord Bradley** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to review the service provided by Avanti West Coast between Manchester and London.

***Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what role children's rights will play in their plans to improve children's wellbeing and opportunities.

***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the amount of energy used in internet activity, and in particular in mining cryptocurrencies.

Tuesday 28 January 2025 at 2.30pm

†**The Hon. Toby Young**, and

†**Nigel Biggar CBE** will be introduced as Barons.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to address demand for support from young, disabled people and their families, particularly in relation to provision of social care services, as they transition to adulthood.

***Baroness Bakewell of Hardington Mandeville** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to prevent community pharmacy closures.

***Lord Howard of Rising** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have further plans regarding the status of retained EU law.

Wednesday 29 January 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Hayman** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to coordinate policies on reaching net zero and restoring nature across government.

***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government how many of the £168 million fines proposed by Ofwat on 6 August 2024 against Thames Water, Yorkshire Water, and Northumbrian Water have been collected.

***Lord German** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to process the outstanding asylum applications of Syrians in the UK.

Thursday 30 January 2025 at 11.00am

The Lord Bishop of Peterborough will be introduced, and

†**Alison Levitt KC** will be introduced as a Baroness.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve musculoskeletal health.

***Baroness Royall of Blaisdon** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with international partners about the Taliban's restrictions on women in Afghanistan, including a ban on women attending medical schools.

***Lord Evans of Rainow** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to involve schools in the commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the end of World War II.

Monday 3 February 2025 at 2.30pm

†**Gerard Lemos CMG CBE** will be introduced as a Baron, and

†**Catherine Carberry CBE** will be introduced as a Baroness.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Rooker** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to make council tax more progressive.

***Lord Harlech** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the economic impact of uncertainty surrounding major defence contracts.

***Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the National Literacy Trust's 2024 annual literacy survey showing that children and young people's reading for enjoyment is at an all-time low, particularly with regard to the fall in the past year; and what assessment they have made of the impact of the fall in the number of secondary schools with a designated onsite library area.

***Baroness Warwick of Undercliffe** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce the waiting time for access to mental health treatment.

Tuesday 4 February 2025 at 2.30pm

†**Kumar Raval OBE**, and

†**Kevin Brennan** will be introduced as Barons.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Baroness Altmann** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure the taxpayer spending on pension fund reliefs has a beneficial long-term impact on the United Kingdom's economy and financial markets.

†***Lord Davidson of Glen Clova** to ask His Majesty's Government what were the outcomes of the UK–China Economic and Financial Strategy Dialogue held in Beijing in January.

†***Lord Storey** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to deal with mental health problems in primary schools.

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 Helic to move that this House takes note of the implications for the UK–Rwanda bilateral relationship of Rwanda's reported support for the M23 militia.

†**Lord Sikka** to move that this House takes note of the tax implications of corporations shifting profits to low and no-tax jurisdictions.

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 2024*

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 2024*

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 2024*

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 2024*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Lord Clement-Jones to move that this House regrets that the Copyright and Performances (Application to Other Countries) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024, laid before the House on 13 November 2024 (SI 2024/1124), did not involve consultation on Option 0A, which will result in inequitable treatment of performers on sound recordings based on their nationality.

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 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 2024; 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*)

Baroness Deech to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report of the Law Commission, *Financial Remedies on divorce and dissolution: A scoping report*, published on 17 December 2024; and whether they plan to reform the law relating to financial provision on divorce. (*Ministry of Justice*)

Lord Lucas to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have made and tested for events that could threaten the United Kingdom's electricity supplies, such as a prolonged period of low wind and sunlight, or a large solar storm. (*Department for Energy Security and Net Zero*)

†**Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reform the law on political donations. (*Cabinet Office*)

†**Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they plan to take to raise the employee activity rate in the United Kingdom. (*Department for Work and Pensions*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 7 January and due for answer by 21 January.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to raise, during the forthcoming visit of the Prime Minister of Iraq, the position of the Yazidi minority and the security situation in Sinjar, the return of internally displaced people to Sinjar, and the use of evidence collected by UNITAD detailing atrocities committed against Yazidis and other minorities. HL3784

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to combat global activism against sexual and reproductive rights. HL3785

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what are their priorities in formulating their policies on sexual and reproductive rights. HL3786

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to include a reference to allocating 10 per cent of Official Development Assistance to sexual and reproductive health and rights to achieve gender equality in the National Statement to be delivered by the UK at the 69th session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in March 2025. HL3787

Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to include a reference to allocating 10 per cent of national development budgets and development assistance budgets to the implementation of the International Conference on Population and Development Programme of Action in the National Statement to be delivered by the UK at the 69th session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in March 2025. HL3788

Lord Beamish to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to introduce the licensing of non-surgical cosmetic procedures in England. HL3789

Lord Beamish to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the cost to the NHS of treatment of individuals returning from overseas having undergone cosmetic surgery. HL3790

Lord Beamish to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to regulate the sale and marketing of overseas cosmetic surgery procedures in the UK. HL3791

Lord Beamish to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to regulate the cosmetic surgery industry. HL3792

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to place in the Library of the House a copy of the confidential document referred to in the *Daily Telegraph* on 18 December 2024, about the MV Ruby and its cargo of ammonium nitrate, as well as all correspondence with the Health and Safety Executive on this subject and any modelling of the dispersal of the chemical in sea water and its effect on marine life. HL3793

Lord Black of Brentwood to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the ending of the Latin Excellence Programme on access to Latin education in different parts of the country; and whether any areas will be disproportionately affected. HL3794

Lord Black of Brentwood to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to assist Key Stage 4 pupils in state schools whose study is disrupted by the closure of the Latin Excellence Programme; and what plans they have to ensure these students are able to complete their exam courses. HL3795

Lord Booth to ask His Majesty's Government why the Apple Hearing Aid feature is not currently permitted in the UK although it is allowed in many other countries. HL3796

Lord Booth-Smith to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to lay the finalised Charter for Budget Responsibility before Parliament, following the draft Charter of Autumn of 2024. HL3797

Lord Booth-Smith to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the impact on the volume of transactions following the reduction of the first-time buyer threshold for stamp duty to £300,000 in April 2025. HL3798

Lord Booth-Smith to ask His Majesty's Government how much they estimate the typical restaurant, café, bar or pub will pay in business rates, factoring in the retail, hospitality and leisure relief, for 2025–26 relative to 2024–25. HL3799

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government how many staff from ethnic minority backgrounds were employed in the youth justice secure estate on (1) 31 March 2024, and (2) 30 September 2024. HL3800

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government, how many prisoners arriving in custody were screened for a neurodivergent need in the year to March 2024, and what proportion this represented of the total. HL3801

Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe to ask the Leader of the House what was the average cost of responding to a Question for Written Answer tabled in the House of Lords in the most recent year for which figures are available. HL3802

Lord Cashman to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to publish in full the evidence behind their decision of 11 December 2024 to ban puberty blockers for patients over the age of 18 for the treatment of gender incongruence or gender dysphoria under the care of private or non-United Kingdom prescribers. HL3803

Lord Colgrain to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of volunteer hours put in by non-executive board members and the wider membership of the Reserve Forces and Cadet Associations. HL3804

Baroness Coussins to ask His Majesty's Government why a visa requirement for Columbian nationals travelling to the United Kingdom was reintroduced in November 2024. HL3805

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Coaker on 28 November 2024 (HL2549), how many individual claims were included in the £4,682,122 compensation paid out in the past five years to families of victims of the Troubles. HL3806

Lord Empey to ask His Majesty's Government how many outstanding claims for compensation they have received and are processing from relatives of those shot or killed by soldiers in Northern Ireland during the Troubles. HL3807

Lord Godson to ask His Majesty's Government what data they have on the employment rate of individuals (1) before they claim Personal Independence Payment, and (2) in the 12 months after their claim is approved. HL3808

Lord Godson to ask His Majesty's Government what were the most common specialist aids and equipment paid for by Access to Work in the last five financial years. HL3809

Lord Godson to ask His Majesty's Government what was the spending on support workers through Access to Work in each of the last five financial years. HL3810

Lord Godson to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of people in receipt of Disability Living Allowance transitioned to Personal Independence Payment over the last five financial years. HL3811

Lord Grocott to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill on 4 December 2024 (HL2747), which Restoring Your Railway projects are (1) already in delivery, and (2) not yet in delivery. HL3812

Lord Grocott to ask His Majesty's Government which organisations are currently designated as terrorist organisations by (1) the UN Security Council, and (2) the United Kingdom. HL3813

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hanson of Flint on 23 December 2024 (HL3397), what is the evidential basis for the answer given; and by whom, when, and at what cost to the public purse was the analysis which gave rise to it expedited and completed. HL3814

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Collins of Highbury on 2 January (HL3671), on which specific dates and times have (1) Ministers and (2) officials met, online or in person, with representatives of the Ban Conversion Therapy Coalition, since 4 July 2024. HL3815

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government how they are ensuring that digital inclusion is a core consideration, where relevant, when updating existing or delivering new policies across all government departments. HL3816

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Hong Kong following the decision of Hong Kong police to offer rewards for the arrests of pro-democracy campaigners, including British National (Overseas) passport holders resident in the UK, and the stripping of Martin Lee SC of his status as a Hong Kong Justice of the Peace. HL3817

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government what engagement is taking place between the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology and the Treasury with regard to the newly formed Financial Inclusion Committee and the future Financial Inclusion Strategy, given the commitment within the Committee's Terms of Reference to look at the link between digital and financial inclusion. HL3818

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to prevent houses from being built on functional flood plains and, in particular, on those sites located in flood zone 3b. HL3819

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government how many miles of maintenance and dredging of minor watercourses will be achieved this year. HL3820

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will consider a single budget for the maintenance and dredging of watercourses, rather than two separate ones as at present for capital and operational maintenance. HL3821

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to review the results of the pilot schemes for renting e-scooters. HL3822

Lord Mackinlay of Richborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Smith of Malvern on 19 December 2024 (HL2929), how many apprenticeship places in each year since 2010 have been (1) made available, and (2) filled, in (a) thatching, (b) stonemasonry, (c) lead work, and (d) the use of lime mortars, to support employers and learners in the heritage sector to develop the skills they need. HL3823

Lord Mackinlay of Richborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Smith of Malvern on 19 December 2024 (HL2929), how many high quality apprenticeships in the level 2 stonemason apprenticeship standard have been (1) made available and (2) filled, to support employers and learners in the heritage sector to develop the skills they need, in each year since 2010. HL3824

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government when the Defending Democracy Taskforce last met. HL3825

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government how many times the Defending Democracy Taskforce has met since it was established in 2022. HL3826

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government who attends the meetings of the Defending Democracy Taskforce. HL3827

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what is the budget for the Defending Democracy Taskforce. HL3828

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what support UK political parties have received through the Defending Democracy Taskforce. HL3829

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government how the Defending Democracy Taskforce (1) has protected, and (2) continues to protect, UK political parties. HL3830

Lord Moylan to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increasing persecution of religious minorities and Catholic clergy in Belarus, including the sentencing of Father Henrykh Akalatovich; and what steps they are taking to support freedom of religion or belief in Belarus through diplomatic or international channels. HL3831

Lord Moylan to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking in response to reports of a recent raid of the Zion Church in Beijing and the arrest of Elder Qin Guoliang by Chinese authorities on 20 October 2024; and what steps they are taking in response to the persecution of unregistered churches in China and the continued crackdown on religious freedoms. HL3832

Baroness Northover to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to include a reference to Official Development Assistance support for sexual and reproductive health and rights to achieve gender equality in the National Statement at the UN Commission on the Status of Women in March 2025; and whether this reference will specify that this should be 10 per cent as recommended by the International Parliamentarian's Conference on the Implementation of the International Conference on Population and Development. HL3833

Baroness Northover to ask His Majesty's Government what are their priorities for combating global activism against sexual and reproductive health and rights. HL3834

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what has been the total cost of the smart motorway programme to date, broken down by each motorway. HL3835

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what is total cost of the installation of new emergency areas on smart motorways, broken down by each motorway. HL3836

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of smart motorways in terms of road safety; and whether further remedial works are planned on converted smart motorways. HL3837

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government how many patients self-fund access to ruxolitinib to treat myelofibrosis, which is available privately but not on the NHS. HL3838

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what recent steps they have taken to increase the number of GPs nationwide. HL3839

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what recent steps they have taken to improve patient access to face-to-face GP appointments. HL3840

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the adequacy of the support available to those on low incomes to access cancer treatments and appropriate care. HL3841

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase mental health clinical staff within the NHS. HL3842

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any further plans to use public deliberation methods in healthcare beyond the 10 Year Health Plan. HL3843

Lord Spellar to ask His Majesty's Government what is their latest estimate of delivery times for equipment to expand capacity on the electricity grid, including high voltage cable, pylons, large power transformers and circuit breakers. HL3844

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government how many schools and colleges have been affected by issues relating to reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in the past five years. HL3845

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government how many schools and colleges have been made safe after issues relating to reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete have been identified in the past five years. HL3846

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, and according to what timetable, for the schools and colleges which are still affected by issues relating to reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete to be repaired, or to be provided with new building. HL3847

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports that firms are not managing to reach the 22-per-cent electric vehicle sales target; and what assessment they have made of whether the UK has the appropriate (1) legislation, and (2) infrastructure, in place to support the sales of electric vehicles. HL3848

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made, if any, of research published by LinkedIn on 7 January, *LinkedIn Jobs on the Rise 2025: The 25 fastest-growing roles in the UK*, which ranks 'artificial intelligence engineer' as the fastest growing job in the UK; and whether they plan to implement AI education into the national curriculum. HL3849

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure students leave education with sufficient skills in (1) financial literacy, and (2) financial education. HL3850

Lord Truscott to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ban all petrol and diesel motorcycles. HL3851

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government how they plan to assess the impact of the European Union's General Product Safety Regulations on businesses and consumers in (1) Great Britain and (2) Northern Ireland. HL3852

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to assist businesses in addressing any difficulties with the General Product Safety Regulations. HL3853

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government how many pensioners have been in receipt of Pension Credit for each month since July 2024. HL3854

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the number of pensioners entitled to claim Pension Credit who are not doing so. HL3855

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the annual cost increase arising from the greater uptake of Pension Credit since July 2024. HL3856

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase the uptake of Pension Credit by those entitled to it. HL3857

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government whether the UK is the largest European NATO contributor of maritime military capability to the Arctic region. HL3858

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the possibility of speeding up the Type 45 Power Improvement Project programme. HL3859

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government when the eighth Type 26 frigate will join the Royal Navy. HL3860

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government when HMS Victorious' refit will be completed. HL3861

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether use of dry docks in Gibraltar shipyard could ease present and future docking bottlenecks. HL3862

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.

4 November 2024 (18 November 2024)

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

6 November 2024 (20 November 2024)

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

3 December 2024 (17 December 2024)

HL3164 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL3166 Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

11 December 2024 (27 December 2024)

HL3398 Lord Jackson of Peterborough [Home Office]

12 December 2024 (30 December 2024)

HL3424 Lord Banner [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3443 Lord Hain [Department for Business and Trade]

HL3444 Lord Hain [Department for Business and Trade]

HL3445 Lord Hain [Department for Business and Trade]

17 December 2024 (3 January)

HL3523 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3525 Lord Black of Brentwood [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government]

HL3527 Lord Black of Brentwood [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL3535 Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3536 Baroness Finn [Cabinet Office]

HL3537 Baroness Finn [Cabinet Office]

HL3561 Lord Swire [Home Office]

HL3562 Lord Swire [Home Office]

HL3567 Lord Truscott [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government]

18 December 2024 (6 January)

HL3610 Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government]

HL3630 Viscount Waverley [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL3631 Viscount Waverley [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

19 December 2024 (7 January)

HL3637 Lord Berkeley [The Senior Deputy Speaker]

HL3638 Lord Blunkett [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]

HL3642 Lord Browne of Ladyton [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

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HL3643 Lord Browne of Ladyton [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]
HL3644 Lord Browne of Ladyton [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]
HL3660 Lord Gilbert of Panteg [Cabinet Office]
HL3662 Lord Gilbert of Panteg [Cabinet Office]
HL3664 Lord Gilbert of Panteg [Cabinet Office]
HL3674 Lord Kamall [Department of Health and Social Care]
HL3677 Lord Kamall [Department of Health and Social Care]
HL3678 Lord Kamall [Department of Health and Social Care]
HL3681 Lord McCrea of Magherafelt and Cookstown [Department of Health and Social Care]
HL3687 Lord Moynihan [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]
HL3688 Lord Moynihan [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]
HL3689 Lord Moynihan [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]
HL3690 Lord Moynihan [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]
HL3691 Lord Moynihan [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]
HL3692 Lord Moynihan [Department for Culture, Media and Sport]

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

Business and Trade (3)

Cabinet Office (5)

Culture, Media and Sport (7)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (3)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (8)

Health and Social Care (6)

Home Office (3)

Housing, Communities and Local Government (3)

Senior Deputy Speaker (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	17 January
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	17 January
Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	17 January
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	
Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [HL]	Government	8 January
Road Traffic Offences (Cycling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill (<i>Money Bill—19 December</i>)	Government	
Waiting for Commitment		
National Insurance Contributions (Secondary Class 1 Contributions) 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	15 January
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	17 January
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	15 January
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	13 January
Mental Health Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	14 January
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	

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Asylum Support (Prescribed Period) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Non-Consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill	Government	
Waiting for Report		
Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL]	Government	
Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	21 January
Waiting for Third Reading		
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
Sent to the Commons		
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	
Waiting for Royal Assent		
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL]	Government	
Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL]	Government	

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

Draft Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) 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 (*13 January*)

Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (*13 January*)

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

Draft Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024 (*13 January*)

Draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (*20 January*)

Draft Electricity Capacity Mechanism (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (*20 January*)

Draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (*13 January*)

Draft Official Controls (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report (13 January)*

Draft Clean Heat Market Mechanism Regulations 2024 *10th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (20 January)*

Draft Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 (*13 January*)

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 (20 January)*

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 (20 January)*

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

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*

Copyright and Performances (Application to Other Countries) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024 *Praying time ends 8 January*

Human Rights Remedial Order

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

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

Treaties before the House

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*

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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 7 January. Scrutiny period expires: 16 January*

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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 7 January. Scrutiny period expires: 16 January*

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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 7 January. Scrutiny period expires: 5 February*

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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 7 January. Scrutiny period expires: 5 February*

Retirements

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

Baroness Smith of Gilmorehill (28 February)

Lord Maxton (5 May)

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Wednesday 8 January

Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 2A	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 4A	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 2	10.30am
Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Public Services Committee	Room 3	11.00am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 8	2.00pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

Thursday 9 January

Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] Special Public Bill Committee	Room 3	2.30pm
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Tuesday 14 January

Science and Technology Committee		10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am
Built Environment Committee		10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee		10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee		2.00pm
European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
International Agreements Committee		4.00pm

Wednesday 15 January

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

Thursday 30 January

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm
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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 Tuesday 7 January 2025

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Southwark.

Public Business

- 1 **Health: obesity** A question was asked by Baroness Boycott and answered by Baroness Merron.
- 2 **Electric scooters and electric bicycles: pedestrian safety** A question was asked by Baroness Neville-Rolfe and answered by Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill.
- 3 **European Convention on Human Rights: 75th anniversary** A question was asked by Lord Foulkes of Cumnock and answered by Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede.
- 4 **Foreign-owned social media companies** A question was asked by Baroness Chakrabarti and answered by Baroness Smith of Basildon.
- 5 **Health and adult social care reform** Baroness Merron answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Monday 6 January.
- 6 **Flooding** Baroness Hayman of Ullock answered questions on a statement made in the House of Commons on Monday 6 January.
- 7 **Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill** Lord Hanson of Flint moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the motion was agreed to. Then Lord Hanson of Flint moved that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole House that they consider the bill in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 4
Schedules 1 and 2
Clauses 5 to 12
Schedule 3

Clauses 13 to 34
Schedule 4
Clauses 35 to 38
Title.

The motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 8.23pm until Wednesday 8 January at 3.00pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Paper

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

Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following paper was laid before the House:

- 1 Strategic Plan of the General Pharmaceutical Council 2020–25: year five

