

HOUSE OF LORDS BUSINESS

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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).