

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.

†***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the rise in the yields on 30-year gilts to 5.37 per cent, the highest level since 1998, and the effect of this on sterling.

†**Great British Energy Bill** Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that the bill be reported from the Committee of the Whole House in respect of proceedings up to and including 13 January; and that the order of commitment of 18 November 2024 be discharged and the remainder of the bill be committed to a Grand Committee.

Mental Health Bill [HL] Committee [Baroness Merron] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 10th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Future Business**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.

†***Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the prospects for the current peace talks involving Israeli and Palestinian leaders.

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Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill (Money Bill) Second Reading (*and remaining stages*) [Lord Livermore]

†**Lord Blencathra** to move, as an amendment to the motion that the bill be now read a second time, at end insert “but regrets that the Bill as introduced does not include provisions to allow immobilised Russian state assets, reserves, or any other property to be used to fund financial assistance to Ukraine”.

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

†*In the event that the motion in the name of Lord Hunt of Kings Heath on Tuesday, 14 January is agreed to, it is expected that the Grand Committee will consider the Great British Energy Bill at 4.15pm in the Moses Room.*

Thursday 16 January 2025 at 11.00am

Margaret Curran 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 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] *11th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

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.

†**Lord Farmer** to move that this House takes note of the conditions required for economic growth.

†*Topical Question for Short Debate. Ballot to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 14 January.*

†**Baroness Evans of Bowes Park** to move that this House takes note of the achievements of free schools and academies.

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.

Wednesday 5 February 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Goldie** to ask His Majesty's Government what engagement they have had with armed forces personnel whose children are currently educated at fee-paying schools to ascertain the impact on such families of imposing value added tax on school fees.

***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask His Majesty's Government what changes they are considering for citizenship education in schools to accompany proposals to reduce the voting age to 16.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to receive a report from the Covid Counter-Fraud Commissioner.

Thursday 6 February 2025 at 11.00am

Simon Pitkeathley will be introduced as a Baron, and

Mary Bousted will be introduced as a Baroness.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Barran** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve recruitment of teachers.

***Baroness Suttie** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports of Russian interference in Moldovan politics.

***Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government what assistance they are providing to Syria to support a peaceful transition to inclusive and representative government.

Monday 10 February 2025 at 2.30pm

†**Julie Elliott** will be introduced as a Baroness, and

†**Michael Katz MBE** will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Viscount Chandos** to ask His Majesty's Government what they expect the National Lottery's contribution to good causes to be in the first twelve months under the new operator, compared to the last twelve months under the previous operator.

†***Lord Callanan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the government of Mauritius's attempts to reopen negotiations on the Chagos Islands.

†***Lord Carey of Clifton** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the new government of Syria's commitment to freedom of expression, religion and belief.

†***Lord Holmes of Richmond** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the publication of the AI Opportunities Action Plan on 13 January, what plans they have to introduce legislation in 2025 for regulating artificial intelligence in areas including intellectual property, automated decision-making, and data labelling.

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.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to move that this House takes note of the 75th anniversary of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Lord Grayling to move that this House takes note of the Cali summit on Conservation and Biodiversity and its outcomes.

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to move that this House takes note of the case for a new youth mobility scheme with European countries.

Lord Harries of Pentregarth to move that this House takes note of the latest report of the Global Mind Project *Work Culture and Mental Wellbeing*, published on 10 October 2024.

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.

Baroness Hoey to move that this House regrets that the draft Official Controls (Amendment) Regulations 2024, laid before the House on 19 November 2024, further distance Northern Ireland from the United Kingdom and embed it further under European Union control. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report*

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 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*)

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to improve rehabilitation activities across the prison estate. (*Home Office*)

Baroness Foster of Aghadrumsee to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to deal with the glorification of terrorism and terrorists in the UK. (*Home Office*)

Lord Grayling to ask His Majesty’s Government what is their strategy for biodiversity and conservation. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

†**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty’s Government what are the main factors that have led to decades of low levels of rape cases being prosecuted, and continue to prevent such prosecutions, and what steps are they taking to resolve this. (*Ministry of Justice*)

†**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact on creators and the creative industries of the rights reservation model proposed in their consultation paper “Copyright and Artificial Intelligence” on 17 December. (*Department of Science, Innovation and Technology*)

†**Baroness Janke** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the closure of independent pharmacies on healthcare provision, especially in rural or economically deprived areas. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

†**Baroness Pidgeon** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the environmental and economic benefits of the adoption of low-carbon vehicles and the infrastructure needed to support them. (*Department for Transport*)

†**Lord Lee of Trafford** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to encourage first-time investors in the stock market. (*Treasury*)

MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS FOR DEBATE

†**Lord Rennard** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the potential impact of reforming electoral law regarding voter participation in the democratic process. (*Cabinet Office*)

†**Lord Kirkhope of Harrogate** to ask His Majesty's Government what legislative changes they plan to make to implement the AI Opportunities Action Plan, published on 13 January. (*Department of Science, Innovation and Technology*)

†**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. (*Department for Education*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 13 January and due for answer by 27 January.

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, with reference to page 62 of the Cabinet Office's *Annual report and accounts 2023 to 2024*, published on 12 December 2024, what specific changes to the lease terms for the two buildings identified by the Government Property Agency during 2023–24 were not reflected in the International Financial Reporting Standard 16 accounting for 2022–23; and what was the financial impact of these errors on the restated accounts. HL3970

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of NHS providers failed to complete audited financial results in line with the Department of Health and Social Care's reporting timetable in the past financial year. HL3971

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, with reference to pages 239 and 240 of the *Department of Health and Social Care Annual Report and Accounts 2023–24*, published on 17 December 2024, how many cases of retrospective approval for expenditure outside delegated limits have been identified in the Consolidated NHS Provider Accounts for 2023–24; and whether the Treasury has granted retrospective approval for all these cases to date. HL3972

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government which NHS providers accounted for the largest proportion of the £7.5 billion impairment in its Public Dividend Capital investments in 2023–24 outlined on page 240 of the *Department of Health and Social Care's Annual Report and Accounts 2023–24*, published on 17 December 2024; and what were the individual values of those impairments. HL3973

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government what penalties or sanctions apply to contracting authorities that fail to publish pipeline notices under section 93 of the Procurement Act 2023. HL3974

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to align the use of chlorhexidine in healthcare and consumer products with the recommendation in the Joint Royal College of Surgeons of England and Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency Statement on use of Topical Chlorhexidine for Skin Preparation Prior to Surgery, calling for the use of licensed medicinal products over unregulated biocidal forms to prevent antimicrobial resistance and safeguard patient safety. HL3975

Lord Bird to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Child Poverty Taskforce will include statutory child poverty reduction targets in their forthcoming strategy. HL3976

Lord Bird to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve affordability of tenancies in the private rented sector. HL3977

Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Taylor of Stevenage on 7 January (HL3639 and HL3640), how many local authorities have requested an extension to the deadline on 10 January for expressions of interest about establishing combined authorities following the English Devolution White Paper, published on 16 December; and whether they have responded to such requests sympathetically. HL3978

Baroness Boycott to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Hayman of Ullock on 19 December 2024 (HL3060), what remedy the public currently has against a failure by a water company to proactively publish the operational sewage treatment and discharge datasets, the publication of which is not otherwise provided for in law. HL3979

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government who is the contracted provider for each current private sector prison; when were the contractual start dates; when are the contractual expiry dates; and where the contracted provider has changed, who was the previous contracted provider and what was the start date and end date of that provider. HL3980

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government who was the contracted provider of each prison that has either transferred back to the public sector control having been privately contracted, or closed having been privately contracted, since 2000; what were the contractual start dates; and what were the contractual expiry dates. HL3981

Baroness Deech to ask His Majesty's Government what is their definition of "Holocaust" for the purposes of the learning centre planned for Victoria Tower Gardens by the UK Holocaust Memorial Foundation; and to which genocides the learning centre will seek to make reference. HL3982

Lord Garnier to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of people serving a life sentence (1) were directed to remain in closed conditions, (2) received a recommendation for transfer to open conditions, and (3) were directed to be released at their first Parole Board hearing, in (a) 2022, and (b) 2023. HL3983

Lord Garnier to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of people serving an imprisonment for public protection sentence (1) were directed to remain in closed conditions, (2) received a recommendation for transfer to open conditions, and (3) were directed to be released at their first Parole Board hearing, in each year since 2005. HL3984

Lord Garnier to ask His Majesty's Government how many people are currently in prison serving a sentence of imprisonment for public protection who have been held for 15 years or more beyond their original tariff, broken down by the exact number of years over tariff. HL3985

Lord Garnier to ask His Majesty's Government how many additional months beyond tariff people serving an indeterminate sentence are held on average. HL3986

Lord Garnier to ask His Majesty's Government what was the average tariff length imposed for murder in (1) 2022, and (2) 2023. HL3987

Lord Garnier to ask His Majesty's Government how many people in prison were in custody on remand for longer than (1) six months, (2) one year, and (3) two years, on (a) 31 December 2022, (b) 31 December 2023, and (c) up to the current date. HL3988

Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce secondary legislation under Schedule 17 of the Environment Act 2021 to implement due diligence requirements to address illegal deforestation in UK supply chains. HL3989

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the article "Mitigating the risks of antimicrobial failure", by Dr Wendy Thompson, Callum Wood and Professor Mike Bromley, published by the National Preparedness Commission on 6 September 2024; and what consideration they have given to adding to the national risk register scenarios about specific, acute antimicrobial resistance concerns, including the emergence of resistant strains of the wheat pathogen *Zymoseptoria tritici*. HL3990

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask His Majesty's Government what work is being undertaken with the devolved administrations to maintain a central risk management process for antimicrobial resistance. HL3991

Lord Harris of Haringey to ask His Majesty's Government, with reference to the article "Mitigating the risks of antimicrobial failure", by Dr Wendy Thompson, Callum Wood and Professor Mike Bromley, published by the National Preparedness Commission on 6 September 2024, what assessment they have made of the risk of resistance to fungicides on (1) food security, and (2) human health; and what consideration they have given to adding antimicrobial resistant pathogens to the UK Plant Health Risk Register. HL3992

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask His Majesty's Government how many personal, establishment and project licences issued under the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 were revoked as a result of non-compliance incidents in each year from 2013 to 2023. HL3993

Baroness Hodgson of Abinger to ask His Majesty's Government, with reference to the *Animals in Science Regulation Unit's annual report 2023*, published on 17 December 2024, what assessment they have made of the adequacy of sanctions issued in response to non-compliance incidents that resulted in the death of, or serious harm to, animals; and what consideration they have given to the use of licence revocation as a sanction. HL3994

Lord Kempzell to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to defend UK interests in the Arctic and High North regions. HL3995

Lord Kempzell to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to mitigate any impact of placing VAT on private schools on swimming lessons run by swim schools using private schools' premises; and what plans they have to exempt swimming lessons from VAT. HL3996

Lord Kempzell to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will reverse their decision to end funding for the Latin excellence programme; and, if not, whether they will defer the cessation of funding until pupils currently in the programme have completed their qualifications. HL3997

Lord Kempzell to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will reverse their decision to end funding for the computing hubs programme run by the National Centre for Computing Education. HL3998

Lord Lexden to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of allegations that Indonesian armed forces are using chemical weapons against the people of West Papua. HL3999

Lord McColl of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the proposal to cover the ancient Roman site at Richborough with solar panels. HL4000

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to promote physical activity as a means of preventing and managing long-term health conditions. HL4001

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what data they have collected on the scale of exercise-based social prescribing. HL4002

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to ensure that healthcare professionals have the skills and confidence to prescribe physical activity as a treatment and management tool for people living with long-term conditions. HL4003

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of airspace modernisation in the UK. HL4004

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government when they will publish their response to the *Creating a UK Airspace Design Service (UKADS)* consultation, which ran from 22 October 2024 to 17 December 2024. HL4005

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government how many specialist allergy nurses there are in England; and how those numbers are distributed across each (1) NHS England region, and (2) Integrated Care System area. HL4006

Lord Rose of Monewden to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Bank of England Monthly Decision Maker Panel data for December 2024, which show that, of the businesses surveyed, 54 per cent expect to raise prices, 53 per cent expect lower employment, and 39 per cent expect to pay lower wages than they otherwise would have, following the increase in employer National Insurance contributions; and what action they plan to take as a result of that data. HL4007

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what representations, if any, they intend to make to the government of Iran concerning the execution sentence of Pakhshan Azizi. HL4008

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government what is the future of funding for the Medical Doctor Degree Apprenticeship programme in England. HL4009

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Lord Scriven to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of value for money of NHS trusts paying £6.2 million annually from revenue budgets to NHS Providers. HL4010

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure a sufficient supply of minerals vital to the (1) manufacturing, and (2) technology, industries. HL4011

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure sufficient regulations are in place to keep the use of AI in the UK ethical and responsible. HL4012

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure sufficient energy availability in the wake of increased artificial intelligence use. HL4013

Lord Watson of Invergowrie to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to mark the 25th anniversary of the lifting of the LGBT+ ban in the armed forces. HL4014

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings in the National Prostate Cancer Audit's *State of the Nation Report*, published in January, particularly regarding the disparities in health outcomes for black men diagnosed with prostate cancer. HL4015

Lord Watson of Wyre Forest to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the higher rates of advanced prostate cancer diagnoses among black men. HL4016

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government whether they can provide an update on their process of considering a reclassification of the drug ketamine. HL4017

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to educate students at schools, colleges and universities about the dangers of taking the drug ketamine. HL4018

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking through public health campaigns to warn people of the dangers of ketamine. HL4019

Lord Young of Cookham to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to work with Homes England to encourage more small and medium-sized enterprises to build affordable homes. HL4020

Lord Young of Cookham to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the case for establishing a youth homelessness dashboard; and what plans they have to improve data collection on this issue. HL4021

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.

3 December 2024 (17 December 2024)

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

12 December 2024 (30 December 2024)

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)

HL3536 Baroness Finn [Cabinet Office]

HL3537 Baroness Finn [Cabinet Office]

HL3561 Lord Swire [Home Office]

HL3562 Lord Swire [Home Office]

18 December 2024 (6 January)

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

19 December 2024 (7 January)

HL3662 Lord Gilbert of Panteg [Cabinet Office]

HL3664 Lord Gilbert of Panteg [Cabinet Office]

HL3677 Lord Kamall [Department of Health and Social Care]

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

Business and Trade (3)

Cabinet Office (4)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (1)

Health and Social Care (1)

Home Office (2)

Housing, Communities and Local Government (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] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	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] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
Palestine Statehood (Recognition) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	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	
Road Traffic Offences (Cycling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill (<i>Money Bill—19 December</i>)	Government	15 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	15 January
Committed to a Grand Committee		
National Insurance Contributions (Secondary Class 1 Contributions) Bill	Government	
Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [HL]	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	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	
Mental Health Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	14 January

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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	
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] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	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

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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

Draft Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (Amendment) (Provision of Information) Order 2025

Draft Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Scottish Adult Disability Living Allowance) (Consequential Modifications) Order 2025

Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) 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 (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

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 (20 January)*

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 (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

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 ended 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 not yet considered by a Select Committee

Comprehensive Security Integration and Prosperity Agreement *Scrutiny period expires: 12 February*

Framework Agreement for International Collaboration on Research and Development of Generation IV Nuclear Energy Systems *Scrutiny period expires: 24 February*

Treaties 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 *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.

Tuesday 14 January

Science and Technology Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 2	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 3	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 4	3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 2	4.00pm

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International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 2A	10.00am
Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 3A	10.00am
House of Lords Commission	Room 4A	10.30am
Holocaust Memorial Bill Select Committee	Room 1	11.30am
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm

Tuesday 21 January

International Agreements Committee		4.00pm
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Wednesday 22 January

Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm
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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 Monday 13 January 2025

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Guildford.

Public Business

1 Immigration: human rights A question was asked by Baroness Chakrabarti and answered by Lord Hanson of Flint.

2 Driving tests: secondary market A question was asked by Lord Young of Cookham and answered by Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill.

3 National Insurance: charity sector A question was asked by Baroness Sater and answered by Baroness Twycross.

4 Adult social care: long-term workforce plan A question was asked by Baroness Pitkeathley and answered by Baroness Merron.

5 Great British Energy Bill The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 59. The House resumed during debate on amendment 88 (see division).

The House adjourned at 10.19pm until Tuesday 14 January at 2.30pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

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

Registrar (Identity Verification and Authorised Corporate Service Providers) Regulations 2024 Lord Leong moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Registrar (Identity Verification and Authorised Corporate Service Providers) Regulations 2024. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024 Lord Leong moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024. The motion was agreed to.

Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 Baroness Gustafsson moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 Baroness Hayman of Ullock moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 Baroness Taylor of Stevenage moved that the Grand Committee do consider the draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The Committee adjourned at 5.32pm.

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. Dates in brackets indicate the non-sitting days on which those papers were laid:

- 1 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Lancashire Combined County Authority Regulations 2024, originally laid on 26 November 2024 (10 January).
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- 2 Artificial Intelligence—AI Opportunities Action Plan. (1241)
- 3 Artificial Intelligence—Government Response to the AI Opportunities Action Plan. (1242)

Affirmative Instruments

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

- 1 Draft Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Scottish Adult Disability Living Allowance) (Consequential Modifications) Order 2025
- 2 Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2025

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

The following paper was laid before the House by command of His Majesty, together with an Explanatory Memorandum:

- 1 Nuclear Energy—Framework Agreement for International Collaboration on Research and Development of Generation IV Nuclear Energy Systems (1246)

Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following paper was laid before the House:

- 1 Draft Plan of the Competition and Markets Authority for 2025–26

Division

Great British Energy Bill

Baroness Williams of Trafford moved that the committee stage be adjourned. The Committee divided:

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