

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.

†**Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL]** Baroness Jones of Whitchurch to move that the amendments for the Report stage be marshalled and considered in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 56	Schedule 10
Schedule 1	Clauses 103 to 107
Clauses 57 and 58	Schedule 11
Schedule 2	Clauses 108 to 111
Clauses 59 to 65	Schedule 12
Schedule 3	Clauses 112 and 113
Clauses 66 to 70	Schedule 13
Schedule 4	Clauses 114 and 115
Clause 71	Schedule 14
Schedule 5	Clauses 116 to 119
Clauses 72 to 80	Schedule 15
Schedule 6	Clause 120
Clauses 81 to 84	Schedule 16
Schedules 7 to 9	Clauses 121 to 138
Clauses 85 to 102	Title.

†*Lord Leong intends to move the following two motions en bloc: but if any Lord objects the motions must be moved separately.*

†**Registrar (Identity Verification and Authorised Corporate Service Providers) Regulations 2024** Lord Leong to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 22 May 2024 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 13 January*

†**Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024** Lord Leong to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 31 October 2024 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 13 January*

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Items marked † are new or have been altered

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



†**Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024** Baroness Hayman of Ullock to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 21 November 2024 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 13 January*

†**Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025** Baroness Taylor of Stevenage to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 19 November 2024 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 13 January*

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*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

†**Great British Energy Bill** Committee (day 4) [Lord Hunt of Kings Heath] *Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, 4th Report from the Constitution Committee*

Future Business

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.

†***Lord Young of Cookham** to ask His Majesty’s Government what progress they have made in moving asylum seekers from accommodation in hotels.

†**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. (*3 hours*)

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. (*2 hours*)

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 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.

†**Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024** Baroness Gustafsson to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 7 October 2024 be approved. *Considered in Grand Committee on 13 January*

†**Non-Consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences) Bill [HL]** Committee [Baroness Owen of Alderley Edge]

†**Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]** Committee [Lord Clement-Jones]

†**Mental Health Bill [HL]** Committee (day 2) [Baroness Merron] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 10th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

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 Henty 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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 15 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 17 January.*

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*

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

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

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 16 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 20 January.*

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

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.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 17 January, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 21 January.*

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

†**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government, following reports that the United Kingdom faces shortages of broccoli and cauliflower this spring, what steps they are taking to support farmers and growers to adapt to climate change. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

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

The Hon. 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.

Tuesday 11 February 2025 at 2.30pm

†**Joanne Cash**, and

†**Susan Gray CBE** will be introduced as Baronesses.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

†***Baroness Pidgeon** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in establishing the Passenger Standards Authority.

†***Lord Fuller** to ask His Majesty's Government, as part of the local government reorganisation set out in the English Devolution White Paper published in December 2024 (CP 1218), whether they plan to ensure that the principle of a broadly equivalent electoral quota per constituent will be applied to local government so that the value of every vote in each local authority area will be broadly similar throughout England.

†***Lord Sahota** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made in paying compensation to victims of the Post Office Horizon scandal.

Motions for Balloted Debate

The ballot to select two motions for debate closed 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.

†**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to move that this House takes note of the uncommenced provisions of the Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Act 2023 and of freedom of speech in the higher education sector.

†**Baroness Hoey** to move that this House takes note of the effect on the unity of the United Kingdom of the Windsor Framework.

†**Lord Moynihan of Chelsea** to move that this House takes note of the role of government institutions and arms-length bodies in managing volatility in the gilts market.

†**Lord Kempell** to move that this House takes note of the United Kingdom's relationship with the Overseas Territories, following the decision to transfer the sovereignty of the Chagos Islands.

†**Lord Hamilton of Epsom** to move that this House takes note of the impact of the UK's use of Chinese energy technology on their plans to decarbonise the grid by 2030.

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*

†**Lord Patel** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Preterm Birth Committee *Preterm birth: reducing risks and improving lives* (HL Paper 30). *14 November 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]*

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 closed 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*)

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*)

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*)

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*)

†**Lord Fuller** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, in the light of proposed reorganisation of local government, to ensure equality in the number of electors per representative across councils in England, in line with equalising constituency size in Parliamentary elections. (*Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government*)

†**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 Edmundsbury and Ipswich** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the welfare of defence personnel. (*Ministry of Defence*)

†**Lord Harlech** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current state of the United Kingdom's reserve forces and their importance to defence, and what they are doing to recruit and retain reservists. (*Ministry of Defence*)

†**Baroness Berridge** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the use of deprivation of liberty safeguards in the care of children and young people. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

†**Lord Evans of Rainow** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of NHS dementia strategy. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 14 January and due for answer by 28 January.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government how many cargo flights from Urumqi in China to Stansted Airport carrying e-commerce goods for department stores have been searched by UK border officials to ensure they are not carrying goods made by Uyghur forced labour since this route was established in December 2024. HL4022

Lord Bradley to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Merron on 13 January (HL3801), where the information sought in the question is held if not centrally. HL4023

Baroness Buscombe to ask His Majesty's Government how many contracts managed by the Cabinet Office under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 meet the financial thresholds for key performance indicator reporting set out in section 52 of the Procurement Act 2023 but are exempt from such reporting under the Act's transitional provisions; and what is the total value of those contracts. HL4024

Baroness Buscombe to ask His Majesty's Government how many government contracts with a value above £20 million excluding VAT have been re-awarded to incumbent suppliers without a competitive tendering process by central government in each of the last five years; and what is the total value of those contracts in each of those years. HL4025

Lord Colgrain to ask His Majesty's Government what is the estimated cost of the executive boards of the 13 Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Associations. HL4026

Lord Colgrain to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they are giving to reintroducing prison farms with a view to the mental wellbeing of prisoners. HL4027

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 20 December 2024 (HL3387), who are the members of the Horticulture Working Group set up in relation to the implementation of the Windsor Framework. HL4028

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 20 December 2024 (HL3387), what secretarial support is being provided to the Horticulture Working Group set up in relation to the implementation of the Windsor Framework; how many meetings have taken evidence; and whether there is any timetable for the group to reach conclusions. HL4029

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 20 December 2024 (HL3387), who are the members of the Veterinary Medicines Working Group set up in relation to the implementation of the Windsor Framework. HL4030

Lord Dodds of Duncairn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 20 December 2024 (HL3387), what secretarial support is being provided to the Veterinary Medicines Working Group set up in relation to the implementation of the Windsor Framework; whether any report or correspondence has yet been issued by the group; and whether there is any timetable for the group to reach conclusions. HL4031

Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made representations to BBC Northern Ireland after it described the Special Air Service in an article published on 11 January as "one of the British Army's most infamous regiments". HL4032

Baroness Finn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 18 December 2024 (HL3603), whether the Civil Service Board, People Board, Civil Service Operations Board, Location and Property Board, Data and Digital Board, or Senior Leadership Committee have any formal sub-committees or working groups; and if so, what is their scope and membership. HL4033

Baroness Finn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 18 December 2024 (HL3603), whether they will place in the Library of the House a copy of the products of the April 2024 review that streamlined Civil Service governance structures and forums. HL4034

Baroness Finn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 18 December 2024 (HL3603), whether the reported Wednesday Morning Colleagues group still meets, and whether it exercises any management functions in relation to the Civil Service. HL4035

Lord Foster of Bath to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hunt of Kings Heath on 7 January (HL3653), what future policies relating to reducing greenhouse gas emissions are (1) under consideration and (2) in development. HL4036

Lord Foster of Bath to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hunt of Kings Heath on 7 January (HL3653), what is the projected reduction in emissions from each of the future policies under consideration or in development; and what is the estimated total reduction in emissions as a result of these policies. HL4037

Lord Foster of Bath to ask His Majesty's Government whether it remains their target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 68 per cent on 1990 levels by 2030, as set in the United Kingdom's 2030 Nationally Determined Contribution. HL4038

Baroness Freeman of Steventon to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have formulated an evaluation plan for the Renters' Rights Bill; and if so, what are their outcome measures and evidence gaps, and how the proposed landlord database will support the evaluation plan in its design and contents. HL4039

Baroness Freeman of Steventon to ask His Majesty's Government how many evaluations are currently registered in the Evaluation Registry by each government department; and what metrics the Evaluation Task Force reports to departmental directors of analysis regarding the uptake of the Registry. HL4040

Baroness Freeman of Steventon to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of evaluations being proposed or carried out by departments that are not currently registered in the Evaluation Registry; and of those, how many are exempted from registration because of exclusions under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. HL4041

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to introduce mandatory obligations on businesses and financial institutions to respect human rights and the environment in a similar way to the EU's Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive. HL4042

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to convene a cross-department unit on business and human rights that consults with civil society and those with lived experience of business harms on a frequent basis. HL4043

Baroness Goudie to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to open a public consultation on introducing requirements on businesses and financial institutions to incentivise them to respect human rights, including those of indigenous peoples and human rights defenders. HL4044

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of funds committed to the Integrated Security Fund are dedicated to funding peacebuilding and mediation support programmes. HL4045

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of funds committed to the Integrated Security Fund have been dedicated to funding programmes and initiatives relating to (1) civil society peacebuilding and (2) women, peace, and security, since it replaced the Conflict, Stability and Security Fund in 2024. HL4046

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what resources have been dedicated by the Integrated Security Fund to initiatives aimed at addressing the root causes and drivers of conflict. HL4047

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of Official Development Assistance has been dedicated to peacebuilding and mediation support programmes in each year between 2016 and 2025. HL4048

Lord Kamall to ask His Majesty's Government, following their decision to cancel the cap on social care costs, what plans they have to raise public awareness of the availability of 'immediate needs annuity' and 'deferred needs annuity' policies offered by insurance companies to allow individuals to fund their later life social care costs. HL4049

Lord Kempsell to ask His Majesty's Government, what steps they are taking to ensure that all signs, notices and other displays of expired COVID-19 restrictions and guidance are removed from public places by the relevant authorities. HL4050

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to introduce a zero rate of VAT for church repairs and renovation. HL4051

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Centre for Social Justice report *Lonely Nation - Part 4: Loneliness and food banks*, published in December 2024, which found that over twice as many people who use food banks feel lonely most of the time compared to all adults, what steps they are taking to address loneliness and social isolation as a root cause of food bank usage. HL4052

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of data published by the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities on 3 December 2024 showing that the number of alcohol-specific deaths in England in 2023 was the highest on record; and what steps are they taking to reduce this number, particularly in the region of the North East region. HL4053

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to make apprenticeships more financially viable for young people and their families. HL4054

Baroness Penn to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to publish the next iteration of the National Behaviour Survey. HL4055

Baroness Penn to ask His Majesty's Government what plans Ofsted has to incorporate evidence on mobile phones into its Education Inspection Framework and inspector training. HL4056

Baroness Penn to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken with teacher training providers to incorporate the latest evidence on mobile phones, social media and mental health into their curricula. HL4057

Baroness Penn to ask His Majesty's Government further to the Written Answer by Baroness Jones of Whitchurch on 12 December 2024 (HL3041), what plans they have to introduce guidance for parents of babies and children under five on screen time and phone use through midwifery, health visiting or GP services. HL4058

Baroness Penn to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Merron on 18 December 2024 (HL3350), what is the status of each of the recommendations made by the Chief Medical Officers in their commentary on *Screen-based activities and children and young people's mental health and psychosocial wellbeing: a systematic map of reviews*, published on 7 February 2019. HL4059

Lord Reid of Cardowan to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that apprenticeship opportunities are accessible to under-represented groups, including those in rural areas and disadvantaged communities. HL4060

Lord Reid of Cardowan to ask His Majesty's Government how they intend to monitor and improve the quality of training provided through apprenticeship programmes to ensure they meet industry standards. HL4061

Lord Reid of Cardowan to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase funding for apprenticeship programmes, particularly for small and medium-sized enterprises that may struggle to support apprenticeship placements. HL4062

Lord Reid of Cardowan to ask His Majesty's Government what data they have available regarding the long-term employment outcomes for individuals who have completed apprenticeships compared to those who have not. HL4063

Lord Reid of Cardowan to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to facilitate collaboration between educational institutions and industries to create apprenticeship programmes that align with current job market needs. HL4064

Lord Reid of Cardowan to ask His Majesty's Government what support mechanisms are in place for employers who take on apprentices; and how they plan to incentivise more businesses to participate in apprenticeship schemes. HL4065

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential for appointing a specialist allergy nurse and dietitian in each Integrated Care System area. HL4066

Lord Shinkwin to ask His Majesty's Government what recent work has been undertaken by the Defending Democracy Taskforce to tackle transnational repression. HL4067

Lord Shinkwin to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Chancellor of the Exchequer raised the issue of transnational repression with the government of China during her recent trip to Beijing; and if so, how the government of China responded. HL4068

Lord Swire to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Ambassador of North Korea about the deployment and loss of life of their soldiers in Ukraine. HL4069

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that AI regulation does not create a digital border between (1) the UK and the EU, and (2) the UK and Northern Ireland. HL4070

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure the UK becomes the global leader in AI technologies, particularly regarding how they will encourage (1) firms to invest in the UK, and (2) talent to move to and remain in the UK. HL4071

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of anti-competition regulation on the growth of UK businesses. HL4072

Lord West of Spithead to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Coaker on 19 November 2024 (HL2338), whether the investigations referred to are now complete. HL4073

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]

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]

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)

Home Office (1)

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	21 January
Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [HL]	Government	
Great British Energy Bill (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	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	
Mental Health Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	20 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	20 January
Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]	Private Member's	20 January
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 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 13th Report*

Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025

Draft Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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Draft Gambling Levy Regulations 2025 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 13th Report*

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

Draft Space Industry (Licence Exemption for Military Activities of Allies) Regulations 2025 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

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 (*15 January*)

Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (*20 January*)

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

Draft Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024 (*15 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 (*15 January*)

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 (*15 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

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*

Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 6 February*

Companies (Accounts and Reports) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2024 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 February*

Draft Illegal Content Codes of Practice for Search Services *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 February*

Draft Illegal Content Codes of Practice for User-to-User Services *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 February*

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Restrictions on Private Sales and Supplies) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 13th Report. Praying time ends 5 February*

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (Variation of Schedule 9) (England) (No. 2) (Amendment) Order 2024 *13th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 February*

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.

Wednesday 15 January

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

Monday 20 January

National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	4.00pm
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Tuesday 21 January

Built Environment Committee		10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee		10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee		2.00pm
Environment and Climate Change Committee, Science and Technology Committee	Room 4A	3.30pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
International Agreements Committee		4.00pm

Wednesday 22 January

Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	2.15pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

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 14 January 2025

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester.

Select Committee Report

1 Secondary Legislation Scrutiny

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

Drawn to the special attention of the House:

Draft Gambling Act 2005 (Operating Licence Conditions) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 and one linked instrument

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Restrictions on Private Sales and Supplies) Order 2024

Includes information paragraphs on:

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

Draft Online Safety Act 2023 (Category 1, 2A and 2B Threshold Conditions) Regulations 2025 and two linked instruments

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

Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Companies (Accounts and Reports) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2024

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (Variation of Schedule 9) (England) (No. 2) (Amendment) Order 2024. (13th Report, HL Paper 65)

Public Business

2 Prisons: health services A question was asked by Baroness Morgan of Drefelin and answered by Baroness Merron.

3 Sub-Saharan Africa: diplomatic relationships A question was asked by Lord Bruce of Bennachie and answered by Baroness Chapman of Darlington.

4 Listed historic buildings A question was asked by the Lord Bishop of St Albans and answered by Baroness Twycross.

5 Sterling: rise in yields on 30-year gilts A question was asked by Baroness Neville-Rolfe and answered by Lord Livermore.

6 Great British Energy Bill Lord Hunt of Kings Heath moved 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. The motion was agreed to.

7 Gas storage levels Lord Hunt of Kings Heath answered questions on the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Monday 13 January.

8 Sudan: US determination of genocide Baroness Chapman of Darlington answered questions on the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Monday 13 January.

9 Mental Health Bill [HL] The bill was considered in Committee. Amendments were considered. The House resumed after amendment 6.

10 UK–China economic and financial dialogue Lord Livermore repeated a statement made in the House of Commons.

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The House adjourned. The House resumed.

11 **Mental Health Bill [HL]** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 7. Amendments 7, 10, 14 and 17 were agreed to. The House resumed after amendment 22.

The House adjourned at 9.30pm until Wednesday 15 January at 3.00pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Papers

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

Command Paper

The following paper was presented to the House by command of His Majesty:

- 1 Health—Government Response to the Report of the Preterm Birth Committee. (1244)

Negative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the House:

- 1 Statute, made by Churchill College, Cambridge on 12 September 2024, revising the existing Statutes of the College (—)

Paper not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following paper was laid before the House:

- 1 Government Response to the Report by the Office for Environmental Protection on progress in improving the natural environment in England from January 2024