



House of Commons

Wednesday 7 July 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Minister for Women and Equalities
(2) the Prime Minister**

- 2 Israel Arms Trade (Prohibition) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)**

Richard Burgon, supported by Caroline Lucas, Liz Saville Roberts and Tommy Sheppard, presented a Bill to prohibit the sale of arms to Israel and the purchase of arms from Israel; to make associated provision about an inquiry in relation to Israel into the end use of arms sold from the UK or authorised for sale by the UK Government; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 10 September, and to be printed (Bill 144).

- 3 Dogs (DNA Databases): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require dog keepers to register a dog's DNA on a database; to make provision about such databases and about the information held on them; and for connected purposes;

That Andrew Griffith, Virginia Crosbie, Siobhan Baillie, James Sunderland, Sir David Amess, Sir Roger Gale, Mr Robert Goodwill, Robert Halfon, Jane Hunt, Dr Julian Lewis, Andrew Selous and Suzanne Webb present the Bill.

Andrew Griffith accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 18 March 2022, and to be printed (Bill 145).

- 4 Opposition Day: Leader of the second largest opposition party (4th allotted day (Standing Order No. 14))**

(1) COVID-19 contracts and the public inquiry into the handling of the outbreak

Motion made and Question put, That this House believes the Government has failed to give full details of the process behind the issuing of emergency COVID-19 contracts; and therefore calls on the Government immediately to commence the COVID-19 public inquiry, announced by the Prime Minister on 12 May 2021.—(*Ian Blackford*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 46

Ayes: 263 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, Richard Thomson)

Noes: 365 (Tellers: Maggie Throup, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negatived.

(2) EU Settlement Scheme

Motion made and Question put, That this House regrets the end of Freedom of Movement following the UK's exit from the European Union; notes the enormous contribution EU nationals make to the UK economy and society, including in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic; regrets that the Government did not grant automatic right to remain to EU nationals despite assurances made during the EU referendum campaign; welcomes the fact there have been over six million successful applications to the EU Settlement Scheme; but further notes with concern that inevitably, many thousands of EU nationals have not applied; regrets that provision in relation to late applications will not prevent injustices and the loss of rights of many thousands of EU citizens; calls on the Government to recognise that the ongoing health emergency has also impacted on outreach work and the ability of EU nationals to apply, and to respond to this either by automatically granting Settled Status or by scrapping or extending the 30 June deadline; and further calls on the Government to introduce physical proof of Settled and Pre-Settled Status and to work with the Scottish Government on agreeing a transfer of immigration powers to allow the Scottish Government to create a Scottish visa or Scottish migration system.—(*Stuart C McDonald.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 47

Ayes: 54 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, Richard Thomson)

Noes: 365 (Tellers: David Rutley, Maggie Throup)

Question accordingly negatived.

5 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Business and Planning Act 2020 (Pavement Licences) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 8 June, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Bank of England Act 1998 (Macro-prudential Measures) (Amendment) Order 2021, which was laid before this House on 14 June, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

6 Public petitions

(1) A public petition from residents of Stoke and surrounding communities in Plymouth relating to a post box in Stoke Village was presented and read by Luke Pollard.

(2) A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to the Sprint route and car park was presented and read by Valerie Vaz.

7 Adjournment

Subject: Disability access at Crowborough, Eridge, Uckfield, Frant and Wadhurst stations (Ms Nusrat Ghani)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*David Duguid.*)

Adjourned at 7.29 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

8 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Laurence Robertson (Chair) reported the draft Coronavirus Act 2020 (Early Expiry) Regulations 2021.

9 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee

Rushanara Ali (Chair) reported the draft Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007 (Extension of Duration of Non-Jury Trial Provisions) Order 2021.

General Committees: Appointments

The Speaker appoints the Chair of General Committees and members of Programming Sub-Committees, and allocates Statutory Instruments to Delegated Legislation Committees.

The Committee of Selection nominates Members to serve on General Committees (and certain Members to serve on Grand Committees).

10 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft European Union and European Atomic Energy Community (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2021)

Members: Nigel Adams, Maria Caulfield, David Duguid, Mary Kelly Foy, Rebecca Harris, Darren Jones, Stephen Kinnock, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Joy Morrissey, Tom Pursglove, Ms Marie Rimmer, David Rutley, Mr Barry Sheerman, Andy Slaughter, Richard Thomson and Maggie Throup

11 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Electricity Capacity (Amendment) Regulations 2021)

Members: Richard Burgon, Maria Caulfield, Neil Coyle, David Duguid, Dame Angela Eagle, Jo Gideon, Rebecca Harris, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Tom Pursglove, David Rutley, Graham Stringer, Richard Thomson, Maggie Throup, Anne-Marie Trevelyan, Liz Twist and Dr Alan Whitehead

12 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Health Security (EU Exit) Regulations 2021)

Members: Stuart Andrew, Edward Argar, Maria Caulfield, Virginia Crosbie, Marion Fellows, Gill Furniss, Dame Diana Johnson, Mr Marcus Jones, Clive Lewis, Justin Madders, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Tom Pursglove, Lloyd Russell-Moyle, David Rutley, Mr Virendra Sharma and Maggie Throup

13 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Railway (Licensing of Railway Undertakings) (Amendment) Regulations 2021)

Members: Liam Byrne, Stella Creasy, David T C Davies, Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi, David Duguid, Mark Fletcher, Mike Freer, Rebecca Harris, Rachel Maclean, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Kate Osborne, Nicola Richards, Ms Marie Rimmer, David Rutley, Gary Sambrook, John Spellar and Richard Thomson

14 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Road Vehicle Carbon Dioxide Emission Performance Standards (Cars and Vans) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021)

Members: Debbie Abrahams, Sarah Champion, David T C Davies, Peter Dowd, David Duguid, Rebecca Harris, Sir Mark Hendrick, Kerry McCarthy, Rachel Maclean, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Tom Pursglove, Ms Marie Rimmer, David Rutley, Richard Thomson and Maggie Throup

15 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices (Coronavirus Test Device Approvals) (Amendment) Regulations 2021)

Members: Stuart Andrew, Ian Byrne, Maria Caulfield, Rosie Cooper, Virginia Crosbie, Ms Nadine Dorries, David Duguid, Gill Furniss, John McDonnell, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Alex Norris, Tom Pursglove, Christina Rees, David Rutley, Richard Thomson and Maggie Throup

16 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Fisheries Act 2020 (Scheme for Financial Assistance) (England) Regulations 2021)

Members: Mr Ben Bradshaw, David T C Davies, Mark Fletcher, Mike Freer, Mary Glendon, Andrew Gwynne, Rebecca Harris, Fay Jones, Mr Marcus Jones, Barbara Keeley, Scott Mann, James Morris, Kate Osamor, Luke Pollard, Victoria Prentis, Gary Sambrook and Valerie Vaz

17 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Motor Fuel (Composition and Content) and the Biofuel (Labelling) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2021)

Members: Kevin Brennan, Maria Caulfield, David Duguid, Yvonne Fovargue, Rebecca Harris, Meg Hillier, Tony Lloyd, Kerry McCarthy, Rachel Maclean, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Tom Pursglove, Ms Marie Rimmer, David Rutley, Richard Thomson and Maggie Throup

18 Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices (Northern Ireland Protocol) Regulations 2021)

Members: Edward Argar, Maria Caulfield, Virginia Crosbie, John Cryer, Gill Furniss, Ms Harriet Harman, Rebecca Harris, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Navendu Mishra, James Morris, Alex Norris, Tom Pursglove, David Rutley, Richard Thomson, Maggie Throup and Jon Trickett

Reports from Select Committees

19 Environmental Audit Committee

Biodiversity and ecosystems: Written evidence, to be published (HC 136) (Philip Dunne).

20 Environmental Audit Committee and Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

The work of the Interim Office for Environmental Protection: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 496) (Philip Dunne).

21 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 121-v);

(2) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 121)

(Sir William Cash).

22 Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) *Department's white paper on health and social care*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 20);
- (2) *Safety of maternity services in England*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 19) (Jeremy Hunt).

23 Home Affairs Committee

- (1) *Investigation and prosecution of rape*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 193);
- (2) *The Windrush Compensation Scheme*: Part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 204) (Yvette Cooper).

24 International Trade Committee

- (1) *UK trade negotiations*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 127);
- (2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government relating to the Committee's inquiry into UK Freeports*: Written evidence to be published (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

25 Liaison Committee

- Evidence from the Prime Minister*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 491) (Sir Bernard Jenkin).

26 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

- Brexit and the Northern Ireland Protocol*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 157) (Simon Hoare.)

27 Science and Technology Committee

- The role of hydrogen in achieving Net Zero*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 97) (Greg Clark).

28 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

- Eighth Report*, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 56-viii) (Jessica Morden).

29 Transport Committee

- Major transport infrastructure projects: appraisal and delivery*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 24) (Huw Merriman).*

*This item was revised as a correction since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings from 8 July 2021 for details confirming the correction.

30 Women and Equalities Committee

- COVID reports follow-up*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 536) (Caroline Nokes).

31 Work and Pensions Committee

- (1) *The work of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 514);
- (2) *Children in poverty: Measurements and targets*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 188);
- (3) *Correspondence with the Financial Secretary to the Treasury and the Chief Executive of HMRC relating to the use of Real Time Information in calculating Universal credit awards*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Department for Work and Pensions Main Estimate 2021-22*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Disability employment gap*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 189);
- (6) *Protecting pension savers—five years on from the pension freedoms: Pension scams*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 236)
- (Stephen Timms).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.25 am (Orders, 25 February and 16 June).

Business appointed by the Chairman of Ways and Means (Standing Order No. 10(6))

1 Future of regional airports

Resolved, That this House has considered the future of regional airports.—(Steve Double.)
The sitting was suspended between 10.46 am and 11.00 am.

2 Immigration Rules and highly skilled migrants

Resolved, That this House has considered Immigration Rules and highly skilled migrants.—(Anne McLaughlin.)
The sitting was suspended between 11.30 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Delays in the asylum system

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered delays in the asylum system.—(Navendu Mishra.)
At 4.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

4 UK casino industry

Resolved, That this House has considered the UK casino industry.—(Scott Benton.)
The sitting was suspended between 4.34 pm and 4.50 pm (Orders, 25 February and 16 June).

5 Eligibility for Government support during the COVID-19 outbreak

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered eligibility for Government support during the COVID-19 outbreak.—(*Owen Thompson*.)

The Chair announced a time limit on backbench speeches (under the authority of the Chairman of Ways and Means and Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Resolved, That this House has considered eligibility for Government support during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Sitting adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

Adjourned at 5.50 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 International Immunities and Privileges

Draft Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*Nigel Adams*)

2 Licences and Licensing

Draft Licensing Act 2003 (2020 UEFA European Championship Licensing Hours) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*Secretary Priti Patel*)

Other papers

3 Data Protection

Report and Financial Statements of the Information Commissioner for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 354) (Clerk of the House)

4 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts of the United Kingdom Debt Management Office and the Debt Management Account for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 346) (Clerk of the House)

5 Health Service Commissioner

Report by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman on Unlocking Solutions in Imaging: working together to learn from failings in the NHS (by Act), to be printed (HC 393) (Clerk of the House)

6 Industrial Training

Report and Accounts of the Engineering Construction Industry Training Board for 2020, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 341) (Gillian Keegan)

7 Local Government

Local Government Financial Statistics England (No. 31) (by Act) (Secretary Robert Jenrick)

8 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust for 2020–21 (by Act) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

(2) Report and Accounts of Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Foundation Trust for 2020–21 (by Act) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

9 Office of Communications

Report and Accounts of the Office of Communications for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 459) (Mr John Whittingdale)

10 Political Parties, Elections and Referendums

(1) Second Report in 2021 from the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission on the Appointment of an Electoral Commissioner with responsibility for Northern Ireland (by Act), to be printed (HC 522) (The Speaker)

(2) Third Report in 2021 from the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission on the Re-appointment of an Electoral Commissioner (by Act), to be printed (HC 523) (The Speaker)

11 Treaty Series No. 16 (2021)

Draft Agreement between the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland regarding the twenty-sixth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the sixteenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol, the third session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the sessions of the subsidiary bodies (by Command) (CP 454) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

Withdrawn papers

12 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust for 2020–21 (laid 22 June)

(2) Report and Accounts of Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust for 2020–21 (laid 21 June)

(3) Report and Accounts of South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust for 2020–21 (laid 23 June)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. Ending pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Orders of 22 October 2020 and of 25 March and 16 June 2021, that the following Member has given notice that they wish to end their proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the date specified below:

Member

Mr Steve Baker

From

8 July