

Thursday 2 December 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for International Trade
- 2 Business Question (Leader of the House)
- 3 Select Committee Statement (Standing Order No. 22D): Publication of the Fourth Report of the Committee on Standards, Review of the Code of Conduct: proposals for consultation, HC 270 (Chris Bryant)

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4 Ambulance Waiting Times (Local Reporting) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Daisy Cooper, supported by Ed Davey, Wendy Chamberlain, Mr Alistair Carmichael, Tim Farron, Layla Moran, Jamie Stone, Wera Hobhouse, Christine Jardine, Sarah Olney, Munira Wilson and Sarah Green, presented a Bill to require ambulance services to provide more accessible and localised reports of ambulance response times; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 10 December, and to be printed (Bill 209).

5 Backbench Business

(1) Stability and peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House notes the concerning political situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina; expresses its support for institutions set out in the Dayton Peace Agreement, and the office and work of the High Representative, Mr Christian Schmidt; and supports continued efforts by the UK Government and its allies to ensure peace and stability in Bosnia and Herzegovina and to uphold the provisions of the Dayton Peace Agreement.—(Alicia Kearns.)

The Deputy Speaker announced a time limit on backbench speeches (Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Question put and agreed to.

(2) Economic crime

Resolved, That this House recognises the devastating impact economic crime has on individuals, businesses, families and society; considers it unacceptable that the cost of money laundering alone exceeds £100 billion a year according to the National Crime

Agency; is concerned that in the wake of the Pandora Papers leak there is inadequate transparency, regulation and resources in place to effectively tackle this severe problem; and calls on the Government to bring forward legislative proposals to tackle economic crime as a matter of priority, integral to which are provisions to introduce a criminal offence for failure to prevent economic crime, reform Companies House and introduce a beneficial ownership register for the overseas owners of UK property.—(Dame Margaret Hodge.)

6 Adjournment

Subject: Deepfake and nudification image abuse (Mrs Maria Miller)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Alan Mak.)

At 5.00pm the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3))

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Alan Mak.)

Adjourned at 5.10 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

7 Asylum Seekers (Accommodation Eviction Procedures) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

8 Disability Benefit Assessments (Recording) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

9 Full Employment Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

10 Health and Safety at Work Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

11 Corporate Homicide Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

12 Workers (Rights and Definition) Bill

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Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

13 Children's Clothing (Value Added Tax) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

14 Caravan Site Licensing (Exemptions of Motor Homes) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

15 Channel 4 (Privatisation) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 10 December.

16 British Broadcasting Corporation (Privatisation) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 December, read and discharged.

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Standing Orders (Public Business)

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Ordered, That the Standing Orders relating to Public Business be printed (HC 804).

General Committees: Reports

Draft Online Safety Bill: Written evidence, to be published (HC 609) (Damian Collins).

18 Skills and Post-16 Education Bill Committee

Clive Efford (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

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).

19 Animals (Penalty Notices) Bill Committee

Chair: Derek Twigg

20 Commercial Rent (Coronavirus) Bill Committee

Members: Tonia Antoniazzi discharged and Rachel Hopkins nominated in substitution.

21 Leasehold Reform (Ground Rent) Bill [Lords] Committee

Members: Sir David Evennett discharged and Elliot Colburn nominated in substitution.

22 First Delegated Legislation Committee (Heavy Commercial Vehicles in Kent (No. 2) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2021, (SI, 2021, No. 0000))

Chair: Yvonne Fovargue

23 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Solvency 2 (Group Supervision) (Amendment) Regulations 2021)

Chair: Christina Rees

24 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Customs Safety and Security Procedures (EU Exit) (No. 2) Regulations 2021)

Chair: Philip Davies

25 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Electric Vehicles (Smart Charge Points) Regulations 2021)

Chair: James Gray

26 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Consumer Scotland Act 2020 (Consequential Provisions and Modifications) Order 2022)

Chair: Mrs Sheryll Murray

Members: David Duguid and David Mundell discharged and Dr James Davies and Andrew Jones nominated in substitution.

Reports from Select Committees

27 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 9 December in Westminster Hall and the Chamber and Tuesday 14 and Thursday 16 December in Westminster Hall (Ian Mearns).

28 Draft Online Safety Bill (Joint Committee on)

29 Foreign Affairs Committee

- (1) Government policy on Afghanistan: Written evidence, to be published (HC 685);
- (2) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport relating to the acquisition of Arm by NVIDIA: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the future of the Dayton Accord: Written evidence, to be published (Tom Tugendhat).

30 Welsh Affairs Committee

The benefits system in Wales: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 337) (Stephen Crabb).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm.

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders No. 10(7) and No. 14(4))

1 2021 Tokyo Nutrition for Growth summit

Resolved, That this House has considered the 2021 Tokyo Nutrition for Growth summit.— (David Mundell.)

The sitting was suspended between 2.39 pm and 3.00 pm.

2 Pet travel

Resolved, That this House has considered pet travel.—(Mrs Sheryll Murray.) Sitting adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

Adjourned at 3.54 pm until Monday 6 December.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Channel Tunnel

Draft Train Driving Licences and Certificates (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Education

Education (Student Fees, Awards and Support) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1348), dated 30 November 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Michelle Donelan)

3 Environmental Protection

Littering From Vehicles Outside London (Keepers: Civil Penalties) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1357), dated 1 December 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

4 Exiting the European Union (Agriculture)

Import and Export Licensing (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1358), dated 2 December 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

5 Merchant Shipping

Merchant Shipping (Radiocommunications) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1316), dated 29 November 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

6 Terms and Conditions of Employment

Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) (Transfer of Staff to the Office for Environmental Protection) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1353), dated 1 December 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

Other papers

7 Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

Plan of the Competition and Markets Authority for 2022–23: consultation (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

8 Financial Guidance and Claims

Report and Accounts of the Money and Pensions Service for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 857) (Secretary Thérèse Coffey)

9 Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000 (Audit of Non-profit-making Companies)

Report and Accounts of Phone-paid Services Authority Limited for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Statutory Instrument), to be printed (HC 844) (Julia Lopez)

10 Health and Social Care

- (1) The Blood Safety and Quality Provisional Common Framework (by Command) (CP 517) (Secretary Sajid Javid)
- (2) The Organs, Tissues and Cells (apart from embryos and gametes) Provisional Common Framework (by Command) (CP 516) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

11 National Lottery etc.

Report and Accounts of sportscotland National Lottery Distribution Fund for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 875) (Secretary Alister Jack)

12 Public Health

Explanatory Memorandum to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Wearing of Face Coverings) (England) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1340) (by Command) (Maggie Throup)

Withdrawn papers

13 Public Health

Explanatory Memorandum to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Wearing of Face Coverings) (England) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1340) (laid 29 November)