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House of Commons

Tuesday 1 March 2022

Votes and Proceedings

No. 126

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Speaker's Statement: Book of solidarity for the Parliament of Ukraine**
- 2 Questions to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care**
- 3 Statements (1) HM Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) recommendations (Rachel Maclean)**
(2) Ukraine (Secretary Priti Patel)

4 Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Secretary Priti Patel, supported by the Prime Minister, Secretary Dominic Raab, Steve Barclay, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Elizabeth Truss, Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng, Damian Hinds and Paul Scully, presented a Bill to set up a register of overseas entities and their beneficial owners and require overseas entities who own land to register in certain circumstances; to make provision about unexplained wealth orders; and to make provision about sanctions.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 262) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 262–EN).

5 Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate and limit the practice of bottom trawling in marine protected areas, and for connected purposes;

That Chris Grayling, Bob Seely, Sir Oliver Heald, Barry Gardiner, Andrew Selous, Neil Parish and Kerry McCarthy present the Bill.

Chris Grayling accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 18 March, and to be printed (Bill 263).

6 Business of the House (Today)

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 16(1) (Proceedings under an Act or on European Union documents), proceedings on the motions in the name of Secretary Elizabeth Truss relating to the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 194) and the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 195) shall be brought to a conclusion not later than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order; the Speaker shall then put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on those Motions forthwith;

such Questions, though opposed, may be put after the moment of interruption; and Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply.—(*Mark Spencer.*)

7 Sanctions

(1) *Resolved*, That the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 194), dated 28 February 2022, a copy of which was laid before this House on 28 February, be approved.—(*Michael Ellis.*)

(2) *Resolved*, That the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 195), dated 28 February 2022, a copy of which was laid before this House on 28 February, be approved.—(*Michael Ellis.*)

8 National Insurance Contributions Bill (No. 2): Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the National Insurance Contributions Bill for the purpose of supplementing the Order of 14

June 2021 (National Insurance Contributions Bill (Programme)):

Consideration of Lords Amendments

(1) Proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement.

(2) The proceedings shall be taken in the following order: Lords Amendments 2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.

Subsequent stages

(3) Any further Message from the Lords may be considered forthwith without any Question being put.

(4) The proceedings on any further Message from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement.—(*Rebecca Harris.*)

Question agreed to.

9 National Insurance Contributions Bill: Consideration of Lords Amendments

The Deputy Speaker announced that Lords Amendments 2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 engaged financial privilege.

Lords Amendment 2

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 2.—(*Lucy Frazer.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 202

Ayes: 295 (Tellers: Amanda Solloway, Alan Mak)

Noes: 198 (Tellers: Jessica Morden, Lilian Greenwood)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 2 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 4

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 4.—(*Lucy Frazer.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 203

Ayes: 298 (Tellers: Amanda Solloway, Alan Mak)

Noes: 199 (Tellers: Jessica Morden, Lilian Greenwood)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 4 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendments 1, 3, and 5 to 12 agreed to, with Commons financial privilege waived in respect of Lords Amendments 1, 3 and 5 to 12.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83H(2)), That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments 2 and 4.

That Rob Butler, Claire Coutinho, Lucy Frazer, Alan Mak, James Murray, Richard Thomson and Liz Twist be members of the Committee.

That Lucy Frazer be the Chair of the Committee.

That three be the quorum of the Committee.

That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(*Michael Tomlinson.*)

Question agreed to.

10Public Health

Resolved, That the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Self-Isolation etc.) (Revocation) (England) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 161), dated 22 February 2022, a copy of which was laid before this House on 22 February, be approved.—(*Maggie Throup.*)

11Business of the House

Ordered, That notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee in respect of the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Bill may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before it has been read a second time.—(*Michael Tomlinson.*)

12 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Cumbria (Structural Changes) Order 2022, which was laid before this House on 24 January, be approved.—
(*Michael Tomlinson.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Goods Vehicles (Licensing of Operators) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 24 January, be approved.—
(*Michael Tomlinson.*)

Question agreed to.

13 National Insurance Contributions Bill: Reasons Committee

Lucy Frazer reported that the Committee had agreed the following Reasons:

Lords Amendment 2

Because it affects a charge on the public revenue, and the Commons do not offer any

further Reason, trusting that this Reason may be deemed sufficient.

Lords Amendment 4

Because it affects a charge on the public revenue, and the Commons do not offer any further Reason, trusting that this Reason may be deemed sufficient.

The Reasons were agreed to.

14Public petitions

(1) A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to the Great British Railways headquarters was presented and read by David Morris.

(2) A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to sodium valproate was presented and read by Cat Smith.

15Adjournment

Subject: Potential merits of ending the benefit cap (David Linden)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Michael Tomlinson.*)

House adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 9(7)).

Adjourned at 7.30 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

16Third Delegated Legislation Committee

Peter Dowd (Chair) reported the draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements) Regulations 2022.

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).

**17 Third Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of
Usage Requirements) Regulations 2022)**

Members: Nicola Richards discharged and Gareth Bacon nominated in substitution.

**18 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018
(Disability Assistance and Information-
Sharing) (Consequential Provision and
Modifications) Order 2022)**

Members: Mhari Black, Dr Caroline Johnson and Robbie Moore discharged and Gareth Bacon, Marion Fellows and Cherilyn Mackrory nominated in substitution.

**19 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft European Union (Withdrawal)
Act 2018 (Repeal of EU Restrictions in**

Devolution Legislation, etc.) Regulations 2022)

Members: Sarah Atherton, Duncan Baker, Mr Steve Baker, Marco Longhi and Robin Millar discharged and Lee Anderson, Peter Gibson, Antony Higginbotham, Mr Gagan Mohindra and Sir Desmond Swayne nominated in substitution.

Reports from Select Committees

20Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) Pre-legislative scrutiny: draft Downstream Oil Resilience Bill: Government Response to the Committee's Fifth Report: Ninth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1177);

(2) Post-pandemic economic growth: State Aid and post-Brexit competition policy: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 742);

(3) Competition and Markets Authority Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) Correspondence with the Minister for Science, Research and Innovation relating to

OneWeb satellites: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Decarbonising heat in homes*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 110);

(6) *Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Energy pricing and the future of the energy market*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1130);

(8) *HM Land Registry Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(9) *Net Zero and UN climate summits*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 107);

(10) *Office of Gas and Electricity Markets Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(11) *UK Atomic Energy Authority Pension Schemes Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published

(Darren Jones).

21 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

What next for the National Lottery?: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 619) (Julian Knight).

22 Education Committee

(1) *Children's Homes:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 83);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for Higher and Further Education on Higher Education Reform and Lifelong Loan Entitlement:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Department for Education Supplementary Estimates Memorandum for 2021–22:* Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Teachers' Pension Scheme Supplementary Estimates Memorandum for 2021–22:* Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *The future of post-16 qualifications:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 902) (Robert Halfon).

23Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Import check readiness*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1077);

(2) *Animal Welfare (Sentience) Bill*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 277);

(3) *Australia FTA: Food and Agriculture*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 870);

(4) *Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Supplementary Estimate Memorandum 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Plastic waste*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 556);

(6) *Water Services Regulation Authority (OFWAT) Supplementary Estimate Memorandum 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published

(Neil Parish).

24Foreign Affairs Committee

(1) *Tech and the future of UK foreign policy*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 201);

(2) *The situation in Ukraine and the UK's response*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1089);

(3) *Government policy on Afghanistan*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 685);

(4) *Implementing the Integrated Review in Nigeria*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 202)

(Tom Tugendhat).

25Health and Social Care Committee

(1) *Workforce: resilience, training and retention in health and social care*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 893);

(2) *Correspondence with the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Primary Care and Patient Safety) on maternity services*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Department of Health and Social Care Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published

(Jeremy Hunt).

26 International Development Committee

(1) *Afghanistan: UK support for aid workers and the Afghan people: Fifth Report*, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 919);

(2) *Extreme poverty and the Sustainable Development Goals: Oral evidence*, to be published (HC 932);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean relating to the Office for Conflict, Stabilisation and Mediation (OCSM): Written evidence*, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, relating to gender equality in UK aid spending: Written evidence*, to be published;

(5) *Promoting dialogue and preventing atrocities: the UK Government approach: Written evidence*, to be published (HC 931)

(Sarah Champion).

27 International Trade Committee

UK trade negotiations: Agreement with New Zealand: Written evidence, to be published (HC 817) (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

28 Justice Committee

(1) *The work of the Ministry of Justice:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 869);

(2) *Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Minister of State for Justice:* Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Crown Prosecution Service Supplementary Estimate 2021–22:* Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Her Majesty's Procurator General and Treasury Solicitor Supplementary Estimate 2021–22:* Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Judicial Pension Scheme Supplementary Estimate 2021–22:* Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Ministry of Justice Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(8) *The work of the Law Officers*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 962);

(9) *Women in Prison*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 73)

(Sir Robert Neill).

29 Liaison Committee

Estimates Days: Sir Bernard Jenkin reported, That, following the recommendation of the Backbench Business Committee on applications considered at its meeting of 28 February, the Liaison Committee recommendation for the allocation of time for the consideration of Estimates on the third allotted day in the present session (Standing Order No. 145) is as follows:

That a day not later than 18 March be allotted for the consideration of the following Estimates for financial year 2021-22:

Department for Education, insofar as it relates the National Tutoring Programme

and Adult Education (on the application of Robert Halfon); and

Ministry of Defence (on the application of Tobias Ellwood).

30 Petitions Committee

(1) *Impact of Covid-19 on new parents: one year on: Government Response to the Committee's First Report: First Special Report*, to be printed (HC 1132);

(2) Record of the Committee's decisions relating to e-petitions, to be published;

(3) List of closed e-petitions presented to the House, to be published

(Catherine McKinnell).

31 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *The work of the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities: Oral evidence* to be published (HC 1066);

(2) *Correspondence from Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office relating to Progress in implementing recommendations*

of the second Boardman Review: Written evidence to be published;

(3) Correspondence from The Lord Dunlop relating to The Review of Intergovernmental Relations: Written evidence to be published;

(4) Correspondence from the Scottish Parliament Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee relating to the UK internal market: Written evidence to be published;

(5) The Elections Bill: Written evidence to be published (HC 597);

(6) The role and status of the Prime Minister's Office: Written evidence to be published (HC 67);

(7) The work of the Cabinet Office: Written evidence to be published (HC 41)

(Mr William Wragg).

32Standards (Committee on)

(1) Review of fairness and natural justice in the House's standards system:

(i) Sixth Report, with Appendices, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating

to the Report (HC 1183);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 1183);

(2) *All-Party Parliamentary Groups*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 717)

(Chris Bryant).

33Transport Committee

(1) *Airlines and airports: supporting recovery in the UK aviation sector*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 683);

(2) *Department for Transport Supplementary Estimates Memorandum 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Road freight supply chain*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 828)

Huw Merriman.

34Defence Committee

* This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings from Thursday 3 March 2022 for details.

(1) *US, UK and NATO*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 608);

(2) *Armed Forces Pension & Compensation Schemes Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Estimates Memorandum*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from General Electric relating to proposed sale to EDF*: Part of the written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Memorandum for the Ministry of Defence Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr Tobias Ellwood).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

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

1 Take-up of pensions guidance and advice

Resolved, That this House has considered the take-up of pensions guidance and advice.—
(*Nigel Mills.*)

2 Planning permission and calculation of housing need numbers for Wealden

Resolved, That this House has considered planning permission and calculation of housing need numbers for Wealden.—(*Ms Nusrat Ghani.*)

The sitting was suspended between 11.28 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1) (b)).

3 International Mother Language Day 2022

Resolved, That this House has considered International Mother Language Day 2022.—
(*Apsana Begum.*)

The sitting was suspended between 3.56 pm and 4.00 pm.

4 Household Support Fund

Resolved, That this House has considered the Household Support Fund.—(*Paul Maynard.*)

5 Shared Prosperity Fund and the Devolved Administrations

Resolved, That this House has considered the Shared Prosperity Fund and the Devolved Administrations.—(*Claire Hanna*.)

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

Adjourned at 5.30 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Sanctions

(1) Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 203), dated 1 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (James Cleverly)

(2) Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 205), dated 1 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (James Cleverly)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Agriculture

Direct Payments to Farmers (Allocation of Payment Entitlements from the National Reserve) (England) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 200), dated 28 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

3 Housing

(1) Houses in Multiple Occupation (Specified Educational Establishments) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 197), dated 28 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Eddie Hughes)

(2) Housing (Approval of Code of Management Practice) (Student Accommodation) (England) Order 2022 (SI,

2022, No. 198), dated 28 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Eddie Hughes)

4 Income Tax

(1) Designation of Freeport Tax Sites (East Midlands Freeport) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 184), dated 28 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

(2) Designation of Freeport Tax Sites (Liverpool City Region Freeport) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 185), dated 28 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

(3) Designation of Freeport Tax Sites (Solent Freeport) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 186), dated 28 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

5 Miscellaneous Series No. 1

Sixth Protocol, done at Paris on 15 September 2021, to the Convention of 19 January 1967, as amended by the Protocol of 6 July 1971, between the Government of

the French Republic and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on the Construction and Operation of a Very High Neutron Flux Reactor, as further amended by the Agreement of 19 July 1974 between the above-mentioned two Governments and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning that Government's Accession to the Convention, by the Protocol of 27 July 1976, the Second Protocol of 9 December 1981, the Third Protocol of 25 March 1993, the Fourth Protocol of 4 December 2002 and the Fifth Protocol of 1 July 2013 between the above-mentioned three Governments (CP 635) (by Command), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Elizabeth Truss)

6 Miscellaneous Series No. 2

Convention, done at Paris on 27 January 2021, on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation (CP 636), (by Command), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Elizabeth Truss)

7 National Health Service

Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) (Coronavirus) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 206), dated 1 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

8 Road Traffic

M271 Motorway (Junction 1 to Redbridge Roundabout) (Fixed Speed Limits) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 202), dated 28 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Other papers

9 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries

Report and Accounts of the Horserace Betting Levy Board for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1137) (Chris Philp)

10Inquiries

Investigation Report of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse on Residential Schools (by Act), to be printed (HC 1131) (Secretary Priti Patel)

11National Audit

(1) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Work and Pensions: Child Maintenance (by Act), to be printed (HC 1139) (Clerk of the House)

(2) Twenty-seventh Report of the Public Accounts Commission: Work of the Commission in 2021 (by Act), to be printed (by Act) (HC 1167) (Mr Richard Bacon)

12Statutory Instruments (Notification)

Notification to Parliament of a published draft instrument pursuant to Paragraph 14 of Schedule 8 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: Financial Services Act 2021 (Prudential Regulation of Credit Institutions and Investment Firms) (Consequential Amendments and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (by Command) (John Glen)

13 Water Industry

Security and Emergency Measures (Water and Sewerage Undertakers and Water Supply Licensees) Direction (by Act) (Secretary George Eustice)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

Variation of proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Liz Kendall has given notice that she wishes to vary her proxy vote arrangement. On 1 March only, her nominated proxy will be Chris Elmore. With effect from 2 March, her nominated proxy will again be Pat McFadden.