

Tuesday 10 May 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.25 am.

Prayers

1 Message to attend Her Majesty's Counsellors of State

Message from Her Majesty delivered by the Lady Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr Speaker, The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend Her Counsellors of State immediately, in the House of Peers.

The Speaker, with the House, went up to attend Her Majesty's Counsellors of State. When the Speaker and the House returned, the House was suspended.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2.30 pm.

2 Speaker's Statement: Duties and responsibilities of Members

3 Outlawries Bill

A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

4 Queen's Speech

The Speaker reported Her Majesty's Speech and directed that it be entered in the Journal, as follows:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

Her Majesty's Government's priority is to grow and strengthen the economy and help ease the cost of living for families. Her Majesty's Government will level up opportunity in all parts of the country and support more people into work. Her Majesty's Ministers will continue to support the police to make the streets safer, and fund the National Health Service to reduce the Covid backlogs. In these challenging times, Her Majesty's Government will play a leading role in defending democracy and freedom across the world, including continuing to support the people of Ukraine.

Her Majesty's Government will drive economic growth to improve living standards and fund sustainable investment in public services. This will be underpinned by a responsible approach to the public finances, reducing debt while reforming and cutting taxes. Her Majesty's Ministers will support the Bank of England to return inflation to its target.

A bill will be brought forward to drive local growth, empowering local leaders to regenerate their areas, and ensuring everyone can share in the United Kingdom's success. The planning system will be reformed to give residents more involvement in local development.

Her Majesty's Government will improve transport across the United Kingdom, delivering safer, cleaner services and enabling more innovations. Legislation will be introduced to modernise rail services and improve reliability for passengers.

Her Majesty's Ministers will bring forward an Energy Bill to deliver the transition to cheaper, cleaner and more secure energy. This will build on the success of the COP26 Summit in Glasgow last year. Draft legislation to promote competition, strengthen consumer rights and protect households and businesses will be published. Measures will also be published to create new competition rules for digital markets and the largest digital firms.

Her Majesty's Government will establish the UK Infrastructure Bank in legislation, with objectives to support economic growth and the delivery of net zero.

Reforms to education will help every child fulfil their potential wherever they live, raising standards and improving the quality of schools and higher education. Her Majesty's Ministers will publish draft legislation to reform the Mental Health Act.

Her Majesty's Government will continue to seize the opportunities of the United Kingdom's departure from the European Union, to support economic growth. Regulations on businesses will be repealed and reformed. A bill will enable law inherited from the European Union to be more easily amended. Public sector procurement will be simplified to provide new opportunities for small businesses.

New legislation will strengthen the United Kingdom's financial services industry, ensuring that it continues to act in the interest of all people and communities. The United Kingdom's data protection regime will be reformed.

Her Majesty's Government will continue to champion international trade, delivering jobs across the country and growing the economy. Legislation will be introduced to enable the implementation of the United Kingdom's first new Free Trade Agreements since leaving the European Union.

Her Majesty's Ministers will encourage agricultural and scientific innovation at home. Legislation will unlock the potential of new technologies to promote sustainable and efficient farming and food production.

Her Majesty's Government will protect the integrity of the United Kingdom's borders and ensure the safety of its people. Her Majesty's Ministers will take action to prevent dangerous and illegal Channel crossings and tackle the criminal gangs who profit from facilitating them. Legislation will be introduced to ensure the police have the powers to make the streets safer.

A bill will be brought forward to further strengthen powers to tackle illicit finance, reduce economic crime and help businesses grow. Measures will be introduced to support the security services and help them protect the United Kingdom.

Her Majesty's Government will lead the way in championing security around the world. It will continue to invest in Her Majesty's gallant Armed Forces. Her Majesty's Ministers will work closely with international partners to maintain a united NATO and address the most pressing global security challenges.

The continued success and integrity of the whole of the United Kingdom is of paramount importance to Her Majesty's Government, including the internal economic bonds between all of its parts. Her Majesty's Government will prioritise support for the Belfast (Good Friday) Agreement and its institutions, including through legislation to address the legacy of the past.

Her Majesty's Government will ensure the constitution is defended. Her Majesty's Ministers will restore the balance of power between the legislature and the courts by introducing a Bill of Rights. Legislation will prevent public bodies engaging in boycotts that undermine community cohesion.

Her Majesty's Government will introduce legislation to improve the regulation of social housing to strengthen the rights of tenants and ensure better quality, safer homes. Legislation will also be introduced to ban conversion therapy. Proposals will be published to establish an independent regulator of English football.

In this year of the Platinum Jubilee, Her Majesty looks forward to the celebrations taking place across the United Kingdom and throughout the Commonwealth, and to the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham this summer.

Members of the House of Commons, estimates for the public services will be laid before you.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons, other measures will be laid before vou.

Her Majesty prays that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your counsels.

5 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address)

Motion made and Question proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which was addressed to both Houses of Parliament.—(Graham Stuart.)

Ordered, That the debate be now adjourned.—(David T C Davies.)

Debate to be resumed tomorrow.

6 Adjournment

Subject: UK diagnostics industry and the global COVID-19 recovery (Neale Hanvey)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(David T C Davies.)

At 10.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(David T C Davies.)

Adjourned at 10.28 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Disqualification of Members

7 Disqualification of Members

(1) Notification, laid upon the Table by the Speaker, That the Chancellor of the Exchequer had on 3 May appointed Imran Nasir Ahmad Khan, Member for Wakefield, to be Steward and Bailiff of the Three Hundreds of Chiltern.

(2) Notification, laid upon the Table by the Speaker, That the Chancellor of the Exchequer had on 4 May appointed Neil Quentin Gordon Parish, Member for Tiverton and Honiton, to be Steward and Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead in the county of York.

Select Committees: formal minutes

8 Select Committees (publication of formal minutes)

Ordered, That, in this Session of Parliament, the formal minutes of any select committee, together with the formal minutes of any sub-committee which they may appoint, may be published from time to time.

Reports from Select Committees

9 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

Plastic waste: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 22) (Geraint Davies).

10 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

Correspondence relating to the Government's Asylum Partnership Arrangement with Rwanda: Written evidence, to be published (Ms Harriet Harman).

11 Justice Committee

- (1) Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 11);
- (2) Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State and Assistant Government Whip relating to magistrates' sentencing powers: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Fraud and the Justice System: Written evidence, to be published (HC 12);
- (4) HM Procurator General and Treasury Solicitor Main Estimate 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Serious Fraud Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) UK Supreme Court Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Written evidence, to be published
- (Sir Robert Neill).

12 Transport Committee

- (1) Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Minister of State relating to maritime regulations: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) Great British Railways: Written evidence, to be published (HC 173);
- (3) Maritime 2050: implementation, objectives and effects: Written evidence, to be published (HC 160)

(Huw Merriman).

Lindsay Hoyle
Speaker

Papers Laid

Papers presented and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates under Standing Orders No. 158 and No. 159:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

Friday 29 April

1 Civil Aviation

Aviation Security (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 497), dated 28 April 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

2 Sea Fisheries

Sea Fisheries (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 498), dated 29 April 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

Wednesday 4 May

3 Defence

- (1) Armed Forces (Service Complaints Ombudsman Investigations) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 496), dated 26 April 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Leo Docherty)
- (2) Armed Forces (Service Complaints) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 494), dated 27 April 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Leo Docherty)

Thursday 5 May

4 Family Law

Child Support (Amendments Relating to Electronic Communications and Information) (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 503), dated 3 May 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Guy Opperman)

Monday 9 May

5 Competition

Competition Act 1998 (Vertical Agreements Block Exemption) Order 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 516), dated 4 May 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

Papers laid under paragraphs 3(3) and 17(3) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018

Wednesday 4 May

6 Electronic Communications

Proposal for an instrument titled Public Regulated Service (Galileo) (Revocation)
Regulations 2022, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

Other papers

Friday 6 May

7 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport

Government response to the consultation on a new pro-competition regime for digital markets (by Command) (CP 657) (Secretary Nadine Dorries)

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Tuesday 10 May

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

8 Customs

Customs Tariff (Preferential Trade Arrangements and Tariff Quotas) (Ukraine) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 525), dated 10 May 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

9 Environmental Protection

Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (Publication of Public Spaces Protection Orders) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 511), dated 4 May 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Priti Patel)

10 Magistrates' Courts

Magistrates' Courts (Amendment) Rules 2022 (SI, 2022 No. 523), dated 9 May (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

11 Police

Special Constables (Membership of the Police Federation etc.) (England and Wales) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 505), dated 3 May 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Priti Patel)

Withdrawn papers

12 International Immunities and Privileges

Proposal for the draft State Immunity Act 1978 (Remedial) Order 2022 (by Act) (laid 20 April)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

13 New proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Justin Tomlinson is eligible to have a proxy vote cast on his behalf, starting from 11 May and finishing on 24 May. The nominated proxy is Christopher Pincher.

14 Variation of proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, further to the certificate of 19 April, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Sarah Owen has given notice that she wishes to vary her proxy voting arrangement to finish on 10 May.

CORRECTION

Monday 21 March 2022

Item 17(1) (Reports from Select Committees) should have read:

- (1) Appointment of the Chair of the Regulator of Social Housing:
 - (i) Eighth Report, with written evidence, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1207);
 - (ii) Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1207);