

Wednesday 29 June 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Scotland
 - (2) the Prime Minister
- 2 Statements: (1) Steel safeguards (Secretary Anne-Marie Trevelyan)
 - (2) Metropolitan Police Service (Kit Malthouse)
- 3 British Goods (Public Sector Purchasing Duty) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to place a duty on public bodies to have a presumption in favour of purchasing goods of British origin in purchasing decisions; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 122).

4 Consumer Pricing Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to prohibit the practice of offering preferential pricing to new customers compared to existing customers; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 123).

5 Broadcasting (Listed Sporting Events) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to expand the list of sporting events that must be made available for broadcast by free-to-air television channels; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 124).

6 Puppy Import (Prohibition) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to prohibit the import of young puppies; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 125).

7 Employment (Application Requirements) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to regulate the use of minimum qualification or experience requirements in job applications; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 126).

8 Public Sector Website Impersonation Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to create the offence of impersonating a public sector website for the purpose of collecting payment or personal data; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 127).

9 Hunting Trophies (Import Prohibition) (No. 2) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to prohibit the import of wild animal specimens from trophy hunting; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 128).

10 Armenian Genocide (Recognition) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to require Her Majesty's Government to formally recognise the Armenian genocide of 1915–16.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 129).

11 House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

John Spellar presented a Bill to amend the House of Lords Act 1999 so as to abolish the system of by-elections for hereditary peers.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 130).

12 Non-Disclosure Agreements Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Layla Moran presented a Bill to make provision about the content and use of non-disclosure agreements; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 March 2023, and to be printed (Bill 131).

13 Asylum Seekers (Permission to Work) (No. 2): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for granting permission to work to asylum seekers who have waited six months for a decision on their asylum application; and for connected purposes;

That Carol Monaghan, Stuart C McDonald, Alison Thewliss, Angus Brendan MacNeil, Kirsten Oswald, Dr Philippa Whitford, Owen Thompson, Ms Anum Qaisar, Martyn Day, Joanna Cherry, Drew Hendry and Amy Callaghan present the Bill.

Carol Monaghan accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 132).

14 Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill: Programme (No. 2)

Ordered, That the Order of 24 May 2022 (Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill: Programme) be varied as follows:

- (1) Paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Order shall be omitted.
- (2) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings on Third Reading shall be completed in two days.
- (3) Proceedings in Committee—
 - (a) shall be taken in the order shown in the first column of the following Table, and
 - (b) shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the times specified in the second column of the Table.

Proceedings

Clause 1; new Clauses relating to Part 1; new Schedules relating to Part 1; Clause 2; Schedule 1; Clauses 3 to 6; Schedule 2; Clauses 7 to 9; Schedule 3; Clauses 10 to 14; Schedule 4; Clauses 15 to 25; Schedules 5 and 6; Clauses 26 and 27; Schedule 7; Clauses 28 to 32; new Clauses relating to Part 2; new Schedules relating to Part 2

Time for conclusion of proceedings

The moment of interruption on the first day.

Clauses 33 to 38; Schedules 8 and 9; Clause 39; Schedule 10; Clauses 40 and 41; Schedule 11; new Clauses relating to Part 3; new Schedules relating to Part 3; Clauses 42 to 50; new Clauses relating to Part 4; new Schedules relating to Part 4; Clause 51; Schedule 12; Clauses 52 to 57; new Clauses relating to Part 5; new Schedules relating to Part 5; remaining proceedings on the Bill One hour before the moment of interruption on the second day.

(4) Any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings on Third Reading shall be taken on the second day and shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.—(Gareth Johnson.)

15 Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill: Committee of the whole House (first day)

The House resolved itself into a Committee (Programme Order, today).

(In the Committee)

Clause 1 (Meaning of "the Troubles" and other key expressions)

Question proposed, That Clause 1 stand part of the Bill.

At 7.00 pm, the Chair put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on Clause 1; new Clauses relating to Part 1; new Schedules relating to Part 1; Clause 2; Schedule 1; Clauses 3 to 6; Schedule 2; Clauses 7 to 9; Schedule 3; Clauses 10 to 14; Schedule 4; Clauses 15 to 25;

Schedules 5 and 6; Clauses 26 and 27; Schedule 7; Clauses 28 to 32; new Clauses relating to Part 2; and new Schedules relating to Part 2 to a conclusion (Programme Order, today).

The following Questions were put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83D).

(1) That Clause 1 stand part of the Bill (Question already proposed from the Chair).

Question agreed to.

(2) That Clause 2 stand part of the Bill, That Schedule 1 be the First Schedule to the Bill, That Clauses 3 to 6 stand part of the Bill, That Schedule 2 be the Second Schedule to the Bill, That Clauses 7 to 9 stand part of the Bill, That Schedule 3 be the Third Schedule to the Bill, That Clauses 10 to 14 stand part of the Bill, That Schedule 4 be the Fourth Schedule to the Bill, and That Clauses 15 to 17 stand part of the Bill (single Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded).

Question agreed to.

(3) That Amendment 97 be made (Question on any amendment selected by the Chair for separate decision).—(Gavin Robinson.)

The Committee divided.

Division No. 20

Ayes: 191 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Sarah Owen)

Noes: 271 (Tellers: Andrea Jenkyns, Gareth Johnson)

Question accordingly negatived.

(4) That Amendment 98 be made (Question on any amendment selected by the Chair for separate decision).—(Gavin Robinson.)

The Committee divided.

Division No. 21

Ayes: 175 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Sarah Owen)

Noes: 271 (Tellers: Andrea Jenkyns, Gareth Johnson)

Question accordingly negatived.

(5) That Amendment 115 be made (Question on any amendment selected by the Chair for separate decision).—(Peter Kyle.)

Question agreed to.

(6) That Clauses 18 (as amended) to 25 stand part of the Bill, That Schedules 5 and 6 be the Fifth and Sixth Schedules to the Bill, That Clauses 26 and 27 stand part of the Bill, That Schedule 7 be the Seventh Schedule to the Bill, and That Clauses 28 to 32 stand part of the Bill (single Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded).

The Committee divided.

Division No. 22

Ayes: 273 (Tellers: Andrea Jenkyns, Gareth Johnson)

Noes: 205 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Sarah Owen)

Question accordingly agreed to.

(7) That New Schedule 1 be added to the Bill (Question on any new schedule selected by the Chair for separate decision).—(Peter Kyle.)

Question agreed to.

The occupant of the Chair left the Chair to report progress and ask leave to sit again (Programme Order, today).

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr Marcus Jones reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Committee again tomorrow.

16 Deferred Divisions

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply to the Motion in the name of Mark Spencer relating to Estimates (Liaison Committee recommendation).—(Mr Marcus Jones.)

17 Statutory Instruments: Motion for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Contracts for Difference (Allocation) and Electricity Market Reform (General) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 11 May, be approved.—(Mr Marcus Jones.)

Question agreed to.

18 Estimates (Liaison Committee Recommendation)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 145(3)), That this House agrees with the Report of the Liaison Committee of 27 June:

- (1) That a day not later than 5 August be allotted for the consideration of the following Estimates for financial year 2022-23: Department for Work and Pensions, insofar as it relates to the spending of the Department for Work and Pensions on cost of living measures; Office of the Secretary of State for Wales, insofar as it relates to the spending of the Office of the Secretary of State for Wales on measures to support the Welsh economy, and its consequences for funding the devolved institutions; and Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, insofar as it relates to the spending of the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on action on climate change and decarbonisation; and
- (2) That a further day not later than 5 August be allotted for consideration of the following Estimates for financial year 2022-23: Department for Education; and Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, insofar as it relates to the spending of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on the strategy for international development.—(*Mr Marcus Jones.*)

Question agreed to.

19 Adjournment

Subject: Ambulance waiting times at Royal Cornwall Hospital (Cherilyn Mackrory)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Marcus Jones.)

Adjourned at 8.10 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

20 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee

James Gray (Chair) reported the draft Construction Contracts (England) Exclusion Order 2022.

21 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

Hannah Bardell (Chair) reported the draft Slavery and Human Trafficking (Definition of Victim) 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).

22 National Security Bill Committee

Members: Aaron Bell, Maria Eagle, Chris Elmore, Ben Everitt, Sally-Ann Hart, Antony Higginbotham, Mr Damian Hinds, Stewart Hosie, Mr Kevan Jones, Simon Jupp, Holly Lynch, Stuart C. McDonald, Scott Mann, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Holly Mumby-Croft, Jess Phillips and Gary Sambrook

23 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Animal Welfare (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2022)

Members: Peter Aldous, Lee Anderson, Shaun Bailey, Scott Benton, Mr Ben Bradshaw, Liam Byrne, Elliot Colburn, Miss Sarah Dines, Dave Doogan, Barry Gardiner, Mary Glindon, Paul Howell, Ruth Jones, Charlotte Nichols, Rebecca Pow, Selaine Saxby and James Sunderland

24 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Governance and Registration) (Amendment) Regulations 2022)

Members: Dr Lisa Cameron, Miriam Cates, Virginia Crosbie, Dr James Davies, Miss Sarah Dines, Mrs Flick Drummond, Adam Holloway, Dame Diana Johnson, Mr Kevan Jones, Jack Lopresti, Christian Matheson, Paul Maynard, Navendu Mishra, Guy Opperman, Matt Rodda, John Stevenson and Mohammad Yasin

Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Financial Services Act 2021 (Prudential Regulation of Credit Institutions and Investment Firms) (Consequential Amendments and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2022)

Members: Adam Afriyie, Richard Burgon, Alberto Costa, Claire Coutinho, Tracey Crouch, Mary Kelly Foy, John Glen, Peter Grant, Luke Hall, Dr Neil Hudson, John Lamont, Alan Mak, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Grahame Morris, Tulip Siddiq, Zarah Sultana and Liz Twist

26 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Plant Health etc. (Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022)

Members: Debbie Abrahams, Nickie Aiken, Sarah Atherton, Mr John Baron, Miss Sarah Dines, Mary Glindon, Darren Henry, Antony Higginbotham, Kim Johnson, Victoria Prentis, James Sunderland, Edward Timpson, Craig Tracey, Derek Twigg, Valerie Vaz, Beth Winter and Daniel Zeichner

27 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Police Act 1996 (Amendment and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2022)

Members: Bim Afolami, John Cryer, Wayne David, Rosie Duffield, Ruth Edwards, Chris Elmore, Dr Luke Evans, Mr Louie French, Jane Hunt, Alicia Kearns, Sir Greg Knight, Holly Lynch, Kit Malthouse, Tom Randall, Mr Barry Sheerman, Michael Tomlinson and Mick Whitley

28 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Slavery and Human Trafficking (Definition of Victim) Regulations 2022)

Members: Holly Mumby-Croft discharged and Derek Thomas nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

29 Education Committee

Educational poverty: how children in residential care have been let down and what to do about it: Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 57) (Robert Halfon).

30 Environmental Audit Committee

The environmental protection policies of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 478) (Philip Dunne).

31 European Scrutiny Committee

The UK's EU representation: what has changed and how is it working: Written evidence, to be published (HC 123) (Sir William Cash).

32 Home Affairs Committee

- * This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings from Thursday 30 June 2022 for details.
- (1) Spiking: Government response to the Committee's Ninth Report of Session 2021–22: Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 508);

- (2) Drugs: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 198);
- (3) Work of the Home Office: Written evidence, to be published (HC 200)

(Dame Diana Johnson).

33 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

- (1) Human Rights Ombudsperson: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 222);
- (2) Correspondence with the Deputy Prime Minister, Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice relating to the Bill of Rights: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence with the Home Secretary relating to the Istanbul Convention: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Legislative Scrutiny: Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill: Written evidence, to be published (HC 311)

(Joanna Cherry).

34 International Trade Committee

- (1) UK trade negotiations: Agreement with Australia: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 117);
- (2) Correspondence from the Chair of the Trade Remedies Authority relating to an update on selected TRA steel cases: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the UK-Ukraine Infrastructure Summit: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) UK trade negotiations: Agreement with India: Written evidence, to be published (HC 77)

(Angus Brendan MacNeil).

35 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee

Ukraine Refugee Schemes: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 464) (Mr Clive Betts).

36 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

- (1) Brexit and the Northern Ireland Protocol: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 285);
- (2) Addressing the Legacy of Northern Ireland's past: The UK Government's new proposals: Written evidence to be published (HC 284);
- (3) Correspondence from the Deputy Prime Minister, Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice: Written evidence, to be published (Simon Hoare).

37 Privileges (Committee of)

Ms Harriet Harman reported, That she had been chosen as Chair of the Committee.

38 Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) DCMS recall (broadband & gambling update): Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 27);
- (2) Regulation of energy suppliers: Written evidence, to be published (HC 41) (Dame Meg Hillier).

39 Science and Technology Committee

- (1) Blockchain: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 414);
- (2) Diversity and inclusion in STEM: Written evidence, to be published (HC 95);
- (3) The right to privacy: digital data: Written evidence, to be published (HC 97);
- (4) *UK space strategy and UK satellite infrastructure*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 100)

(Greg Clark).

40 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 4-vii) (Jessica Morden).

41 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 5-iv) (Jessica Morden).

42 Transport Committee

National Bus Strategy: one year on: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 161) (Huw Merriman).

43 Treasury Committee

Appointment of Dr Swati Dhingra to the Monetary Policy Committee

- (i) Third Report to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 460);
- (ii) Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 460)

(Mel Stride).

44 Welsh Affairs Committee

The Benefits System in Wales: Government response to the Committee's Fourth Report of Session 2021–22, and correspondence from the Welsh Government: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 402) (Stephen Crabb).

45 Work and Pensions Committee

- (1) Health assessments for benefits: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 128);
- (2) The cost of living: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 129);
- (3) Department for Work and Pensions Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Protecting pension savers five years on from the pension freedoms: Saving for later life: Written evidence, to be published (HC 126)
- (Sir Stephen Timms).

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 Anniversaries of the handover of Hong Kong and the implementation of the National Security Law

Resolved, That this House has considered the anniversaries of the handover of Hong Kong and the implementation of the National Security Law.—(Sir Iain Duncan Smith.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.47 am and 11.00 am.

2 Non-disclosure agreements and alleged cases of sexual violence, bullying and harassment in universities

Resolved, That this House has considered non-disclosure agreements and alleged cases of sexual violence, bullying and harassment in universities.—(Layla Moran.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.26 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Wendy Williams' Windrush Lessons Learned Review progress update

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered Wendy Williams' Windrush Lessons Learned Review progress update.—(Kate Osamor.)

At 4.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

4 Flooding in Irwell Vale and surrounding areas

Resolved, That this House has considered flooding in Irwell Vale and surrounding areas.— (Jake Berry.)

5 Potential merits of a UK-wide inquiry into the miners' strike of 1984–85

Resolved, That this House has considered the potential merits of a UK-wide inquiry into the miners' strike of 1984–85.—(Owen Thompson.)

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

Adjourned at 5.26 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Electricity

Draft Warm Home Discount (Scotland) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Building and Buildings

Building Safety (Leaseholder Protections) (England) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 711), dated 28 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Stuart Andrew)

3 Legal Services

Solicitors Act 1974 and Administration of Justice Act 1985 (Amendment) Order 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 701), dated 23 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

Other papers

4 Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning

Report and Accounts of the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 348) (Alex Burghart)

5 Budget Responsibility and National Audit

Report and Accounts of the National Audit Office for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 512) (Clerk of the House)

6 Climate Change

Report by the Climate Change Committee on progress in reducing emissions (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

7 Duchies of Lancaster and Cornwall (Accounts)

Integrated Report and Accounts of the Duchy of Cornwall (by Act) (Helen Whately)

8 National Audit

Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on HM Treasury and the UK Infrastructure Bank: The creation of the UK Infrastructure Bank (by Act), to be printed (HC 71) (Clerk of the House)

9 National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions

Report and Accounts of the Professional Standards Authority for Health and Social Care for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 313) (Edward Argar)

10 Reserve Forces

Report under section 56(1B) and (3) of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 on the making of a call-out order in respect of providing support and assistance to partner nations in Europe (by Act) (James Heappey)

11 Social Care

Professional Standards Authority Business Plan (by Act) (Edward Argar)

12 Sovereign Grant

Report and Accounts of the Sovereign Grant and Sovereign Grant Reserve for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 429) (Helen Whately)

Withdrawn papers

13 Road Traffic

Draft Drivers' Hours, Tachographs, International Road Haulage and Licensing of Operators (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (laid 23 June)