



House of Commons

Monday 21 November 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

2 Urgent Questions: (1) COP27 (Ms Nusrat Ghani)

(2) Sale of Newport Wafer Fab (Secretary Grant Shapps)

3 Northern Ireland (Executive Formation etc): Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Secretary Chris Heaton-Harris, supported by the Prime Minister, Oliver Dowden, Secretary Michael Gove, Secretary Alister Jack, Secretary David T C Davies and Mr Steve Baker presented a Bill to make provision to extend the period following the Northern Ireland Assembly election of 5 May 2022 during which Ministers may be appointed and after which the Secretary of State must propose a date for another election; about the exercise of functions in the absence of Northern Ireland Ministers; to confer powers on the Secretary of State to determine salaries and other benefits for Members of the Assembly in respect of periods in which the Assembly is not functioning; and to confer powers on the Secretary of State to set the regional rate in Northern Ireland.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 195) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 195–EN).

4 Ways and Means: Energy (oil and gas) profits levy

Motion made and Question proposed, That—

(a) provision may be made increasing the rate at which energy (oil and gas) profits levy is charged to 35%,

(b) provision may be made reducing the percentage in section 2(3) of the Energy (Oil and Gas) Profits Levy Act 2022 (amount of additional investment expenditure) to 29%, and

(c) (notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the practice of the House relating to the matters that may be included in Finance Bills) provision may be made for and in connection with extending the period for which the levy has effect until 31 March 2028.—(*John Glen.*)

Ordered, That the debate be now adjourned.—(*Andrew Stephenson.*)

Debate to be resumed tomorrow.

5 Changes to membership of select committees

(1) *Ordered*, That Jerome Mayhew be discharged from the Backbench Business Committee and Wendy Morton be added.—(*Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(2) *Ordered*, That Jane Hunt be added to the Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee.—(*Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(3) *Ordered*, That Laura Trott be discharged from the Health and Social Care Committee and Dr Caroline Johnson be added.—(*Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(4) *Ordered*, That Dr Dan Poulter be discharged from the International Development Committee and David Mundell be added.—(*Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(5) *Ordered*, That David Mundell be discharged from the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee and Damien Moore be added.—(*Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(6) *Ordered*, That Robert Langan be discharged from the Transport Committee and Paul Howell be added.—(*Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(7) *Ordered*, That Gareth Davies, Kevin Hollinrake and Julie Marson be discharged from the Treasury Committee and Mr John Baron, Danny Kruger, Andrea Leadsom and Anne Marie Morris be added.—(*Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

6 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the constituency of Westmorland and Lonsdale relating to the planned closure of the Ambleside and Hawkshead doctors surgeries was presented and read by Tim Farron.

7 Adjournment

Subject: Rebuilding permanent healthcare facilities in Weybridge (Dr Ben Spencer)

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

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Andrew Stephenson.*)

Adjourned at 10.08 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

8 Trade (Australia and New Zealand) (Parliamentary Approval) Bill

Order for second reading on Friday 25 November, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 17 March 2023.

*General Committees: Reports***9 First Delegated Legislation Committee**

Carolyn Harris (Chair) reported the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 16) Regulations 2022.

10 Second Delegated Legislation Committee

Yvonne Fovargue (Chair) reported the draft Armed Forces (Tri-Service Serious Crime Unit) (Consequential Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 and the draft Armed Forces (Court Martial) (Amendment) Rules 2022.

11 Third Delegated Legislation Committee

Mrs Sheryll Murray (Chair) reported the Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1101), the Energy Bills Support Scheme and Energy Price Guarantee Pass-through Requirement (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1102), the Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1103), the Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1124), and the Energy Bill Relief Scheme and Energy Price Guarantee Pass-through Requirement and Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1125).

12 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee

Stewart Hosie (Chair) reported the draft Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) (EU Exit) 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).

13 UK Infrastructure Bank Bill (Programming Sub-Committee)

Members: Andrew Griffith, Katherine Fletcher, Stephen Flynn, Paul Howell, Abena Oppong-Asare, Andrew Stephenson and Liz Twist

14 First Delegated Legislation Committee (Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 16) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1122))

Members: Mr Simon Clarke and Cherilyn Mackrory discharged and Mr Gagan Mohindra and Mr Robin Walker nominated in substitution.

15 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Armed Forces (Tri-Service Serious Crime Unit) (Consequential Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 and draft Armed Forces (Court Martial) (Amendment) Rules 2022)

Members: Simon Fell, Anna Firth and Justin Tomlinson discharged and Gareth Bacon, Siobhan Baillie and Damien Moore nominated in substitution.

- 16 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1101), Energy Bills Support Scheme and Energy Price Guarantee Pass-through Requirement (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1102), Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1103), Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1124) and Energy Bill Relief Scheme and Energy Price Guarantee Pass-through Requirement and Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1125))**

Members: Jane Stevenson discharged and Dr Kieran Mullan nominated in substitution.

- 17 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022)**

Members: Stephen Hammond and John Stevenson discharged and Andy Carter and Mark Jenkinson nominated in substitution.

- 18 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Investigatory Powers Commissioner (Oversight Functions) Regulations 2022 and draft Investigatory Powers (Covert Human Intelligence Sources and Interception: Codes of Practice) Regulations 2022)**

Members: Sir Jeremy Wright discharged and Mark Pawsey nominated in substitution.

- 19 Tenth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Air Quality (Designation of Relevant Public Authorities) (England) Regulations 2022)**

Members: Mary Glendon discharged and Christian Wakeford nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

20 Administration Committee

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 21 November, to be published (Sir Charles Walker).

21 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee

(1) *The work of the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 808);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Housing and Homelessness relating to the supported housing improvement programme*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for Housing and Planning relating to the Committee's Report on planning guidance on fracking*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Property Institute relating to building safety and remediation*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to investment zones*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Public parks: Follow-up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 327)

(Mr Clive Betts).

22 Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) *Supporting vulnerable adolescents*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 730);
- (2) *Correspondence from the UK Health Security Agency relating to the quarterly update on Managed Quarantine Service (MQS) chargebacks and hardships*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence relating to Accounting Officer assessments*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence relating to contingent liabilities*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) *Creation of the UK Infrastructure Bank*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 45);
- (7) *Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy Annual Report and Accounts 2020–21*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 59);
- (8) *Department of Health and Social Care Annual Report and Accounts 2020–21*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 253);
- (9) *Grassroots participation in sport and physical activity*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 46);
- (10) *Housing Recall*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 36);
- (11) *Introducing integrated care systems*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 47)
(Dame Meg Hillier).

23 Scottish Affairs Committee

- (1) *Firearms licensing regulations in Scotland*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 710);
- (2) *Correspondence with the First Minister of Scotland relating to an independence referendum*: Written evidence, to be published
(Pete Wishart).

24 Treasury Committee

- (1) *Autumn 2022 Fiscal Events*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 740);
- (2) *The crypto-asset industry*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 615)
(Harriett Baldwin).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Consumer Protection

Draft Conformity Assessment (Mutual Recognition Agreements) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Corporation Tax

Corporation Tax Act 2010 (Factors Determining Substantial Commercial Interdependence) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1203), dated 17 November 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Victoria Atkins)

3 Rating and Valuation

Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1198), dated 17 November 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lee Rowley)

4 Social Security

Tax Credits Act 2002 (Additional Payments Modification and Disapplication) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1208), dated 18 November 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Victoria Atkins)

Other papers

5 Companies

(1) Report by the Financial Reporting Council on its oversight responsibilities during 2021–22 (by Act) (Kevin Hollinrake)

(2) Report of the Independent Supervisor on Auditors General (by Act), to be printed (HC 776) (Kevin Hollinrake)

6 Energy

Office for Nuclear Regulation: Report to Parliament on the exercise of powers under Part 3 of the Energy Act 2013 by the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions (by Act) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

7 Financial Services and Markets

Report and Accounts of the Financial Ombudsman Service for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 889) (Andrew Griffith)

8 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts of the Government Actuary's Department for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 775) (Victoria Atkins)

9 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on HM Revenue and Customs: Investigation into the Digital Services Tax (by Act), to be printed (HC 905) (Clerk of the House)