

Tuesday 6 June 2023

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care
- 2 Pets (Theft and Importation) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Tim Farron, supported by Richard Foord, Ed Davey, Wendy Chamberlain, Sarah Olney, Munira Wilson, Christine Jardine and Wera Hobhouse, presented a Bill to prevent and punish the theft of dogs and to deter the unlawful importation of certain animals into Great Britain; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 November, and to be printed (Bill 317).

3 Care Supporters: Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for a right for a user of health and care services to be accompanied by a care supporter; and for connected purposes;

That Dan Carden, Tracey Crouch, Daisy Cooper, Liz Saville Roberts, Marsha De Cordova, Caroline Lucas, Alicia Kearns, Hilary Benn, Maria Eagle, John Nicolson, Dame Caroline Dinenage and Steve Brine present the Bill.

Dan Carden accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 November, and to be printed (Bill 318).

4 Committee on Standards

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 149(14)), That this House—

- (1) approves the Ninth Report of the Committee on Standards, HC 1276;
- (2) endorses the recommendation in paragraph 40; and

(3) accordingly suspends Margaret Ferrier from the service of the House for a period of 30 days, beginning on Wednesday 7 June 2023.—(*Fay Jones.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 245

Ayes: 185 (Tellers: Julie Marsden, Steve Double)

Noes: 40 (Tellers: Sammy Wilson, Jim Shannon)

Question accordingly agreed to.

Resolved, That this House;—

- (1) approves the Ninth Report of the Committee on Standards, HC 1276;
- (2) endorses the recommendation in paragraph 40; and
- (3) accordingly suspends Margaret Ferrier from the service of the House for a period of 30 days, beginning on Wednesday 7 June 2023.

5 British Nationality (Regularisation of Past Practice) Bill: Allocation of Time

Ordered, That the following provisions shall apply to the proceedings on the British Nationality (Regularisation of Past Practice) Bill:

Timetable

- (1) (a) Proceedings on Second Reading and in Committee of the whole House, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings on Third Reading shall be taken at today's sitting in accordance with this Order.
- (b) Proceedings on Second Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion for this Order.
- (c) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion five hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion for this Order.

Timing of proceedings and Questions to be put

- (2) When the Bill has been read a second time:
- (a) it shall, despite Standing Order No.63 (Committal of bills not subject to a programme order), stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without any

Question being put;

- (b) the Speaker shall leave the chair whether or not notice of an Instruction has been given.
- (3) (a) On the conclusion of proceedings in Committee of the whole House, the Chair shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.
- (b) If the Bill is reported with amendments, the House shall proceed to consider the Bill as amended without any Question being put.
- (4) For the purpose of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph (1), the Chair or Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions

- in the same order as they would fall to be put if this Order did not apply:
- (a) any Question already proposed from the chair;
- (b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed;
- (c) the Question on any amendment moved or Motion made by a Minister of the Crown;
- (d) the Question on any amendment, new Clause or new Schedule selected by the Chair or Speaker for separate decision;
- (e) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded; and shall not put any other Questions, other than the Question on any motion described in paragraph (15)(a) of this Order.
- (5) On a Motion so made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chair or Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.
- (6) If two or more Questions would fall to be put under paragraph (4)(c) on successive amendments moved or Motions made by a Minister of the Crown, the Chair or Speaker

shall instead put a single Question in relation to those amendments or Motions.

(7) If two or more Questions would fall to be put under paragraph (4)(e) in relation to successive provisions of the Bill, the Chair shall instead put a single Question in relation to those provisions, except that the Question shall be put separately on any Clause of or Schedule to the Bill which a Minister of the Crown has signified an intention to leave out.

Consideration of Lords Amendments

- (8) (a) Any Lords Amendments to the Bill may be considered forthwith without any Question being put; and any proceedings interrupted for that purpose shall be suspended accordingly.
- (b) Proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement; and any proceedings suspended under subparagraph (a) shall thereupon be resumed.
- (9) Paragraphs (2) to (7) of Standing Order No. 83F (Programme orders: conclusion of proceedings on consideration of Lords

amendments) apply for the purposes of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph (8) of this Order.

Subsequent stages

- (10) (a) Any further Message from the Lords on the Bill may be considered forthwith without any Question being put; and any proceedings interrupted for that purpose shall be suspended accordingly.
- (b) 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; and any proceedings suspended under subparagraph (a) shall thereupon be resumed.
- (11) Paragraphs (2) to (5) of Standing Order No. 83G (Programme orders: conclusion of proceedings on further messages from the Lords) apply for the purposes of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph (10) of this Order.

Reasons Committee

(12) Paragraphs (2) to (6) of Standing Order No. 83H (Programme orders:

reasons committee) apply in relation to any committee to be appointed to draw up reasons after proceedings have been brought to a conclusion in accordance with this Order.

Miscellaneous

- (13) Standing Order No. 15(1) (Exempted business) shall apply to proceedings on the Bill.
- (14) Standing Order No. 82 (Business Committee) shall not apply in relation to any proceedings to which this Order applies.
- (15) (a) No Motion shall be made, except by a Minister of the Crown, to alter the order in which any proceedings on the Bill are taken, to recommit the Bill or to vary or supplement the provisions of this
- (b) No notice shall be required of such a Motion.
- (c) Such a Motion may be considered forthwith without any Question being put; and any proceedings interrupted for that purpose shall be suspended accordingly.
- (d) The Question on such a Motion shall be put forthwith; and any proceedings

- suspended under sub-paragraph (c) shall thereupon be resumed.
- (e) Standing Order No. 15(1) (Exempted business) shall apply to proceedings on such a Motion.
- (16) (a) No dilatory Motion shall be made in relation to proceedings to which this Order applies except by a Minister of the Crown.
- (b) The Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.
- (17) (a) The start of any debate under Standing Order No. 24 (Emergency debates) to be held on a day on which the Bill has been set down to be taken as an Order of the Day shall be postponed until the conclusion of any proceedings on that day to which this Order applies.
- (b) Standing Order No. 15(1) (Exempted business) shall apply to proceedings in respect of such a debate.

- (18) Proceedings to which this Order applies shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.
- (19) (a) Any private business which has been set down for consideration at a time falling after the commencement of proceedings on this Order or on the Bill on a day on which the Bill has been set down to be taken as an Order of the Day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing Orders or by any Order of the House, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day.
- (b) Standing Order No. 15(1) (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business so far as necessary for the purpose of securing that the business may be considered for a period of three hours.— (Fay Jones.)
- 6 British Nationality (Regularisation of Past Practice) Bill: Second Reading

Bill read a second time.

7 British Nationality (Regularisation of Past Practice) Bill: Committee of the whole House

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

(In the Committee)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 agreed to.

The occupant of the Chair left the Chair to report the Bill (Order, today)..

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Steve Double reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made no amendment.

8 British Nationality (Regularisation of Past Practice) Bill: Third Reading

Bill read the third time and passed.

9 Delegated Legislation (Diocesan Stipends Funds (Amendment) Measure)

Ordered, That the Measure passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, entitled Diocesan Stipends Funds (Amendment) Measure (HC 1413), a copy of which was laid before this House on 24 May, be referred to a Delegated Legislation Committee.—(Steve Double.)

10Business of the House

Ordered, That notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee in respect of the Electronic Trade Documents Bill [Lords] may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before it has been read a second time.—(Steve Double.)

11Changes to membership of select committees

Ordered, That James Cartlidge be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Gareth Davies be added.—(Mr Marcus Jones, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

12Adjournment

Subject: Department for Work and Pensions and the Safeguarding Adults Board inquiry into the death of Errol Graham (Debbie Abrahams)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.— (Steve Double.)

Adjourned at 2.20 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

13Energy Bill [Lords] Committee

James Gray (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

14First Delegated Legislation Committee

Sir Robert Syms (Chair) reported the Draft Animal By-Products, Pet Passport and Animal Health (Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023.

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).

15First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Animal By-Products, Pet Passport and Animal Health (Fees) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)

Members: Elliot Colburn discharged and Maggie Throup nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

16Backbench Business Committee

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 6 June to be published (Ian Mearns).

17 Business and Trade Committee

- (1) Royal Mail: Responses to the Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee's Seventh Report of Session 2022–23: Seventh Special Report, to be published (HC 1391);
- (2) Correspondence from Companies
 House relating to the Economic Crime
 and Corporate Transparency Bill: Written
 evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for International Trade: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State relating to a non-financial reporting review for companies: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero relating to fuel pricing and the Competition and Markets Authority: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) Correspondence from the Trade Remedies Authority relating to a review into imports of e-bikes: Written evidence, to be published;

- (7) Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to the Mineworkers' Pension Scheme: Written evidence, to be published;
- (8) The work of the Competition and Markets Authority: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1369)

(Darren Jones).

18Culture, Media and Sport Committee

- (1) Pre-legislative scrutiny of the draft Media Bill: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1287);
- (2) The work of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 158)

(Dame Caroline Dinenage).

19Defence Committee

- (1) Armed forces readiness: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1317);
- (2) Defence and climate change: Written evidence, to be published (HC 179);
- (3) *UK Defence and the Indo-Pacific*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 183);

(4) Work of the Minister for the Armed Forces: Written evidence, to be published (HC 717)

(Mr Tobias Ellwood).

20Education Committee

- (1) Persistent absence and support for disadvantaged pupils: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 970);
- (2) Correspondence from the Minister of State for Skills, Apprenticeships and Higher Education, regarding Office for Students Registration Fee Regulations: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Support for childcare and the early years: Written evidence, to be published (HC 969) (Mr Robin Walker).

21European Scrutiny Committee

Regulating after Brexit: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 125) (Sir William Cash).

22Finance Committee

Record of the Committee's decisions taken at its meeting on 6 June, to be published (Mrs Sharon Hodgson).

23Foreign Affairs Committee

- (1) *Narco-diplomacy*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1422);
- (2) Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to Presidential and Parliamentary elections in Sierra Leone: Written evidence, to be published

(Alicia Kearns).

24Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) Assisted dyinglassisted suicide: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 711);
- (2) Correspondence with the Minister of State for Social Care relating to follow-up to the Adult Social Care evidence session: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence with the Minister of State for Social Care relating to the ICS response date: Written evidence, to be published;

- (4) Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to mpox: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to patient choice: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) Department of Health and Social Care Main Estimate Memorandum 2023–24: Written evidence, to be published;
- (7) *Industrial action in the NHS*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1341);
- (8) Prevention in health and social care:Written evidence, to be published (HC 965)(Steve Brine).

25Home Affairs Committee

Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill: Oral and written evidence to be published (HC 1359) (Dame Diana Johnson).

26Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

Legislative Scrutiny: Illegal Migration Bill (HC 1241)

(i) Twelfth Report to be printed, with the

formal minutes relating to the Report;

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (Joanna Cherry).

27International Development Committee

- (1) Investment for development: The UK's strategy towards Development Finance Institutions: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 884);
- (2) Correspondence with the Minister for Development and Africa relating to FCDO ODA Programme Allocations 2022–23 and 2023–24: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Development and Africa relating to Global Health Framework 2023–25: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence with the Minister for Development and Africa relating to UK aid funding to anti-LGBT+ organisations: Written evidence, to be published

(Sarah Champion).

28Justice Committee

- (1) Work of the Master of the Rolls: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1387);
- (2) Correspondence from the Minister for Prisons and Probation relating to the opening of HMP Fosse Way: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Victims and Prisoners Bill*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1340) (Sir Bob Neill).

29Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

- (1) Work of the Information Commissioner: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1214);
- (2) Correspondence from the Minister for the Cabinet Office and HM Paymaster General relating to the compulsory liquidations of Virtual Infrastructure Group Ltd and its subsidiary, UKCloud Ltd: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence with the Deputy Prime Minister and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster relating to recruitment campaigns for the Chair of the House of Lords

Appointments Commission and Chair of the Committee on Standards in Public Life: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr William Wragg).

30Transport Committee

- (1) Fuelling the future: motive power and connectivity: Government Response to the Committee's Third Report: Fourth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1382);
- (2) Maritime 2050: Government Response to the Committee's Fifth Report: Fifth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1420);
- (3) Implementation of the National Bus Strategy: Government Response to the Committee's Fourth Report: Sixth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1431);
- (4) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Transport relating to East West Rail route update: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) HS2: progress update: Written evidence, to be published (HC 641);
- (6) Strategic road investment: Written evidence, to be published (HC 904)

Iain Stewart

31Treasury Committee

- (1) An equal recovery: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 138);
- (2) Correspondence from the Treasury Lords Minister relating to the Office for Financial Sanctions Implementation: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence relating to the interest rates on instant access savings accounts: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) The work of the Payment Systems Regulator: Written evidence, to be published (HC 144)

(Dame Angela Eagle).

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

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

1 Support for Afghan women and girls

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of support for Afghan women and girls.—(Wendy Chamberlain.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.56 am and 11.00 am.

2 Isle of Wight island designation status and landscape protection

Resolved, That this House has considered Isle of Wight island designation status and landscape protection.—(Bob Seely.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.29 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1) (b)).

3 Improving children's access to books

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the matter of improving children's access to books.— (Alexander Stafford.)

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

4 Immigration rules affecting offshore workers

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of immigration rules affecting offshore workers.—(Kenny MacAskill.)

5 Government policy on reaching Net Zero by 2050

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered Government policy on reaching Net Zero by 2050.— (Kwasi Kwarteng.)

The Chair announced a time limit on backbench speeches (under the authority of the Chairman of Ways and Means and Standing Order No. 47(1)).

At 5.30 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

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 Agriculture

Draft Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Thérèse Coffey)

2 Education

Relationships and Sexuality Education (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 602), dated 5 June 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Chris Heaton-Harris)

3 Exiting the European Union (Northern Ireland)

Draft Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for Use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017 (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

4 Immigration

Draft Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Order 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

5 International Development

Draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Limit on Government Assistance) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Mr Andrew Mitchell)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

6 Financial Services

Central Counterparties (Equivalence) (India) (Reserve Bank of India) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 599), dated 5 June 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Andrew Griffith)

7 National Health Service

Care Quality Commission (Fees) (Reviews and Performance Assessments: Integrated Care System) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 603), dated 5 June 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Helen Whately)

MEMORANDUM

PANEL OF CHAIRS

In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 4 (Panel of Chairs), the Speaker has discharged Geraint Davies from the Panel of Chairs, effective from 6 June 2023.

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

VOTING BY PROXY

1 New proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Mr Peter Bone is eligible to have a proxy vote cast on his behalf, starting from 7 June and finishing on 30 June 2023. The nominated proxy is Mr Marcus Jones.