

# Thursday 6 July 2023

# **Votes and Proceedings**

The House met at 9.30 am.

**Prayers** 

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
  - (2) the Attorney General
- 2 Urgent Questions: (1) Rail ticket offices (Huw Merriman)
  - (2) Hong Kong pro-democracy activists (Anne-Marie Trevelyan)
- 3 Business Question (Leader of the House)
- 4 Supply and Appropriation (Main Estimates) (No. 2) Bill: Second and Third Reading (Standing Order No. 56)

Motion made and Question put forthwith, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question agreed to and Bill accordingly read a second time.

Motion made and Question put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Question agreed to and Bill accordingly read the third time and passed.

#### 5 Building safety and social housing

Resolved, That this House has considered building safety and social housing.—(Secretary Michael Gove.)

6 Statement: Iran (Secretary James Cleverly)

#### 7 Backbench Business

Role and status of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

Resolved, That this House supports the work of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association; asks for parliamentary time at the earliest opportunity to change the status of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association from a UK charity to an international inter-parliamentary organisation; and calls on the Government to effect that change.— (Dame Maria Miller.)

### 8 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the constituency of Rother Valley relating to Laughton Common footpath and speed reduction scheme was presented and read by Alexander Stafford.

# 9 Adjournment

Subject: Guidelines on the use of physician associates (Barbara Keeley)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Scott Mann.)

Adjourned at 4.43 pm until Monday 10 July.

# Other Proceedings

# Lords Messages

# 10 Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill

The Lords agree to the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill, with Amendments to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

## **Printing of Lords Amendments**

## 11 Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill

Lords Amendments to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 345) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 345–EN).

General Committees: Reports

#### 12 Victims and Prisoners Bill

Stewart Hosie (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

### 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 First Delegated Legislation Committee (Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 665))

Members: Dame Amanda Milling discharged and Wendy Morton nominated in substitution.

# 14 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 704))

Members: Miriam Cates discharged and Theo Clarke nominated in substitution.

# 15 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Tobacco and Related Products (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023)

Members: Ian Byrne discharged and Debbie Abrahams nominated in substitution.

# 16 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for Use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017 (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023)

Members: Theo Clarke and Clive Lewis discharged and Jon Cruddas and Alexander Stafford nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

#### 17 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 13 July and Thursday 20 July in the Chamber and Thursday 13 July and Tuesday 18 July in Westminster Hall (Ian Mearns).

# 18 Public Accounts (Committee of)

Revising health assessments for disability benefits: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1337) (Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

#### 19 Standards (Committee on)

Christopher Pincher: Twelfth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1653) (Sir Chris Bryant).

Lindsay Hoyle
Speaker

# Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm.

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders No. 10(7) and No. 14(4))

#### 1 Select Committee Statement (Standing Order No. 22D)

Publication of the Government Response to the Sixth Report of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Stolen years: combatting state hostage diplomacy, HC 1596 (Alicia Kearns)

# 2 Bishops in the House of Lords

Resolved, That this House has considered bishops in the House of Lords.—(Tommy Sheppard.)

# 3 NATO Parliamentary Assembly and NATO Summit 2023 in Vilnius

Resolved, That this House has considered the NATO Parliamentary Assembly and NATO Summit 2023 in Vilnius.—(Alec Shelbrooke.)

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

Adjourned at 4.29 pm until Monday 10 July.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

# Papers Laid

# Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

#### 1 Council Tax

Draft Mayoral and Police and Crime Commissioner Elections, Recall Petitions and Referendums (Ballot Secrecy, Candidates and Undue Influence) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Dehenna Davison)

### 2 Local Government

Draft Representation of the People (Franchise Amendment and Eligibility Review)
Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Dehenna Davison)

#### 3 Police

Draft Representation of the People (Postal and Proxy Voting etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Dehenna Davison)

## Papers subject to Negative Resolution

#### 4 Consumer Protection

Cosmetic Products (Restriction of Chemical Substances) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 764), dated 6 July 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Kevin Hollinrake)

#### 5 Family Law

Divorce, Dissolution and Separation Act 2020 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 759), dated 4 July 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Alex Chalk)

#### 6 Miscellaneous No. 7 (2023)

Convention on Social Security Coordination between the Government of Iceland, the Government of the Principality of Liechtenstein, the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (CP 889) (by Command), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary James Cleverly)

### 7 Road Traffic

Drivers' Hours and Tachographs (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 739), dated 5 July 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Mark Harper)

# 8 Sports Grounds and Sporting Events

Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) (Amendment) (England) (No. 3) Order 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 755), dated 4 July 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Stuart Andrew)

# Other papers

# 9 Bank of England

Report and Accounts of the Bank of England Asset Purchase Facility Fund Limited for the year ended 28 February 2023, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1555) (John Glen)

#### 10 Care

Report and Accounts of the Health Research Authority for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1692) (Will Quince)

#### 11 Constitutional Reform

Report of Judicial Appointments and Conduct Ombudsman (by Act) (Secretary Alex Chalk)

### 12 Customs

Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Postal Packets (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023 (laid 29 June) (by Command) (Victoria Atkins)

#### 13 Education

Department for Education Departmental Minute, dated 6 July 2023, concerning a contingent liability Ada Departmental Minute (by Command) (Robert Halfon)

#### 14 Financial Services and Markets

- (1) Memorandum of Understanding between the Financial Conduct Authority and the Bank of England (including the Prudential Regulation Authority) (by Act) (Andrew Griffith)
- (2) Report of the Prudential Regulation Authority for the year ended 28 February 2023 (by Act) (Andrew Griffith)

# 15 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts of the Department for Work and Pensions for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1455) (Victoria Atkins)

#### 16 Government Trading Funds

Report and Accounts of FCDO Services for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1537) (David Rutley)

#### 17 Health and Care

Improving multi-agency information sharing (by Act) (Claire Coutinho)

#### 18 HM Treasury

Report and Accounts of the Bank of England for the year ended 28 February 2023 (by Command) (John Glen)

#### 19 National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions

(1) Professional Standards Authority Business Plan (by Act) (Will Quince)

(2) Report and Accounts of the Professional Standards Authority for Health and Social Care for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1499) (Will Quince)

#### 20 National Loans

Accounts relating to issues from the National Loans Fund for 2015–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1699) (Clerk of the House)

# 21 Treasury Solicitor

Accounts of the Crown's Nominee for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1281) (Andrew Griffith)

# Withdrawn papers

#### 22 Customs

Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Postal Packets (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023 (laid 29 June)

#### SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

# **MONEY BILL**

Supply and Appropriation (Main Estimates) (No. 2) Bill

The Speaker has certified that the Supply and Appropriation (Main Estimates) (No. 2) Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.