



House of Commons

Wednesday 12 July 2023

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Minister for Women and Equalities
(2) the Prime Minister**

- 2 Primary care services (report): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require the Secretary of State to appoint an independent reviewer to prepare a quarterly report containing an assessment of primary care services; to require the Secretary of State to lay before Parliament each report prepared by the independent reviewer; to require such reports to include the independent reviewer's assessment of any measures taken to improve general practice services, dental services, community pharmacy services, optometry services, and mental health services; and for connected purposes;

That Daisy Cooper, Wera Hobhouse, Tim Farron, Richard Foord and Munira Wilson present the Bill.

Daisy Cooper accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 November, and to be printed (Bill 352).

- 3 Opposition Day: Leader of the Opposition (20th allotted day (Standing Order No. 14))**
(1) Supporting the automotive industry

Resolved, That this House recognises that the automotive industry is the jewel in the crown of British manufacturing and believes it can have a bright future creating good jobs for people across the UK; regrets that after 13 years of Conservative neglect the UK risks losing this world-class industry, putting thousands of jobs under threat; condemns the Government for its lack of an industrial strategy and the negative impact this has had on investment in the UK's automotive sector; calls on the Government to urgently resolve the rules of origin changes which are due to take effect in 2024, working with partners across Europe to negotiate a deal that works for manufacturers; and further calls on the Government to adopt an active industrial strategy to build the battery factory capacity needed to secure the automotive sector for decades to come.—(Jonathan Reynolds.)

- 4 Deferred Divisions**

The Deputy Speaker announced the results of the Division which had been deferred to this day (Standing Order No. 41A).

Adjournment (Summer, Conference and Christmas Recess)

That this House, at its rising on Thursday 20 July 2023, do adjourn until Monday 4 September 2023; at its rising on Tuesday 19 September 2023, do adjourn until Monday 16 October 2023; and, at its rising on Tuesday 19 December 2023, do adjourn until Monday 8 January 2024.

Division No. 297

Ayes: 395

Noes: 5

Question accordingly agreed to.

5 Opposition Day: Leader of the Opposition (20th allotted day (Standing Order No. 14)) (resumed)

(2) Children and vaping

Resolved, That this House is concerned that children are being inappropriately exposed to e-cigarette promotions and that under-age vaping has increased by 50% in just the last three years; condemns the Government for its failure to act to protect children by voting against the addition of measures to prohibit branding which is appealing to children on e-cigarette packaging during the passage of the Health and Care Act 2022 and for failing to bring forward the tobacco control plan that it promised by the end of 2021; and therefore calls on the Government to ban vapes from being branded and advertised to appeal to children and to work with local councils and the NHS to help ensure that e-cigarettes are being used as an aid to stop smoking, rather than as a new form of smoking.—(*Andrew Gwynne.*)

6 Statutory Instruments: Motion for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Tobacco and Related Products (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 12 June, be approved.—(*Fay Jones.*)

Question agreed to.

7 European Statutory Instruments Committee (Temporary Standing Order)

Ordered, That the European Statutory Instruments Committee Order of 3 February 2020 (as amended on 17 March 2021) be amended as follows:

(1) In paragraph (1)(a), delete "3(3)(b) or"

(2) Leave out paragraph (1)(b) and insert:

"(b) any of the following documents laid before the House of Commons in accordance with paragraph 6(3)(b) of Schedule 5 to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023—

(i) a draft of an instrument; and

(ii) a memorandum setting out both a statement made by a Minister of the Crown to the effect that in the Minister's opinion the instrument should be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament (the negative procedure) and the reasons for that opinion, and"

(3) Leave out paragraph (2)(b) and insert:

"(b) contains any provision of the type specified in paragraph 5(2) of Schedule 5 to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 in relation to which the Act requires that a draft of the instrument must be laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament (the affirmative procedure);"

(4) Leave out paragraphs (16)(a) and 16(c) and insert:

"() in so far as it relates to documents laid in accordance with paragraph 6(3)(b) of Schedule 5 to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (and matters arising from the consideration of such documents), at the end of the period after which no more regulations may be made under Sections 11, 12, or 14 of that Act;".—*(Fay Jones.)*

8 Presentation of documents under paragraph 17(3)(b) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 or paragraph 6(3)(b) of Schedule 5 to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023

Ordered, That where, under paragraph 17(3)(b) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 or paragraph 6(3)(b) of Schedule 5 to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023, any document is to be laid before this House, the delivery of a copy of the document to the Votes and Proceedings Office on any day during the existence of a Parliament shall be deemed to be for all purposes the laying of it before the House; and the proviso to Standing Order No. 159 (Presentation of statutory instruments) shall not apply to any document laid in accordance with this Order.—*(Fay Jones.)*

9 Adjournment

Subject: 50th anniversary of the Summerland fire (Justin Madders)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—*(Fay Jones.)*

Adjourned at 7.27 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

10 Children's Clothing (Value Added Tax) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

11 Caravan Site Licensing (Exemptions of Motor Homes) Bill

Order for resuming on Friday 14 July the adjourned debate on the Question proposed on 3 February, That the Bill be now read a second time, read and discharged.

Debate to be resumed on Friday 15 September.

12 Rule of Law (Enforcement by Public Authorities) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

13 Public Sector Exit Payments (Limitation) Bill

Order for resuming on Friday 14 July the adjourned debate on the Question proposed on 3 March, That the Bill be now read a second time, read and discharged.

Debate to be resumed on Friday 15 September.

14 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Payments Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

15 BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Bill

Order for resuming on Friday 14 July the adjourned debate on the Question proposed on 21 October 2022, That the Bill be now read a second time, read and discharged.

Debate to be resumed on Friday 15 September.

16 Regulatory Impact Assessments Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

17 Caravan Sites Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

18 British Broadcasting Corporation (Privatisation) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

19 Barnett Formula (Replacement) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

20 National Health Service Co-Funding and Co-Payment Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

21 Illegal Immigration (Offences) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

22 Anonymity of Suspects Bill

Order for resuming on Friday 14 July the adjourned debate on the Question proposed on 28 October 2022, That the Bill be now read a second time, read and discharged.

Debate to be resumed on Friday 15 September.

23 Covid-19 Vaccine Diagnosis and Treatment Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

24 NHS England (Alternative Treatment) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

25 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

26 Green Belt (Protection) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 14 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15 September.

*General Committees: Reports***27 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Sir Robert Syms (Chair) reported the draft Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Order 2023.

28 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Virendra Sharma (Chair) reported the draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Industry Training Board) Order 2023.

29 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

Martin Vickers (Chair) reported the draft Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for Use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017 (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) 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).

30 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Building Safety (Leaseholder Protections etc.) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)

(1) Chair: Mrs Sheryll Murray

(2) Members: Brendan Clarke-Smith, Elliot Colburn, Marsha De Cordova, Jackie Doyle-Price, Sir David Evennett, Colleen Fletcher, Mary Kelly Foy, Barry Gardiner, Jo Gideon, Margaret Greenwood, Sir Oliver Heald, Clive Lewis, Rachel Maclean, Mark Pawsey, Matthew Pennycook, Dr Jamie Wallis and Jacob Young

31 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Postal Packets (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023)

(1) Chair: Mark Pritchard

(2) Members: Adam Afriyie, Victoria Atkins, Mr Richard Bacon, Paul Blomfield, Kevin Brennan, Douglas Chapman, Stella Creasy, Mr Jonathan Djanogly, Sir James Duddridge, Nick Fletcher, Paul Howell, Danny Kruger, Marco Longhi, Abena Oppong-Asare, Andrew Stephenson, Liz Twist and Sammy Wilson

32 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Electricity Capacity (Amendment) Regulations 2023)

(1) Chair: Mr Laurence Robertson

(2) Members: Mr Ben Bradshaw, Jack Brereton, Sara Britcliffe, Alan Brown, Sir Robert Buckland, Jon Cruddas, David Duguid, Sir Michael Ellis, Adam Holloway, Joy Morrissey, Lia

Nici, Bell Ribeiro-Addy, Cat Smith, Graham Stuart, Christian Wakeford, Giles Watling and Dr Alan Whitehead

33 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Official Statistics Order 2023)

(1) Chair: Dame Angela Eagle

(2) Members: Bim Afolami, Caroline Ansell, Alex Burghart, Sir Simon Clarke, Florence Eshalomi, Peter Gibson, Julie Marson, Nigel Mills, Navendu Mishra, Zarah Sultana, Sam Tarry, Matt Warman, Andrew Western, Mick Whitley, Craig Whittaker, Beth Winter and Sir Jeremy Wright

34 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023)

(1) Chair: Sir Robert Syms

(2) Members: Hilary Benn, Olivia Blake, Richard Burgon, Miriam Cates, Jo Churchill, Mary Glendon, Chris Green, Mrs Paulette Hamilton, Chris Loder, Dame Amanda Milling, Jill Mortimer, Mary Robinson, Royston Smith, Mark Spencer, John Stevenson, Jon Trickett and Daniel Zeichner

Select Committees: Reports

35 Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

The work of the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1549) (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

36 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

Thames Water and the financial resilience of the water industry: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1704) (Sir Robert Goodwill).

37 Environmental Audit Committee

(1) *Seeing the wood for the trees: the contribution of the forestry and timber sectors to biodiversity and net zero goals: Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 637);*

(2) *Environmental change and food security: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 880) (Philip Dunne).*

38 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) Twenty-first Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 119-xxi);

(2) *Regulating after Brexit: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 125);*

(3) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to the Prime Minister's attendance at the European Political Community summit in Moldova: Written evidence, to be published;*

(4) *Ministerial correspondence: Written evidence, to be published (HC 119) (Sir William Cash).*

39 Health and Social Care Committee

(1) *Workforce plan: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1712);*

- (2) *Assisted dying/assisted suicide*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 711);
- (3) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to 999 services*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to sodium valproate*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Youth vaping*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1580)
(Steve Brine).

40 Home Affairs Committee

- (1) *Correspondence from the Home Secretary and the Secretary of State for Justice relating to the Rape Review progress report*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Crime, Policing and Fire relating to adult services websites*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Drugs*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 198)
(Dame Diana Johnson).

41 Petitions Committee

Public engagement on e-petitions: Written evidence, to be published (HC 73) (Catherine McKinnell).

42 Procedure Committee

Correspondence with the Leader of the House relating to scrutiny of devolved institutions in England: Written evidence, to be published (Karen Bradley).

43 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

- (1) *The work of the Cabinet Office*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 950);
- (2) *Correspondence with the Minister of State for the Cabinet Office relating to the commencement of the independent review of the UK Statistics Authority*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Membership of the House of Lords*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1554)
(Mr William Wragg).

44 Science, Innovation and Technology Committee

- (1) *Insect decline and UK food security*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1239);
- (2) *Emerging diseases and learnings from covid-19*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1303)
(Greg Clark).

45 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Forty-fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 4-xliv) (Jessica Morden).

46 Treasury Committee

Multi-occupancy building insurance: Oral evidence, taken before the Sub-Committee on Financial Services Regulations, to be published (HC 1711) (Harriett Baldwin).

47 Welsh Affairs Committee

Chief constables in Wales: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1657) (Stephen Crabb).

48 Women and Equalities Committee

(1) *So-called honour-based abuse*: Sixth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 831);

(2) *Work of the Equality and Human Rights Commission*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1379);

(3) *Correspondence with the Minister for Women and Equalities relating to the Retained EU Law Act*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *National Disability Strategy*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 241);

(5) *RSHE review*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1309);

(6) *Sexism and inequalities in sport*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1346) (Caroline Nokes).

49 Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *Plan for Jobs and employment support*: Eighth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 600);

(2) *Pensions dashboard*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1275);

(3) *Children in poverty: Child Maintenance Service*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 272);

(4) *Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary relating to fraud and error targets*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Defined benefit pensions with Liability Driven Investments*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 826);

(6) *Health assessments for benefits*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 128) (Sir Stephen Timms).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.40 am.

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

1 UK-Mongolian relations

Resolved, That this House has considered UK-Mongolian relations.—(*Daniel Kawczynski*.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.49 am and 10.56 am.

2 Abandoned vehicles on public highways

Resolved, That this House has considered abandoned vehicles on public highways.—(*Robbie Moore*.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.28 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Metropolitan Police investigation into the murder of Stephen Lawrence

Resolved, That this House has considered the Metropolitan Police investigation into the murder of Stephen Lawrence.—(*Clive Efford*.)

4 Sexual and reproductive health and rights and overseas aid

Resolved, That this House has considered sexual and reproductive health and rights and overseas aid.—(*Sarah Champion*.)

5 Pension retirement age for construction workers

Resolved, That this House has considered the pension retirement age for construction workers.—(*Owen Thompson*.)

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

Adjourned at 5.10 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Environmental Protection

(1) Draft Environmental Civil Sanctions (England) (Amendment) Order 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Thérèse Coffey)

(2) Draft Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Thérèse Coffey)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Animals (Scientific Procedures)

Guidance for training and continuous professional development under the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

3 Children and Young Persons

Early Years Foundation Stage (Learning and Development and Welfare Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 780), dated 10 July 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Claire Coutinho)

4 Criminal Law

Criminal Justice (Specified Class A Drugs) Order 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 784), dated 10 July 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

5 Financial Services and Markets

Electronic Money, Payment Card Interchange Fee and Payment Services (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 790), dated 11 July 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Andrew Griffith)

6 Miscellaneous No. 6 (2023)

Protocol, done at Palma de Mallorca on 18 November 2019, to amend the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (by Command) (CP 871), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary James Cleverly)

Other papers

7 Broadcasting

Report and Accounts of S4C for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1344) (Sir John Whittingdale)

8 Communications

Accounts of the Office of Communications Section 400 Licence Fees and Penalties for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1631) (Clerk of the House)

9 Coroners and Justice

Report of the Sentencing Council for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Alex Chalk)

10 Energy

Capacity Market (Amendment) Rules 2023 (by Act) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

11 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts of English Sports Development Trust Limited for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Order), to be printed (HC 1551) (Stuart Andrew)

12 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Minute, dated 29 June 2023, concerning notification of changes to the contingent liability for the indemnity of the Local Government Association to operate a joint inspection team to provide advice to local authorities (by Command) (Lee Rowley)

13 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on The Royal Household: Royal Household spending and accountability (by Act), to be printed (HC 1661) (Clerk of the House)

14 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(2) Report and Accounts of Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(3) Report and Accounts of Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(4) Report and Accounts of Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(5) Report and Accounts of Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(6) Report and Accounts of Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(7) Report and Accounts of Moorfields Eye Hospital NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(8) Report and Accounts of Queen Victoria Hospital NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(9) Report and Accounts of Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(10) Report and Accounts of West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

15 National Lottery etc.

Report and Accounts of the Big Lottery Fund (The National Lottery Community Fund) for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1426) (Secretary Lucy Frazer)

16 Office of Communications

Report and Accounts of the Office of Communications for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1506) (Secretary Lucy Frazer)

17 Video Recordings

Report and Accounts of the Video Standards Council for 2022 (by Act) (Sir John Whittingdale)