



# House of Commons

Monday 22 January 2024

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- 2 Speaker's Statement: Constituency etiquette
- 3 Urgent Questions: (1) Funded childcare (David Johnston)  
(2) Measles (Maria Caulfield)
- 4 Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill: Second Reading

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill be now read a second time.

Amendment moved to leave out from 'That' to the end of the Question and add 'this House, while affirming the need for urgent action to tackle the UK's energy insecurity, the cost of living crisis, and the climate crisis, and for a managed, fair and prosperous transition for workers and communities, declines to give a Second Reading to the Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill because mandating annual oil and gas licensing rounds will not reduce energy costs for households and businesses as the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero has stated, will not enhance energy security, offers no plan for the future of the UK's offshore energy communities, will ensure the UK remains at the mercy of petrostates and dictators who control fossil fuel markets, is entirely incompatible with the UK's international climate change commitments and is a totally unnecessary piece of legislation which will do nothing to serve the UK's national interest.'.—(*Edward Miliband.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 61

Ayes: 209 (Tellers: Kim Leadbeater, Mary Glendon)

Noes: 292 (Tellers: Joy Morrissey, Mark Jenkinson)

Question negatived.

Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 62(2)), That the Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Division No. 62

Ayes: 293 (Tellers: Joy Morrissey, Mark Jenkinson)

Noes: 211 (Tellers: Kim Leadbeater, Mary Glendon)

Question agreed to and Bill read a second time.

## 5 Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill: Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Offshore Petroleum Licensing Bill:

### *Committal*

(1) The Bill shall be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

### *Proceedings in Committee, on Consideration and on Third Reading*

(2) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion three hours after their commencement.

(3) Any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion four hours after the commencement of proceedings in Committee of the whole House.

(4) Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings in Committee of the whole House, to any proceedings on Consideration or to proceedings on Third Reading.

### *Other proceedings*

(5) Any other proceedings on the Bill may be programmed.—(Scott Mann.)

Question agreed to.

## 6 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024, which was laid before this House on 13 December 2023, be approved.—(Scott Mann.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Public Offers and Admissions to Trading Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 27 November 2023, be approved.—(Scott Mann.)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Securitisation Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 27 November 2023, be approved.—(Scott Mann.)

Question agreed to.

(4) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Financial Services Act 2021 (Overseas Funds Regime and Recognition of Parts of Schemes) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 4 December 2023, be approved.—(Scott Mann.)

Question agreed to.

(5) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Data Reporting Services Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 27 November 2023, be approved.—(Scott Mann.)

Question agreed to.

(6) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Wine (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 4 December 2023, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

## **7 Changes to membership of select committees**

(1) *Ordered*, That Robbie Moore be discharged from the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee and Selaine Saxby be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(2) *Ordered*, That Miriam Cates be discharged from the Education Committee and Vicky Ford be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(3) *Ordered*, That Chris Grayling be added to the Environmental Audit Committee.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(4) *Ordered*, That Mr Robin Walker be discharged from the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee and Kelly Tolhurst be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(5) *Ordered*, That Andrew Western be discharged from the Scottish Affairs Committee and Michael Shanks be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(6) *Ordered*, That Wayne David be discharged from the Welsh Affairs Committee and Tonia Antoniazzi be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

## **8 Adjournment**

Subject: Protecting consumers from AI scams (Dean Russell)

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

Adjourned at 9.49 pm until tomorrow.

# **Other Proceedings**

## *Changes to Notices Given*

## **9 Offences Against the Person Act 1861 (Sentencing Guidelines) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 26 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 2 February.

## *General Committees: Reports*

## **10 First Delegated Legislation Committee**

Peter Dowd (Chair) reported the Iran (Sanctions) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 1314).

## **11 Second Delegated Legislation Committee**

Graham Stringer (Chair) reported the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 1367) and the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 1364).

### *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).*

#### **12 First Delegated Legislation Committee**

Members: Damien Moore and Tulip Siddiq discharged and Shaun Bailey and Wayne David nominated in substitution.

#### **13 Second Delegated Legislation Committee**

Members: Kate Kniveton and Tulip Siddiq discharged and Stephen Doughty and George Freeman nominated in substitution.

#### **14 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Members: Sir Jeremy Quin discharged and Sir Bernard Jenkin nominated in substitution.

### *Select Committees: Reports*

#### **15 Administration Committee**

(1) *Communicating the Commons: how effectively does the House of Commons Administration communicate about Parliament: Response from the House of Commons Commission*: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 511);

(2) Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 22 January, to be published (Sir Charles Walker).

#### **16 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee**

*Finances and sustainability of the social housing sector*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 60) (Clive Betts).

#### **17 Public Accounts (Committee of)**

(1) *Whole of Government Accounts 2020–21*: Ninth Report, to be printed with formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 65);

(2) *Defence equipment plan 2023–33*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 451);

(3) *Competition in public procurement*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 385);

(4) *Correspondence from the Department for Transport relating to Crossrail*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *HMRC standard report 2022–23*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 76)

(Dame Meg Hillier).

*Lindsay Hoyle*

Speaker

## Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 4.30 pm.

Debate on an e-petition (Standing Orders No. 10(1)(a) and No. 145A(7))

### 1 Groceries Supply Code of Practice

*Resolved*, That this House has considered e-petition 643216 relating to the Groceries Supply Code of Practice.—(*Christina Rees*.)

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

Adjourned at 6.35 pm until tomorrow.

*Eleanor Laing*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

### 1 Banks and Banking

Draft Bank of England Levy (Amount of Levy Payable) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Bim Afolami)

### 2 Education

Draft Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Act 2022 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary David T C Davies)

### 3 Electricity

(1) Draft Electricity Capacity (Supplier Payment etc.) (Amendment and Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

(2) Draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

(3) Draft Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

### 4 Financial Services

\*This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings relating to Monday 29 January 2024.

Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Bim Afolami)

**5 Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism**

Draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice for Authorised Officers) Order 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary James Cleverly)

**6 Proceeds of Crime**

(1) Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigative Powers of Prosecutors: Code of Practice) Order 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Attorney General)

(2) Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Search, Recovery of Cryptoassets and Investigations: Codes of Practice) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary James Cleverly)

(3) Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and Terrorism Act 2000 (Certain Information Orders: Code of Practice) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary James Cleverly)

**7 Public Procurement**

Draft Single Source Contract (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (James Cartlidge)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

**8 Children and Young Persons**

School and Early Years Finance and Childcare (Provision of Information About Young Children) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 66), dated 18 January 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Damian Hinds)

Other papers

**9 Culture, Media and Sport**

The BBC Mid-Term Review (by Command) (CP 999) (Secretary Lucy Frazer)

**10 Environment**

Government Response to the Report by the Office for Environmental Protection on a review of the implementation of environmental assessment regimes in England (by Act) (Secretary Michael Gove)

**11 Local Government**

Explanatory Memorandum to the draft East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 (by Command) (Jacob Young)

**12 National Health Service**

Report and Accounts of East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust for 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Victoria Atkins)

**13 Philippines No. 1 (2024)**

Treaty, done at Manila on 26 October 2023, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons (No. 1012), dated (by Command), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (David Rutley)

**14 Proceeds of Crime**

(1) Certain Information Orders: Draft Code of Practice issued under Section 339ZL of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and Section 22F of the Terrorism Act 2000 (by Act) (Secretary James Cleverly)

(2) Investigations: Draft Code of Practice issued under Section 377 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (by Act) (Secretary James Cleverly)

(3) Investigative Powers of Prosecutors: Draft Code of Practice issued under Section 377A of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (by Act) (Robert Courts)

(4) Recovery of Cryptoassets: Search Powers: Draft Code of Practice issued under Section 303Z25 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (by Act) (Secretary James Cleverly)

(5) Search, Seizure and Detention of Property (England and Wales): Draft Code of Practice issued under Section 47S of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (by Act) (Secretary James Cleverly)

**15 Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform)**

Retained EU Law Parliamentary Report June–December 2023 (by Act) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

**16 Terrorism**

Draft Code of Practice for officers acting under Schedule 1 to the Anti-Terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001 (by Act) (Secretary James Cleverly)

**17 Treasure**

Treasure Act Annual Report 2021 (by Act) (Julia Lopez)

Withdrawn papers

**18 Local Government**

Explanatory Memorandum to the draft East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 (laid 18 December 2023)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

Member	From	To	Proxy
Andy McDonald	15 January	29 January	Ian Lavery