

# Wednesday 10 January 2024

# **Votes and Proceedings**

The House met at 11.30 am.

**Prayers** 

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology
  - (2) the Prime Minister
- 2 Urgent Question: Post Office Horizon scandal (Kevin Hollinrake)
- 3 Scottish Law Officers (Devolution): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Scotland Act 1998 to grant to the Scottish Parliament legislative competence in respect of the role and functions of the Scottish Law Officers; and for connected purposes;

That Joanna Cherry, Chris Stephens, Douglas Chapman, Patricia Gibson, Carol Monaghan, Marion Fellows, Ronnie Cowan, Kenny MacAskill, Mr Alistair Carmichael, Wendy Chamberlain, Christine Jardine and Mr David Davis present the Bill.

Joanna Cherry accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 22 March, and to be printed (Bill 76).

4 Finance Bill: Programme (No. 2)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the Order of 13 December 2023 (Finance Bill: Programme) be varied as follows:

In paragraph (5) of that Order, for 'Thursday 18 January' substitute 'Tuesday 30 January'.—(Robert Largan.)

Question agreed to.

Finance Bill (Clauses 1 and 2, Schedule 1, Clause 21, Schedule 12, Clauses 25, 27 and 31 to 34, Schedule 13 and new Clauses or new Schedules relating to the subject matter of those Clauses and Schedules): Committee of the whole House

The House resolved itself into a Committee (Programme Order, 13 December 2023).

(In the Committee)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 agreed to.

Schedule 1 agreed to.

New Clause NC1 —(James Murray)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Division No. 36

Ayes: 224 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Mary Glindon)

Noes: 294 (Tellers: Mike Wood, Suzanne Webb)

Question negatived. Clause 21 agreed to.

Schedule 12 agreed to.

Clauses 31 and 32 agreed to.

Schedule 13 agreed to.

Clauses 33 and 34 agreed to.

New Clause NC2—(James Murray)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Division No. 37

Ayes: 228 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Mary Glindon)

Noes: 298 (Tellers: Mike Wood, Suzanne Webb)

Question negatived.

New Clause NC5—(Sarah Olney)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Division No. 38

Ayes: 18 (Tellers: Jamie Stone, Richard Foord)
Noes: 300 (Tellers: Mike Wood, Suzanne Webb)

Question negatived.

New Clause NC7—(James Murray)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Division No. 39

Ayes: 222 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Mary Glindon)

Noes: 301 (Tellers: Mike Wood, Suzanne Webb)

Question negatived.

Clause 25 agreed to.

Clause 27 agreed to.

Bill (Clauses 1 and 2, Schedule 1, Clause 21 and Schedule 12, Clauses 25, 27 and 31 to 34 and Schedule 13) to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Suzanne Webb reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill (Clauses 1 and 2, Schedule 1, Clause 21 and Schedule 12, Clauses 25, 27 and 31 to 34 and Schedule 13) and made no amendment.

Bill (Clauses 1 and 2, Schedule 1, Clause 21 and Schedule 12, Clauses 25, 27 and 31 to 34 and Schedule 13) to lie upon the Table.

## 6 Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill: Third Reading

Secretary Michael Gove signified King's consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill be now read the third time.

Amendment moved, to leave out from 'That' to the end of the Question and add 'this House, while opposing any discrimination or prejudice in the economic activities of public bodies, believing that all such bodies must act without bias or selectivity when making ethical decisions on procurement and investment and recognising the impact selective and biased campaigns have had on the Jewish community in particular, declines to give a Third Reading to the Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill because it does not effectively address the problem it rightly seeks to solve, is incompatible with international law and UN Security Council Resolutions, risks undermining support for groups around the world facing persecution, includes needlessly broad and sweeping draconian powers while placing unprecedented restrictions on public bodies to express a view on current and proposed policy and represents a major departure from the UK Government's long-established diplomatic position on the Occupied Palestinian Territories and Golan Heights, in a way that undermines the UK's future credibility and capacity to support diplomatic negotiations towards a just and lasting peace in Israel and Palestine based on a two-state solution, at a time when consistent support for that objective is more important than ever.—(Angela Rayner.)

The Deputy Speaker announced a time limit on backbench speeches (Standing Order No. 47(1)).

As it was one hour after the commencement of proceedings on Third Reading, the Chair put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on Third Reading to a conclusion (Programme Order, 25 October 2023, in the last Session of Parliament).

The following Questions were put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83E).

(1) That the Amendment be made (Question already proposed from the Chair).

The House divided.

Division No. 40

Ayes: 228 (Tellers: Mary Glindon, Andrew Western)

Noes: 284 (Tellers: Suzanne Webb, Mike Wood)

Question negatived.

(2) That the Bill be read the third time (Question already proposed from the Chair).

The House divided.

Division No. 41

Ayes: 282 (Tellers: Suzanne Webb, Mike Wood)

Noes: 235 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Mary Glindon)

Question agreed to.

Bill read the third time and passed.

## 7 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Online Safety (List of Overseas Regulators) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 28 November 2023, be approved.—(*Mr Gagan Mohindra*.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft National Minimum Wage (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 13 September 2023, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*Mr Gagan Mohindra*.)

Question agreed to.

#### 8 Adjournment

Subject: Government support for the Inter Faith Network for the UK (Holly Lynch) Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Gagan Mohindra.)

Adjourned at 7.42 pm until tomorrow.

# Other Proceedings

\* This item has been corrected since publication. See the correction in the Votes and Proceedings relating to Thursday 11 January 2024.

Explanatory Notes to Bills

#### 9 Building Societies Act 1986 (Amendment) Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 18–EN).

#### 10 Pet Abduction Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 26–EN).

#### 11 Licensing Hours Extensions Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 32-EN).

# 12 Zoological Society of London (Leases) Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 70-EN).

# 13 Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 140-EN).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

## **Public petitions**

#### 14 Petitions presented informally

A public petition from Mike Spenser relating to Blue Badge drivers in Low Traffic Neighbourhoods was presented.

#### General Committees: Reports

#### 15 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee

Hannah Bardell (Chair) reported the draft Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Amendment of List of Safe States) Regulations 2024.

#### 16 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mark Pritchard (Chair) reported the draft Immigration (Health Charge) (Amendment) Order 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).

#### 17 Finance Bill Committee

Members: Tonia Antoniazzi, Dan Carden, Gareth Davies, Chris Green, Drew Hendry, Paul Howell, Nigel Huddleston, Robert Largan, Siobhain McDonagh, Alan Mak, Jerome Mayhew, Carol Monaghan, James Murray, Will Quince, Tulip Siddiq, David Simmonds and Maggie Throup

#### 18 Leasehold and Frehold Reform Bill Committee

Members: Mike Amesbury, Andy Carter, Dehenna Davison, Sarah Edwards, Ben Everitt, Richard Fuller, Barry Gardiner, Mary Glindon, Eddie Hughes, Ian Levy, Rachel Maclean, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Matthew Pennycook, Ms Marie Rimmer, Lee Rowley, Chloe Smith and Alistair Strathern

19 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Immigration Act 2014 (Residential Accommodation) (Maximum Penalty) Order 2023 and draft Immigration (Employment of Adults Subject to Immigration Control) (Maximum Penalty) (Amendment) Order 2023)

Members: Mr Richard Bacon, Mr Ben Bradshaw, Neil Coyle, Tracey Crouch, Jackie Doyle-Price, Sir David Evennett, Colleen Fletcher, Luke Hall, Dame Meg Hillier, Stephen Kinnock, Joy Morrissey, Tom Pursglove, Cat Smith, James Sunderland, Alison Thewliss, Steve Tuckwell and Theresa Villiers

# 20 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Representation of the People (Postal and Proxy Voting etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2024)

Members: Paula Barker, Paul Bristow, Felicity Buchan, Richard Burgon, Dehenna Davison, David Duguid, Sarah Edwards, Florence Eshalomi, Ben Everitt, Mary Glindon, Patrick

Grady, Mrs Paulette Hamilton, Paul Holmes, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Mary Robinson, Matt Vickers and Sir Jeremy Wright

# 21 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices (In Vitro Diagnostic Devices etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)

Members: Peter Aldous, Dr Rosena Allin-Khan, Duncan Baker, Ben Bradley, Ian Byrne, Stella Creasy, Virginia Crosbie, Ruth Edwards, Dr Liam Fox, Jo Gideon, Preet Kaur Gill, Antony Higginbotham, Kate Osamor, Royston Smith, Andrew Stephenson, Sir Stephen Timms and Christian Wakeford

# 22 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Employment Tribunals and Employment Appeal Tribunal (Composition of Tribunal) Regulations 2023)

Members: Caroline Ansell, Ms Karen Buck, Ruth Cadbury, Dr Thérèse Coffey, Elliot Colburn, Miss Sarah Dines, George Eustice, Mike Freer, Mr David Jones, Gerald Jones, Scott Mann, Navendu Mishra, Gary Sambrook, Naz Shah, David Simmonds, Chris Stephens and Mohammad Yasin

# 23 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Child Support (Management of Payments and Arrears and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)

Members: Siobhan Baillie, Aaron Bell, Paul Blomfield, Sir Robert Buckland, Marion Fellows, Nick Fletcher, Kim Leadbeater, Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck, Alison McGovern, Julie Marson, Paul Maynard, Ian Mearns, Sir Mike Penning, Lloyd Russell-Moyle, Dean Russell, Sir John Whittingdale and James Wild

# 24 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Immigration (Health Charge) (Amendment) Order 2023)

Members: Jill Mortimer discharged and Holly Mumby-Croft nominated in substitution.

# 25 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024)

Members: Duncan Baker, Miriam Cates, Brendan Clarke-Smith, Martyn Day, Ruth Edwards, Fabian Hamilton, Stephen Hammond, Clive Lewis, Rebecca Long Bailey, Rachael Maskell, David Morris, Jeremy Quin, Bob Seely, Karin Smyth, Andrew Stephenson, Sir Desmond Swayne and Christian Wakeford

# 26 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Public Offers and Admissions to Trading Regulations 2023, draft Securitisation Regulations 2023, draft Financial Services Act 2021 (Overseas Funds Regime and Recognition of Parts of Schemes) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations 2024 and draft Data Reporting Services Regulations 2023)

Members: Bim Afolami, Tonia Antoniazzi, Olivia Blake, Sarah Champion, Sir Simon Clarke, Richard Fuller, Sir Robert Goodwill, Damian Green, Paul Howell, Sir Greg Knight, Robert Largan, Mark Menzies, Lia Nici, Jess Phillips, Ms Marie Rimmer, Tulip Siddiq and Jon Trickett

# 27 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Wine (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024)

Members: Sarah Atherton, Mr Jonathan Djanogly, Mrs Natalie Elphicke, Michael Fabricant, Colleen Fletcher, Mary Kelly Foy, Paul Howell, Daniel Kawczynski, Robert Largan, Ian Lavery, John McDonnell, Grahame Morris, Jesse Norman, Mark Spencer, Giles Watling, Mick Whitley and Daniel Zeichner

Select Committees: Reports

#### 28 Business and Trade Committee

The performance of investment zones and freeports in England: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 272) (Liam Byrne).

#### 29 Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

- (1) Heating our homes: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 115);
- (2) A flexible grid for the future: Written evidence, to be published (HC 113);
- (3) Correspondence from the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero: Written evidence, to be published

(Angus Brendan MacNeil).

#### 30 Environmental Audit Committee

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Correspondence with the Minister for Enterprise, Markets and Small Business relating to Smarter Regulation: Fire safety of domestic upholstered furniture: Written evidence, to be published (Philip Dunne).

#### 31 European Scrutiny Committee

- (1) The UK's EU representation: what has changed and how is it working?: Government Response to the Committee's Twenty-third Report of Session 2022–23: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 479);
- (2) Correspondence from the Chair of the Senedd Cymru Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee relating to that committee's inquiry into UK-EU governance: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Europe relating to priorities of the Belgian EU Council Presidency: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Minister of State for Food, Farming and Fisheries relating to UK/EU fisheries negotiations: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business and Trade relating to Retained EU Law: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology relating to the UK's association to the Horizon Europe and Copernicus programmes: Written evidence, to be published

(Sir William Cash).

#### 32 Holocaust Memorial Bill (Select Committee on the)

Holocaust Memorial Bill: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 121) (John Stevenson).

#### 33 Home Affairs Committee

- (1) UK-Rwanda treaty: provision of an asylum partnership: Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 434);
- (2) Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 123);

- (3) Correspondence from the Home Secretary: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Minister for Legal Migration and the Border, relating to the level of financial allowances provided to asylum seekers: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Correspondence from the Minister for Victims and Safeguarding, relating to the Government's Statutory Report on Spiking: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) Correspondence with Jonathan Hall KC, the Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Legislation, relating to the Policing of Protests inquiry: Written evidence, to be published;
- (7) Correspondence with the Ministers of Legal Migration and Illegal Migration, relating to their appearance before the Committee on 13 December: Written evidence, to be published:
- (8) Fraud: Written evidence, to be published (HC 125);
- (9) Policing of protests: Written evidence, to be published (HC 369);

(Dame Diana Johnson).

#### 34 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

Joanna Cherry reported:

- (1) That she had been chosen as Chair of the Committee;
- (2) Draft Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Remedial) Order 2023 Second Report: First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 464);
- (3) Legislative scrutiny: Safety in Rwanda (Asylum & Immigration) Bill: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 435).

#### 35 Justice Committee

Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to private prosecutions: Written evidence, to be published (Sir Robert Neill).

#### 36 Liaison Committee

*Evidence from the Prime Minister*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 419) (Sir Bernard Jenkin).

#### 37 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

- (1) Correspondence with the Secretary of State: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) Correspondence with the Victims' Payments Board: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Integrated Education: Written evidence, to be published (HC 373);
- (4) Renewable Energy and Net Zero in Northern Ireland: Written evidence, to be published (HC 428)

(Sir Robert Buckland).

#### 38 Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) Resilience to flooding:
  - (i) Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 71);
  - (ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 71);

- (2) *Improving Defence Inventory Management*: Eighth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 66);
- (3) Cabinet Office functional savings: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 423);
- (4) Correspondence from the Financial Conduct Authority relating to FCA rules on maintaining reasonable access to cash: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Correspondence from the Home Office: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports: Written evidence, to be published;
- (7) Correspondence with HMRC relating to the Trader Support Service contract extension: Written evidence, to be published;
- (8) Correspondence with HM Treasury: Written evidence, to be published;
- (9) Cross-government working: Written evidence, to be published (HC 75);
- (10) FCDO Annual Report and Accounts 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published (HC 68);
- (11) Homes for Ukraine: Written evidence, to be published (HC 69);
- (12) HS2 and Euston: Recall: Written evidence, to be published (HC 67);
- (13) Managing government borrowing: Written evidence, to be published (HC 74);
- (14) Reducing the harm from illegal drugs: Written evidence, to be published (HC 72) (Dame Meg Hillier).

#### 39 Science, Innovation and Technology Committee

- (1) UK Astronomy: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 329);
- (2) Commercialising quantum technologies: Written evidence, to be published (HC 270);
- (3) Correspondence from the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council relating to the appointment of the BBSRC Executive Chair: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Minister for Data and Digital Infrastructure relating to the Government's public consultation Protecting and enhancing the security and resilience of the UK data infrastructure: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Correspondence from the Minister for Science, Research and Innovation relating to the Government's pathfinder launch lessons learnt report: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) Insect decline and UK food security: Written evidence, to be published (HC 326) (Greg Clark).

## 40 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee)

Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 35-iv) (Jessica Morden).

#### 41 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)

Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 36–vii) (Jessica Morden).

#### **42 Transport Committee**

HS2: progress update: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 85) (lain Stewart).

## 43 Treasury Committee

Bank of England Financial Stability Reports: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 208) (Harriett Baldwin).

#### 44 Welsh Affairs Committee

- (1) One-off session with the Chair of S4C: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 391);
- (2) Defence industry in Wales: Written evidence, to be published (HC 102);
- (3) Water quality in Wales: Written evidence, to be published (HC 104) (Stephen Crabb).

#### 45 Women and Equalities Committee

- (1) The rights of older people: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 132);
- (2) Sexism and inequalities in sport: Written evidence, to be published (HC 130);
- (3) The escalation of violence against women and girls: Written evidence, to be published (HC 131);
- (4) Women's reproductive health: Written evidence, to be published (HC 133) (Caroline Nokes).

#### 46 Work and Pensions Committee

- (1) Defined benefit pension schemes: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 144);
- (2) DWP's Annual Report and Accounts 2022–23: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 417);
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Disabled People, Health and Work relating to the Health Transformation Programme: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence with the Minister for Pensions relating to Guaranteed Minimum Pension (GMP): Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Correspondence with The Pensions Regulator relating to Wilko pension scheme: Written evidence, to be published;

- (6) People and skills and the UK Shared Prosperity Fund: Written evidence, to be published (HC 147);
- (7) Safeguarding vulnerable claimants: Written evidence, to be published (HC 146);
- (8) *Statutory sick pay*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 148) (Sir Stephen Timms).

## Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

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

#### 1 Musculoskeletal conditions and employment

Resolved, That this House has considered musculoskeletal conditions and employment.— (Margaret Greenwood.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.43 am and 11 am

## 2 Tidal range energy generation

Resolved, That this House has considered tidal range energy generation.—(Mick Whitley.) The sitting was suspended between 11.19 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

## 3 Government policy on Afghanistan

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered Government policy on Afghanistan.—(*Mr Tobias Ellwood.*)

The sitting was suspended between 3.37 pm and 3.52 pm for a division in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

At 4.15 pm, the motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

#### 4 Potential merits of UK support for dementia services in Ukraine

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the potential merits of UK support for dementia services in Ukraine.—(Sir Gary Streeter.)

The sitting was suspended between 4.32 pm and 5.07 pm for divisions in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the potential merits of UK support for dementia services in Ukraine.

#### 5 Access to free school meals for children with special educational needs and disabilities

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered access to free school meals for children with special educational needs and disabilities.—(Ian Byrne.)

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)).

Resolved, That this House has considered access to free school meals for children with special educational needs and disabilities.

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

Adjourned at 6.18 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

# **Papers Laid**

# Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

#### 1 Companies

- (1) Draft Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (Consequential, Supplementary and Incidental Provisions) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)
- (2) Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

#### 2 Environmental Protection

Draft Waste Enforcement (Fixed Penalty Receipts) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Robbie Moore)

#### 3 Medicines

Draft Human Medicines (Amendments Relating to Coronavirus and Influenza) (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Maria Caulfield)

#### 4 Northern Ireland

Draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Chris Heaton-Harris)

#### 5 Representation of the People

Draft Representation of the People (Postal Vote Handling etc.) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Chris Heaton-Harris)

# 6 Terms and Conditions of Employment

Draft Paternity Leave (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

#### Papers subject to Negative Resolution

#### 7 Albania No. 1 (2024)

Exchange of Letters, done at Tirana on 12 January and 12 June 2023, to amend the Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Albania (by Command) (CP 1003), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (David Rutley)

#### 8 Country Series Kosovo No. 1 (2024)

Amending Agreement No. 1, done at Pristina on 19 September 2023, between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Kosovo to amend the Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Kosovo (by Command) (CP 1007), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (David Rutley)

#### 9 Pensions

Draft General Code of Practice of the Pensions Regulator (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Paul Maynard)

## Other papers

#### 10 Chelsea Hospital

Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of the Royal Hospital Chelsea for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 378) (Clerk of the House)

#### 11 Financial Services and Markets

Financial Services and Markets Act 2023: Central Counterparties Special Resolution Regime Code of Practice (by Act) (Bim Afolami)

#### 12 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Health and Social Care: NHS Supply Chain and efficiencies in procurement (by Act), to be printed (HC 390) (Clerk of the House)

#### 13 Treaty Series No. 1 (2024)

Exchange of Notes, done at Bern on 10 November and 20 December 2023, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Swiss Federal Council concerning the Mutual Recognition of Driver Qualification Cards for Drivers of Large Vehicles Issued by the Relevant Authorities of the United Kingdom and the Swiss Confederation (by Command) (CP 1004) (David Rutley)

#### 14 Treaty Series No. 2 (2024)

Agreement, done at Oslo on 20 December 2023, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Kingdom of Norway on Right to Reimbursement of Immigration Health Charge for Students and their Family Members (by Command) (CP 1002) (David Rutley)

## 15 Treaty Series No. 3 (2024)

Agreement, done at Oslo on 20 December 2023, between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Kingdom of Norway on Reimbursement Arrangements for Healthcare Costs under the United Kingdom - EEA EFTA Social Security Coordination Convention and the United Kingdom - EEA EFTA Separation Agreement (by Command) (CP 1001) (David Rutley)

#### SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

#### **VOTING BY PROXY**

Member	From	То	Proxy
Kate Kniveton	10 January	10 February	Mr Marcus Jones
Ms Diane Abbott	10 January	10 July	Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Sir James Duddridge	11 January	10 July	Mr Marcus Jones

## **CORRECTION**

Tuesday 9 January

Item 1 (Papers Laid) should not have appeared.