



House of Commons

Monday 21 October 2024

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Home Secretary

2 Urgent Question: Immigration arrangements between the UK and St. Helena (Stephen Doughty)

3 Company Directors (Duties) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Martin Wrigley presented a Bill to amend section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 to require company directors to balance their duty to promote the success of the company with duties in respect of the environment and the company's employees.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 4 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 32).

4 Military Action Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Richard Foord presented a Bill to require parliamentary approval for the deployment of UK armed forces for armed conflict; to provide for exemptions from that requirement in cases of emergency or in respect of compliance with treaty obligations; to make provision for retrospective parliamentary approval in certain circumstances; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 33).

5 Palestine Statehood (Recognition) (No. 2) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Shockat Adam, supported by Jeremy Corbyn, Kim Johnson, Ayoub Khan, Iqbal Mohamed, Mr Adnan Hussain, Brendan O'Hara, Siân Berry, Liz Saville Roberts, Ian Byrne and Stephen Gethins, presented a Bill to make provision in connection with the recognition of the State of Palestine.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 34).

6 Hospices and Health Care (Report on Funding) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Luke Taylor presented a Bill to require the Secretary of State to publish proposals for the funding of hospice clinical services by NHS England; to require the Secretary of State to report to Parliament on the potential merits of including pharmacy, pathology, patient community equipment, palliative consultant costs, clinical nurse specialist services, and

advance care planning costs within the NHS funding framework; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 11 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 35).

7 Animal Welfare (Responsibility for Dog on Dog Attacks) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Dr Luke Evans presented a Bill to require a person in charge of a dog to take all reasonable steps to ensure that that dog does not fatally injure another dog; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May 2025, and to be printed (Bill 36).

8 Devolution (Immigration) (Scotland) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Stephen Gethins presented a Bill to amend the Scotland Act 1998 to grant legislative competence to the Scottish Parliament in respect of immigration.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 25 April 2025, and to be printed (Bill 37).

9 Access to Telecommunications Networks Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Helen Morgan presented a Bill to require providers of electronic communications networks to grant other such providers access to their apparatus where that is necessary to ensure consistent network coverage; to prevent those providers from charging more than the standard market rate for such access; to require the regulator to impose penalties on providers who unreasonably fail to grant such access; to make provision for the purpose of incentivising providers to allow customers of other providers to use their networks where access cannot be granted to their apparatus; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 13 June 2025, and to be printed (Bill 38).

10 Homelessness Prevention Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Bob Blackman, supported by Paula Barker, presented a Bill to make provision about the duties of public bodies to prevent homelessness.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 28 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 39).

11 Pension (Special Rules for End of Life) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Greg Smith presented a Bill to change the period of life expectancy relevant to certain pension rules.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 40).

12 Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion or Belief Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Jim Shannon presented a Bill to require the continued appointment of a special envoy for freedom of religion or belief and make provision about the special envoy's functions.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 41).

13 National Cancer Strategy Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Clive Jones presented a Bill to require the Secretary of State to publish a ten-year cancer strategy for England; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 4 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 42).

14 Bereavement Support (Children and Young People) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Christine Jardine presented a Bill to require specified organisations and public bodies to inform children and young people of local, national and online support services available to them following a bereavement; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 4 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 43).

15 Battery Energy Storage Systems (Fire Safety) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Anna Sabine presented a Bill to make fire and rescue authorities statutory consultees for planning applications relating to Battery Energy Storage Systems; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 25 April 2025, and to be printed (Bill 44).

16 Bullying and Respect at Work Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Rachael Maskell presented a Bill to provide for a statutory definition of bullying at work; to make provision relating to bullying at work, including to enable claims relating to workplace bullying to be considered by an employment tribunal; to provide for a Respect at Work Code to set minimum standards for positive and respectful work environments; to give powers to the Equalities and Human Rights Commission to investigate workplaces and organisations where there is evidence of a culture of, or multiple incidents of, bullying and to take enforcement action; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 20 June 2025, and to be printed (Bill 45).

17 Domestic Building Works (Consumer Protection) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Mark Garnier presented a Bill to make provision about consumer protection in relation to domestic building works; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 28 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 46).

18 Hunting Trophies (Import Prohibition) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

David Reed presented a Bill to make provision prohibiting the import of hunting trophies into Great Britain.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 47).

19 Secure 16 to 19 Academies Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Emma Foody presented a Bill to make provision about the notice period for termination of funding agreements for secure 16 to 19 Academies; to make provision about the Secretary of State's duty to consider the impact on existing educational institutions when it is proposed to establish or expand a secure 16 to 19 Academy; and to alter the

consultation question required when it is proposed to establish or expand a secure 16 to 19 Academy.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May 2025, and to be printed (Bill 49).

20 Animals in Medical Research (Prohibition) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Steve Race presented a Bill to prohibit the use of animals in medical research; to require the use of non-animal methods for conducting medical research; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 50).

21 Children Not in School (Registers, Support and Orders) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Paul Holmes presented a Bill to make provision about the maintenance of registers by local authorities of children in their area who are not full-time pupils at any school; to make provision about support by local authorities to promote the education of such children; to make provision about school attendance orders; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 51).

22 Employment Rights (Special Constables) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Ashley Fox presented a Bill to amend Section 50 of the Employment Rights Act 1996 to add Special Constables to the list of those granted the right to take time off work to perform their duties.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 53).

23 Agricultural Land (Planning) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Helen Whately presented a Bill to prohibit the granting of planning permission in respect of Grade 1 agricultural land; to provide for exemptions from that prohibition in specified circumstances; to place duties on local planning authorities in respect of such land; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May 2025, and to be printed (Bill 54).

24 Strategic Litigation Against Public Participation Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Gregory Stafford presented a Bill to make provision about the misuse of litigation to suppress freedom of speech.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 55).

25 Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Amendment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Liz Saville Roberts presented a Bill to amend the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 to place a requirement on employers to take proactive measures to prevent violence and harassment in the workplace; to make provision for protections for women and girls in the workplace; and to require the Health and Safety Executive to publish a Health and Safety Framework on violence and harassment in the workplace, including violence against women and girls in the workplace.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 56).

26 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope, supported by Sir Jeremy Wright, presented a Bill to require the Secretary of State to establish an independent review of disablement caused by Covid-19 vaccinations and the adequacy of the compensation offered to persons so disabled; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 58).

27 Courts (Remote Hearings) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Oliver Ryan presented a Bill to allow for certain civil and family court hearings to be conducted remotely.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May 2025, and to be printed (Bill 59).

28 Green Spaces Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Caroline Voaden presented a Bill to define the term "green spaces" to include urban parks, neighbourhood areas, and significant natural landscapes; to establish a Government Office for Green Spaces and to make provision about the powers and duties of that Office in relation to local authorities and public bodies; to require that Office to advise the Government on the preservation, enhancement, and accessibility of green spaces; to make provision about the promotion of community involvement in protection of green spaces; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 60).

29 Educational Institutions (Mental Health Policy) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Helen Maguire presented a Bill to require specified educational institutions to develop and maintain a mental health policy; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 6 December, and to be printed (Bill 61).

30 Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Aphra Brandreth presented a Bill to make provision changing the law about the offence of livestock worrying, including changes to what constitutes an offence and increased powers for investigation of suspected offences; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 62).

31 Plant Protection Products (Prohibition on Public Sector Use) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Siân Berry presented a Bill to provide for the prohibition of the use of professional plant protection products by local authorities and other public authorities for amenity purposes; to require the Secretary of State to publish guidance in connection with that prohibition; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 25 April 2025, and to be printed (Bill 63).

32 Chalk Streams (Protection) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sarah Green presented a Bill to provide for a category of protection for chalk streams for the purpose of providing additional protections from pollution, abstraction and other forms of environmental damage; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 65).

33 Pets (Microchips) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Rebecca Harris presented a Bill to make provision regarding pets with microchips; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 66).

34 Football (Gender Inequality) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

James MacCleary presented a Bill to require the Secretary of State to publish proposals for measures to address gender inequality in football.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 67).

35 Heritage Public Houses Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Mike Wood, supported by Bob Blackman, Mr Richard Holden, Ben Lake, Mr Toby Perkins, Greg Smith and Mr Gagan Mohindra, presented a Bill to require local authorities to maintain a register of heritage public houses in their area and to make provision in connection with the compilation and maintenance of such registers; to make provision relating to planning applications in respect of public houses on such a register; to place restrictions on the sale of heritage public houses; to make provision relating to the nomination of heritage public houses as assets of community value; to make provision about the listing of heritage public houses; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 68).

36 Building Regulations (Minimum Standards) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Manuela Perteghella presented a Bill to set minimum standards for the building of new homes in relation to quality and energy efficiency; to place requirements on developers of new homes; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 69).

37 Public Services (Targets) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Olly Glover presented a Bill to require the Government to set targets for the provision of public services and amenities, having regard to targets for the building of new homes; to require the Government to publish a report of progress against such targets every three years; to require the Government to consult local authorities to assess requirements for public services; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 13 June 2025, and to be printed (Bill 70).

38 State-related Deaths (National Oversight Mechanism) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Carla Denyer presented a Bill to establish an independent body to operate a national oversight mechanism to monitor recommendations arising from investigations into state-related deaths, including inquests, public inquiries and official reviews; to make provision about the powers of that body to require action in relation to such recommendations; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 71).

39 Nature-based Solutions (Water and Flooding) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Adrian Ramsay presented a Bill to require water companies and relevant public bodies to use nature-based solutions as a means to improve water and flood risk management services; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 72).

40 Social Media (Access to Accounts) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Max Wilkinson presented a Bill to require providers of social media accounts to grant parents access to the social media accounts of their child in cases where the child has died; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 73).

41 Climate Finance Fund (Fossil Fuels and Pollution) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Richard Burgon presented a Bill to require the Secretary of State to publish proposals for a Climate Finance Fund, to be funded via a levy on fossil fuel companies and other organisations that contribute to pollution; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 25 April 2025, and to be printed (Bill 74).

42 Carers and Care Workers Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Helen Morgan presented a Bill to require the Secretary of State to publish and implement a Care Workers Employment Strategy, with the aim of improving the recruitment and retention of care workers; to establish an independent National Care Workers Council with responsibility for setting professional standards for care workers, for establishing a system of professional qualifications and accreditation for care workers, and for advising the Government on those matters; to require the Secretary of State to commission an independent assessment of the support available to unpaid carers, including financial support and employment rights; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 76).

43 Bus Services Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Helen Morgan presented a Bill to place a duty on the Government to ensure that every town with a population of more than 10,000 people has a regular bus service operating seven days a week, and that local health services, including hospitals and GP surgeries, are served by those buses; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 November, and to be printed (Bill 77).

44 Meat (Information About Method of Killing) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to require producers, suppliers and retailers of meat to indicate clearly whether the animal has been killed in accordance with religious rites without prior stunning; to require the Secretary of State to collect and publish specified information relating to meat slaughtered in accordance with such practice; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 25 April 2025, and to be printed (Bill 78).

45 Bank of England (Inflation Targets) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to make provision for penalties against the Court of Directors of the Bank of England for failure to meet inflation targets.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 11 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 79).

46 Child Criminal Exploitation Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to create an offence of child criminal exploitation; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 4 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 80).

47 Health Insurance (Exemption from Insurance Premium Tax) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to provide for exemptions from insurance premium tax in respect of health insurance; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 20 June 2025, and to be printed (Bill 81).

48 Exemption from Value Added Tax (Listed Places of Worship) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to exempt from Value Added Tax repairs to listed places of worship; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 28 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 82).

49 Bailiffs (Warrants of Possession) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to set maximum time limits within which a bailiff's warrant of possession appointment date must be granted; to make provision for alternative methods of executing warrants of possession; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May 2025, and to be printed (Bill 83).

50 Exemption from Value Added Tax (Public Electric Vehicle Charging Points) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to exempt from Value Added Tax the supply of electricity at public electric vehicle charging points; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 13 June 2025, and to be printed (Bill 84).

51 Vaccine Damage Payments Act (Review) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope, supported by Sir Jeremy Wright, presented a Bill to place a duty on the Secretary of State to review, and publish a report on, the merits of increasing the relevant statutory sum under the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 for all claims since 1 January 2020 by an amount representing the amount of inflation since 2007.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 6 December, and to be printed (Bill 85).

52 Highways Act 1980 (Amendment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to amend section 58 of the Highways Act 1980 to restrict the defences available to highway authorities; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 86).

53 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Payments Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope, supported by Sir Jeremy Wright, presented a Bill to place a duty on the Secretary of State to make provision about financial assistance to persons who have suffered disablement following vaccination against Covid-19 and to the next of kin of persons who have died shortly after vaccination against Covid-19; to require the Secretary of State to report to Parliament on the merits of a no-fault compensation scheme to provide such financial assistance, on whether there should be any upper limit on the financial assistance available, on the criteria for eligibility and on whether payment should be made in all cases where there is no other reasonable cause for the death or disablement suffered; to provide for a special time limit under the Limitation Act 1980 for actions in respect of personal injury or death following a Covid-19 vaccination; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 87).

54 Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to provide that a draft statutory instrument which is subject to the affirmative resolution procedure may be amended by either House of Parliament before it is approved; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 88).

55 Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (Amendment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to provide that, before making any order to designate a type of dog for the purposes of section 1 or 2 of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991, the Secretary of State must carry out a public consultation and publish a comparative review of data showing the incidences of fatalities resulting from bites of dogs of that type in the last three years.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 89).

56 Arm's-Length Bodies (Review) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to require the Government to conduct a review of every Arm's-Length Body in existence on 4 July 2024 and to publish the results of those reviews within four years; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 14 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 90).

57 Exemption from Value Added Tax (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to exempt from Value Added Tax goods or services which are beneficial to the environment, to health and safety, to education or for charitable purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 28 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 91).

58 Mobile Homes Act 1983 (Amendment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to amend the Mobile Homes Act 1983; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 92).

59 Anonymity of Suspects Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to create an offence of disclosing the identity of a person who is the subject of an investigation in respect of the alleged commission of an offence; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 93).

60 Domestic Energy (Value Added Tax) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to exempt from VAT supplies of electricity, oil and gas for domestic purposes; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 94).

61 Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 (Amendment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to amend the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 to make provision about Parliamentary scrutiny of regulations made under that Act; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 14 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 95).

62 Caravan Site Licensing (Exemptions of Motor Homes) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to exempt motor homes from caravan site licensing requirements; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 28 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 96).

63 NHS England (Alternative Treatment) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to make provision about arranging alternative non-NHS England treatment for patients who have waited for more than one year for hospital treatment; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 6 December, and to be printed (Bill 97).

64 British Broadcasting Corporation (Privatisation) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to make provision for the privatisation of the British Broadcasting Corporation; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 98).

65 Children's Clothing (Value Added Tax) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to extend the definition of children's clothing for the purposes of exemption from VAT; to extend the VAT exemption to further categories of school uniform; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 99).

66 BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to de-criminalise the non-payment of the BBC licence fee by persons aged over seventy-five; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 7 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 100).

67 Regulatory Impact Assessments Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to require a Regulatory Impact Assessment to be published for all primary and secondary legislation introduced by the Government; to make provision for associated sanctions; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 4 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 101).

68 Rule of Law (Enforcement by Public Authorities) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to require public authorities to exercise their statutory powers to investigate and take enforcement action for breaches of the law; to make provision for sanctions for failing to take such action; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 11 July 2025, and to be printed (Bill 102).

69 Illegal Immigration (Offences) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to create offences in respect of persons who have entered the UK illegally or who have remained in the UK without legal authority; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 103).

70 National Health Service Co-Funding and Co-Payment Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to make provision for co-funding and for the extension of co-payment for NHS services in England; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May 2025, and to be printed (Bill 104).

71 Public Sector Exit Payments (Limitation) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to limit exit payments made by some public sector organisations to employees; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 13 June 2025, and to be printed (Bill 105).

72 Green Belt (Protection) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Sir Christopher Chope presented a Bill to establish a national register of Green Belt land in England; to restrict the ability of local authorities to de-designate Green Belt land; to make provision about future development of de-designated Green Belt land; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 20 June 2025, and to be printed (Bill 106).

73 Water (Agricultural Pollution) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Ellie Chowns presented a Bill to make provision to prevent, reduce and regulate agricultural pollution of water.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 14 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 108).

74 Employment Rights Bill: Second Reading

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Employment Rights Bill be now read a second time.

Amendment proposed, to leave out from 'That' to the end of the Question and add 'this House notes the balanced reforms made by previous Conservative governments to improve workers' rights, including the National Living Wage, the prohibition of the use of exclusivity clauses or terms in zero hours contracts and the introduction of shared parental leave and pay, and declines to give a Second Reading to the Employment Rights Bill because it has been rushed into Parliament without full consultation to meet an arbitrary 100-day deadline and has not been accompanied by an Impact Assessment considering the impact on the Employment Tribunal, especially as a result of the removal of the qualifying period for the right to claim unfair dismissal or the impact of the extra red tape on SMEs or the impact of establishing the Fair Work Agency; because the repeal of trade union laws will lead to more strikes and intimidation in the workplace, and will force taxpayers to foot the bill for inflation-busting pay hikes without public service reform; because the Bill undermines choice for workers about whether they want to fund political campaigning and forces firms and public bodies to bankroll more trade union facility time, including trade union diversity jobs; and because the Bill is contrary to the Government's stated goals of improving productivity and economic growth and will increase costs for businesses and consumers.'—(*Kevin Hollinrake.*)

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

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 22

Ayes: 105 (Tellers: Mike Wood, Greg Smith)

Noes: 386 (Tellers: Anna McMorris, Kate Dearden)

Question negatived.

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

The House divided.

Division No. 23

Ayes: 386 (Tellers: Anna McMorris, Kate Dearden)

Noes: 105 (Tellers: Mike Wood, Greg Smith)

Question agreed to and Bill read a second time.

75 Employment Rights Bill: Programme

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

Committal

(1) The Bill shall be committed to a Public Bill Committee.

Proceedings in Public Bill Committee

(2) Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion on Tuesday 21 January 2025.

(3) The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

Consideration and Third Reading

(4) Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which those proceedings are commenced.

(5) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.

(6) Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading.

Other proceedings

(7) Any other proceedings on the Bill may be programmed.—(Chris Elmore.)

Question agreed to.

76 Employment Rights Bill: Money

King's Recommendation signified.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 52(1)(a)), That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Employment Rights Bill, it is expedient to authorise:

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of:

(a) any expenditure incurred under or by virtue of the Act by a person holding office under His Majesty or by a government department, and

(b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided, and

(2) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(Chris Elmore.)

Question agreed to.

77 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Carbon Dioxide Transport and Storage (Determination of Turnover for Penalties) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 30 July, be approved.—(*Kate Dearden.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024, which was laid before this House on 2 September, be approved.—(*Kate Dearden.*)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 5 September, be approved.—(*Kate Dearden.*)

Question agreed to.

78 Backbench Business Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Wendy Morton be a member of the Backbench Business Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

79 Business and Trade Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Antonia Bance, John Cooper, Sarah Edwards, Sonia Kumar, Alison Griffiths, Gregor Poynton, Matt Western and Rosie Wrighting be members of the Business and Trade Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

80 Culture, Media and Sport Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Mr Bayo Alaba, Mims Davies, Mr James Frith, Dr Rupa Huq, Natasha Irons, Jo Platt, Tom Rutland and Paul Waugh be members of the Culture, Media and Sport Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

81 Defence Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Mr Calvin Bailey, Alex Baker, Lincoln Jopp, Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck, Jesse Norman, Michelle Scrogam, Fred Thomas and Derek Twigg be members of the Defence Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

82 Education Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Jess Asato, Mrs Sureena Brackenridge, Dr Caroline Johnson, Amanda Martin, Darren Paffey, Mark Sowards, Patrick Spencer and Dr Marie Tidball be members of the Education Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

83 Energy Security and Net Zero Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Sir Christopher Chope, Torcuil Crichton, Josh MacAlister, Luke Murphy, Ms Polly Billington, Anneliese Midgley, Ms Julie Minns and Bradley Thomas be members of the Energy Security and Net Zero Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

84 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Sarah Bool and Charlie Dewhurst be members of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

85 Foreign Affairs Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Aphra Brandreth, Dan Carden, Blair McDougall, Matthew Patrick, Claire Hazelgrove, Uma Kumaran, Abtisam Mohamed and Sir John Whittingdale be members of the Foreign Affairs Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

86 Health and Social Care Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Danny Beales, Ben Coleman, Dr Beccy Cooper, Deirdre Costigan, Jen Craft, Josh Fenton-Glynn, Paulette Hamilton, Gregory Stafford and Joe Robertson be members of the Health and Social Care Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

87 Home Affairs Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Shaun Davies, Robbie Moore, Chris Murray, Mr Connor Rand, Jake Richards, Margaret Mullane, Joani Reid and Bell Ribeiro-Addy be members of the Home Affairs Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

88 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Mike Amesbury, Lewis Cocking, Chris Curtis, Maya Ellis, Naushabah Khan, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Joe Powell and Sarah Smith be members of the Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

89 International Development Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Noah Law, Gordon McKee, Sam Rushworth, David Taylor, Laura Kyrke-Smith, Alice Macdonald, David Mundell and David Reed be members of the International Development Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

90 Justice Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Mr Alex Barros-Curtis, Pam Cox, Linsey Farnsworth, Sir Ashley Fox, Warinder Juss, Mrs Sarah Russell, Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst and Mike Tapp be members of the Justice Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

91 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Alicia Kearns and Jerome Mayhew be members of the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

92 Committee of Public Accounts: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Peter Fortune and Rebecca Paul be members of the Committee of Public Accounts.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

93 Science, Innovation and Technology Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Emily Darlington, George Freeman, Dr Allison Gardner, Kit Malthouse, Steve Race, Josh Simons, Dr Lauren Sullivan and Adam Thompson be members of the Science, Innovation and Technology Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

94 Scottish Affairs Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Harriet Cross and Jack Rankin be members of the Scottish Affairs Committee.—(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

95 Transport Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Katie Lam and Rebecca Smith be members of the Transport Committee.—*(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

96 Treasury Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Dame Harriett Baldwin, Rachel Blake, John Glen, Dame Siobhain McDonagh, Lola McEvoy, Lucy Rigby, Dr Jeevun Sandher and Yuan Yang be members of the Treasury Committee.—*(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

97 Work and Pensions Committee: Nomination of committee

Ordered, That Johanna Baxter, Neil Coyle, Damien Egan, Gill German, Amanda Hack and David Pinto-Duschinsky be members of the Work and Pensions Committee.—*(Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

98 Adjournment

*This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings related to Tuesday 22 October 2024.

Subject: Potential impact of the Deregulation Act 2015 on taxi licensing (Chris Vince)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—*(Kate Dearden.)*

Adjourned at 10.58 pm until tomorrow.

Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Papers Laid

Papers presented and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 18 October under Standing Orders No. 158 and No. 159

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Education

School Teachers' Pay and Conditions (England) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1037), dated 16 October 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Catherine McKinnell)

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 21 October

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

2 Climate Change

Draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Ed Miliband)

3 Medical Devices

Draft Medical Devices (Post-market Surveillance Requirements) (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Andrew Gwynne)

4 Medicines

Draft Human Medicines (Amendment) (Modular Manufacture and Point of Care) Regulations 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Karin Smyth)

Other papers

5 Armed Forces

Report and Accounts of Greenwich Hospital and Travers Foundation for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 290) (Secretary John Healey)

6 Industrial Development

Report by the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, the First Minister of Scotland, and the Welsh Ministers under the Industrial Development Act 1982 for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 246) (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)

7 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Nuclear Decommissioning Authority: Decommissioning Sellafield: managing risks from the nuclear legacy (by Act), to be printed (HC 233) (Clerk of the House)

8 Northern Ireland

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 277) (Secretary Hilary Benn)

9 Work and Pensions

Making Work Pay: Strengthening Statutory Sick Pay (by Command) (CP 1168) (Secretary Liz Kendall)