

Wednesday 20 November 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 Questions: (1) Police reform (Dame Diana Johnson)
 - (2) Asylum seekers: Hotel accommodation (Dame Angela Eagle)
- 3 Statement: Defence programmes (Secretary John Healey)
- 4 Terminal illness (relief of pain): 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 issue guidance about the application of the criminal law in respect of the administration of pain relief by healthcare professionals to people who are terminally ill; and for connected purposes;

That Sir Edward Leigh, Rachael Maskell, Sir John Hayes, Danny Kruger, Sir Christopher Chope, Sir Julian Lewis, Lincoln Jopp, Martin Vickers, Dame Meg Hillier, Saqib Bhatti, Helen Grant and Sir Roger Gale present the Bill.

Sir Edward Leigh accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 6 December, and to be printed (Bill 136).

5 Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill: Second Reading

Bill read a second time.

6 Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill: Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Financial Assistance to Ukraine 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 shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour 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 two 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.—(Anna McMorrin.)

Question agreed to.

7 Financial Assistance to Ukraine 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 Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required by the Treasury or Secretary of State for the purpose of providing loans or other financial assistance to, or for the benefit of, the government of Ukraine as a result of—

- (a) the arrangements described as the Extraordinary Revenue Acceleration Loans for Ukraine announced on 14 June 2024 at the G7 summit in Apulia in Italy, or
- (b) any subsequent arrangements that are supplemental to or modify or replace those arrangements.—(Anna McMorrin.)

Question agreed to.

8 Speaker's Committee for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority

Resolved, That Marie Goldman, Leigh Ingham, Gordon McKee, Charlotte Nichols and Jesse Norman be appointed to the Speaker's Committee for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority until the end of the present Parliament, in pursuance of paragraph 1(d) of Schedule 3 to the Parliamentary Standards Act 2009, as amended.—(Lucy Powell.)

9 House of Commons Members' Fund

Resolved, That Holly Lynch, Sir Charles Walker and Peter Grant be removed as Trustees of the House of Commons Members' Fund and Mark Tami, Chris Elmore and Dr Danny Chambers be appointed as Trustees in pursuance of section 2 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 2016.—(Lucy Powell.)

10 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Collective Investment Schemes (Temporary Recognition) and Central Counterparties (Transitional Provision) (Amendment) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 15 October, be approved.—(Anna McMorrin.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Insurance Distribution (Regulated Activities and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 24 October, be approved.—(Anna McMorrin.)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Alterations to the Search Powers Code for Northern Ireland) Order 2024, which was laid before this House on 15 October, be approved.—(Anna McMorrin.)

Question agreed to.

(4) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Communications Act 2003 (Disclosure of Information) Order 2024, which was laid before this House on 9 September, be approved.—(Anna McMorrin.)

Question agreed to.

11 Adjournment

Subject: Future of healthcare in Hampshire (Dr Danny Chambers)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Anna McMorrin.)

Adjourned at 6 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Explanatory Notes to Bills

12 Animal Welfare (Import of Dogs, Cats and Ferrets) Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 28–EN).

13 Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 62-EN).

14 Controlled Drugs (Procedure for Specification) Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 20-EN).

15 Unauthorised Entry to Football Matches Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 24–EN).

General Committees: Reports

16 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee

Carolyn Harris (Chair) reported the draft Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Act 2023 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024.

17 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Clive Betts (Chair) reported the draft Judicial Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 2024.

18 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

David Mundell (Chair) reported the draft Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (Amendment of Schedule A2) Order 2024.

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).

19 Employment Rights Bill Committee

Members: James Wild discharged and Sir Ashley Fox nominated in substitution.

20 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ombudsman Scheme) (Fees) Regulations 2024)

Members: Danny Beales, Sarah Bool, Daisy Cooper, Pam Cox, Jim Dickson, Mr Paul Foster, Daniel Francis, Mark Garnier, Sarah Gibson, Amanda Hack, Gregor Poynton, Mike Reader, Tulip Siddiq, Blake Stephenson, Alistair Strathern, Christian Wakeford and James Wild

21 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024)

Members: Dr Rosena Allin-Khan, Johanna Baxter, Andrew Bowie, Sam Carling, Sarah Dyke, Barry Gardiner, Andrew George, Ben Goldsborough, Kerry McCarthy, Chris McDonald, Alex Mayer, Jon Pearce, David Reed, Bradley Thomas, Nick Timothy, Dan Tomlinson and Anna Turley

22 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices (Post-market Surveillance Requirements) (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2024)

Members: Lee Barron, Alison Bennett, Matt Bishop, Jess Brown-Fuller, Ashley Dalton, Peter Dowd, Andrew Gwynne, Dr Caroline Johnson, Lincoln Jopp, Mary Kelly Foy, Taiwo Owatemi, Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst, Gregory Stafford, Adam Thompson, Dr Marie Tidball, Chris Vince and Chris Webb

23 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) Regulations 2024)

Members: Paula Barker, Aphra Brandreth, Jen Craft, Tim Farron, Emma Hardy, Dr Neil Hudson, Adam Jogee, Kevin McKenna, Andy MacNae, Jerome Mayhew, Tom Morrison, Kanishka Narayan, Ben Obese-Jecty, Joani Reid, Ms Marie Rimmer, Oliver Ryan and Jeff Smith

24 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2025)

Members: Jess Asato, Andrew Bowie, Wendy Chamberlain, John Cooper, Sarah Edwards, Peter Fortune, Lloyd Hatton, Christine Jardine, Gen Kitchen, Martin McCluskey, Katrina Murray, Darren Paffey, Rebecca Paul, Michael Payne, Jo Platt, Gareth Snell and Melanie Ward

25 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Aviation Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2024)

Members: James Asser, Lewis Cocking, Liam Conlon, Kate Dearden, Lauren Edwards, Tim Farron, Mike Kane, Mr Paul Kohler, Jerome Mayhew, Ms Julie Minns, Mr Richard Quigley, Shivani Raja, Jake Richards, Dave Robertson, Mr Andrew Snowden, Mike Tapp and Rosie Wrighting

26 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Human Medicines (Amendment) (Modular Manufacture and Point of Care) Regulations 2024)

Members: Richard Baker, Dr Danny Chambers, Ashley Dalton, Paulette Hamilton, Alison Hume, Dr Caroline Johnson, Naushabah Khan, Katie Lam, Brian Leishman, Helen Morgan,

Taiwo Owatemi, Dr Jeevun Sandher, Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst, David Smith, Karin Smyth, Patrick Spencer and Henry Tufnell

27 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Information Sharing (Disclosure by the Registrar) Regulations 2024)

Members: Mr Alex Barros-Curtis, Irene Campbell, Daisy Cooper, Charlie Dewhirst, Andrew Griffith, Alison Griffiths, Clive Jones, Preet Kaur Gill, Anna McMorrin, Justin Madders, Margaret Mullane, Lucy Rigby, Baggy Shanker, Josh Simons, Greg Smith, Fred Thomas and Tony Vaughan

28 Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging and Packaging Waste) Regulations 2024)

Members: Luke Akehurst, Dr Scott Arthur, Aphra Brandreth, Mr Jonathan Brash, Wendy Chamberlain, Mary Creagh, Tim Farron, Sir Ashley Fox, Dr Neil Hudson, Alice Macdonald, Lola McEvoy, Luke Myer, Kanishka Narayan, Tristan Osborne, Joe Robertson, Gurinder Singh Josan and Jeff Smith

Select Committees: Reports

29 Environmental Audit Committee

National Planning Policy Framework reforms and the environment: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 458) (Mr Toby Perkins).

30 Health and Social Care Committee

Independent investigation of the NHS in England: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 388) (Layla Moran).

31 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

- (1) Planning for 1.5 million new homes: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 432);
- (2) Children in temporary accommodation: Written evidence, to be published (HC 338);
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister of State for Local Government and English Devolution, the Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury, and the Minister for Early Education relating to the Non-Domestic Rating (Multiplier and Private Schools) Bill: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport relating to the National Youth Strategy: Written evidence, to be published

(Florence Eshalomi).

32 Procedure Committee

Correspondence with the Leader of the House relating to proxy voting: Written evidence, to be published (Cat Smith).

33 Scottish Affairs Committee

The work of the Department: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 410) (Patricia Ferguson).

34 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Sixth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 291-vi) (Sir Bernard Jenkin).

35 Women and Equalities Committee

Tackling non-consensual intimate image abuse: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 336) (Sarah Owen).

36 Work and Pensions Committee

Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions and the Secretary of State for Education relating to the Child Poverty Strategy: Written evidence, to be published (Debbie Abrahams).

Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

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

1 Employment support for blind and partially sighted people

Resolved, That this House has considered employment support for blind and partially sighted people.—(Marsha De Cordova.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.50 am and 11 am.

2 Global Plastics Treaty

Resolved, That this House has considered the Global Plastics Treaty.—(Dr Simon Opher.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.22 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Apprenticeships and T Levels

Resolved, That this House has considered apprenticeships and T Levels.—(Damian Hinds.)

4 Government and democracy education in schools

Resolved, That this House has considered government and democracy education in schools.—(John Slinger.)

5 Flood preparedness in Norfolk

Resolved, That this House has considered flood preparedness in Norfolk.—(Steff Aquarone.)

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

Adjourned at 5.30 pm until Monday 25 November.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Pensions

Occupational Pensions (Revaluation) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1174), dated 18 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Emma Reynolds)

Other papers

2 Environment

Report and Accounts of the Environment Agency for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 258) (Secretary Steve Reed)

3 Housing

Explanatory Memorandum to the Housing (Right to Buy) (Limits on Discount) (England) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1073) (by Command) (Matthew Pennycook)

4 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Cabinet Office: Managing conflicts of interest (by Act), to be printed (HC 307) (Clerk of the House)

5 Science, Innovation and Technology

Report and Financial Statements of Ordnance Survey Limited for 2023–24 (by Command) (CP 1188) (Feryal Clark)

Withdrawn papers

6 Housing

Explanatory Memorandum to the Housing (Right to Buy) (Limits on Discount) (England) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1073) (laid 30 October)