

Wednesday 27 November 2024

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
 - (2) the Prime Minister
- 2 Statements: (1) Stellantis Luton (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)
 - (2) Respect orders and anti-social behaviour (Dame Diana Johnson)
- 3 E-scooters (review and awareness): 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 commission and publish a review of the legislation and guidance relating to e-scooters; to place a duty on the Secretary of State to promote public awareness of legislation relating to the use of e-scooters; and for connected purposes;

That Jessica Morden, Gill German, Mr Alex Barros-Curtis, Catherine Fookes, Tonia Antoniazzi, Ruth Jones and Steve Witherden present the Bill.

Jessica Morden accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 14 March 2025, and to be printed (Bill 140).

4 Finance Bill: Second Reading

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Finance Bill be now read a second time.— (James Murray.)

Amendment proposed, to leave out from 'That' to the end of the Question and add 'this House declines to give the Finance Bill a Second Reading because it derives from the 2024 Autumn Budget which will lead to jobs being lost, curtailed investment and prices being raised; because the Finance Bill constitutes an assault on business by increasing taxes on investment; because it will reduce the competitiveness of the United Kingdom's tax regime; because it levies the first ever tax on educational choice and will increase pressure on state schools; because it will drive up rents by increasing tax on homeownership; because it will substantially increase the size of the state without a sustainable plan to fund it; and because it will reduce living standards, increase borrowing and debt, drive up inflation and interest rates, with the result that the OBR growth forecast for the Autumn Budget is lower than that accompanying the Spring Budget of the last Government.'.—

(Mel Stride.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 49

Ayes: 112 (Tellers: Greg Smith, Alicia Kearns)

Noes: 333 (Tellers: Vicky Foxcroft, Martin McCluskey)

Question negatived.

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

time.

The House divided.

Division No. 50

Ayes: 332 (Tellers: Vicky Foxcroft, Martin McCluskey)

Noes: 176 (Tellers: Greg Smith, Alicia Kearns)

Question agreed to and Bill read a second time.

5 Finance Bill: Programme

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

Committal

- (1) The following shall be committed to a Committee of the whole House—
- (a) Clauses 7 to 12 and Schedules 1 and 2 (capital gains tax rates and reliefs);
- (b) Clauses 15 to 18 and Schedule 3 (oil and gas);
- (c) Clauses 47 to 49 (value added tax on private school fees);
- (d) Clauses 50 to 53 (stamp duty land tax); and
- (e) any new Clauses or new Schedules relating to the subject matter of the Clauses and Schedules mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (d).
- (2) The remainder of the Bill shall be committed to a Public Bill Committee.

Proceedings in Committee of the whole House

- (3) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House shall be completed in two days.
- (4) The proceedings—
- (a) shall be taken on each of those days in the order shown in the first column of the following Table, and
- (b) shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the times specified in the second column of the Table.

Proceedings

Time for conclusion of proceedings

First day

Clause 7 and Schedule 1; Clauses 8 to 11 and Schedule 2; Clause 12; any new Clauses or new Schedules relating to the subject matter of those Clauses and those Schedules 3 hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the first day.

Clauses 15 to 18 and Schedule 3; any new Clauses or new Schedules relating to the subject matter of those Clauses and that Schedule 6 hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the first day.

Second day

Clauses 47 to 49; any new Clauses or new Schedules relating to the subject matter of those Clauses

3 hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the second day.

Clauses 50 to 53; any new Clauses or new Schedules relating to the subject matter of those Clauses

6 hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the second day.

Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee etc

- (5) Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion on Tuesday 4 February 2025.
- (6) The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.
- (7) When the provisions of the Bill considered, respectively, by the Committee of the whole House and by the Public Bill Committee have been reported to the House, the Bill shall be proceeded with as if it had been reported as a whole to the House from the Public Bill Committee.

Proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading

- (8) 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.
- (9) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.

Programming committee

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

Question agreed to.

6 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Medical Devices (Post-market Surveillance Requirements) (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 21 October, be approved.— (Christian Wakeford.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scotlish Ministers etc.) Order 2025, which was laid before this House on 28 October, be approved.—(Christian Wakeford.)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Aviation Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 23 October, be approved.—(Christian Wakeford.)

Question agreed to.

7 Adjournment

Subject: Sewage discharges in the South West (Ben Maguire)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Christian Wakeford.)

Adjourned at 7.49 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

8 Water (Special Measures) Bill [Lords]

The Lords have passed a Bill to make provision about the regulation, governance and special administration of water companies to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

9 Restoration and Renewal Programme Board

The Lords have considered the Commons message of 19 November, and note the names of the Members of the House of Commons appointed to the Board on 18 November; appoint Lord Greenhalgh as a member of the Restoration and Renewal Programme Board, in place of Lord Sherbourne of Didsbury; and agree with the Commons that Judith Cummins should be Chair of the Board.

First Reading and Printing of Lords Bills

10 Water (Special Measures) Bill [Lords]

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 141) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 141–EN).

Explanatory Notes to Bills

11 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 58-EN).

Changes to Notices Given

12 Carers and Care Workers Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 29 November, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 11 July 2025.

13 Bus Services Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 29 November, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 11 July 2025.

General Committees: Reports

14 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Clive Betts (Chair) reported the draft Human Medicines (Amendment) (Modular Manufacture and Point of Care) Regulations 2024.

15 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee

Dame Siobhain McDonagh (Chair) reported the draft Information Sharing (Disclosure by the Registrar) Regulations 2024.

16 Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mark Pritchard (Chair) reported the draft Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging and Packaging Waste) Regulations 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).

17 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Scottish Rates of Income Tax (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024)

Members: Lewis Atkinson, Mr Luke Charters, Daisy Cooper, Dr Luke Evans, Clive Jones, Rachael Maskell, Abtisam Mohamed, Rebecca Paul, Yasmin Qureshi, Mrs Sarah Russell, Tulip Siddiq, Blake Stephenson, Elaine Stewart, Christian Wakeford, Imogen Walker, Jo White and James Wild

18 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships (Protection and Disclosure of Information and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024)

Members: Mr Bayo Alaba, David Baines, Dame Harriett Baldwin, Juliet Campbell, Bambos Charalambous, Daisy Cooper, Deirdre Costigan, Mr Richard Holden, Claire Hughes, Clive Jones, Gerald Jones, Sonia Kumar, Ian Lavery, Sarah Smith, Patrick Spencer, Graham Stuart and Gareth Thomas

19 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Contracts for Difference (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024)

Members: Andrew Bowie, Mrs Sureena Brackenridge, Markus Campbell-Savours, Pam Cox, Harriet Cross, Emily Darlington, Miatta Fahnbulleh, Tim Farron, Natalie Fleet, Fabian Hamilton, Afzal Khan, Seamus Logan, Mike Martin, Bradley Thomas, Anna Turley, Katie White and Yuan Yang

20 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Movement of Goods (Northern Ireland to Great Britain) (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Transitory Provision and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024)

Members: Lorraine Beavers, Chris Bloore, Aphra Brandreth, Tom Collins, Tim Farron, Dr Allison Gardner, Mary Glindon, Sarah Hall, Dr Neil Hudson, Mr Angus MacDonald, Kanishka Narayan, Jeff Smith, Sammy Wilson, Mike Wood, Sean Woodcock, Mohammad Yasin and Daniel Zeichner

21 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Home Detention Curfew and Requisite and Minimum Custodial Periods (Amendment) Order 2024)

Members: Jas Athwal, Josh Babarinde, Chris Curtis, Sir Nicholas Dakin, Marsha De Cordova, Patricia Ferguson, Anna Gelderd, Tracy Gilbert, Sally Jameson, Dr Kieran Mullan, Jack Rankin, Sir Alec Shelbrooke, Lisa Smart, Dan Tomlinson, Christian Wakeford, Mike Wood and Steve Yemm

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

Members: Kanisha Narayan discharged and Josh Simons nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

23 Business and Trade Committee

Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to Stellantis and the zero emissions vehicle mandate: Written evidence, to be published (Liam Byrne).

24 Culture, Media and Sport Committee

Creative artists in Afghanistan: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 329) (Dame Caroline Dinenage).

25 Environmental Audit Committee

- (1) Delivering the Government's climate targets: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 493);
- (2) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero relating to the Government Response to the Committee's Report on Enabling sustainable electrification of the economy: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr Toby Perkins).

26 Foreign Affairs Committee

- (1) Work of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 385);
- (2) Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to responsibilities for UK-EU relations across Government: Written evidence, to be published

(Emily Thornberry).

27 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

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

28 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 294-iii) (Sir Bernard Jenkin).

29 Treasury Committee

Work of HM Revenue and Customs: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 416) (Dame Meg Hillier).

30 Welsh Affairs Committee

- (1) The impact of the Budget on Wales: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 440);
- (2) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport: Written evidence, to be published

(Ruth Jones).

31 Women and Equalities Committee

Equality at work: Miscarriage and bereavement leave: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 335) (Sarah Owen).

32 Work and Pensions Committee

- (1) Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the Get Britain Working White Paper: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) The work of the Department for Work and Pensions: Written evidence, to be published (HC 344)

(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 UK air and missile defences

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered UK air and missile defences.—(Luke Akehurst.)

At 11 am, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

2 Potential merits of a devolution deal for Lancashire

Resolved, That this House has considered the potential merits of a devolution deal for Lancashire.—(Cat Smith.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.29 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Tackling violence against women and girls

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the matter of tackling violence against women and girls.—(Apsana Begum.)

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 the matter of tackling violence against women and girls.

4 Railway connectivity between Witney, Carterton, Eynsham and Oxford

Resolved, That this House has considered railway connectivity between Witney, Carterton, Eynsham and Oxford.—(*Charlie Maynard*.)

5 World AIDS Day

Resolved, That this House has considered World AIDS Day.—(Danny Beales.) Sitting adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

Adjourned at 5.30 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Agriculture

Rural Development and Farming Advice Service (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1221), dated 26 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Steve Reed)

2 Housing

Allocation of Housing (Qualification Criteria for Armed Forces) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1225), dated 26 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Matthew Pennycook)

3 Immigration

Immigration and Police (Passenger, Crew and Service Information) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1227), dated 26 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

4 Prisons

Prison and Young Offender Institution (Interception of Communications) (Amendment) Rules 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1217), dated 21 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

Other papers

5 Social Security Administration

Account of the Great Britain National Insurance Fund for the year ended 31 March 2024, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 312) (Clerk of the House)

6 Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland)

Account of the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund for the year ended 31 March 2024, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 316) (Clerk of the House)

7 Social Security

- (1) Explanatory Memorandum to the State Pension Debits and Credits (Revaluation) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1208) (by Command) (Emma Reynolds)
- (2) Explanatory Memorandum to the State Pension Revaluation for Transitional Pensions Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1209) (by Command) (Emma Reynolds)

Withdrawn papers

8 Social Security

- (1) Explanatory Memorandum to the State Pension Debits and Credits (Revaluation) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1208) (laid 25 November)
- (2) Explanatory Memorandum to the State Pension Revaluation for Transitional Pensions Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1209) (laid 25 November)

MEMORANDUM

POLITICAL PARTIES, ELECTIONS AND REFERENDUMS ACT 2000

The Prime Minister has appointed to the committee known as the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, established by section 2(1) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000, Jim McMahon to serve on the committee pursuant to section 2(3) of the Act, and Rushanara Ali to carry out concurrently the functions of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on the committee pursuant to section 2(2A)(b) of the Act.

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

(Variations to existing arrangements appear in **bold**.)

Member From To Proxy

Ms Diane Abbott 28 November 27 June 2025 Bell Ribeiro-Addy