



# House of Commons

Friday 14 March 2025

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 9.30 am.

**1 The Speaker's Absence**

Judith Cummins, the First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table (Standing Order No. 3).

Prayers

**2 Deputy Speaker in the Chair**

Judith Cummins, the First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker (Standing Order No. 3).

**3 Motion to sit in private**

Shaun Davies moved, That the House sit in private.

Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 163).

Question negatived.

**4 Rare Cancers Bill: Second Reading**

Bill read a second time and stood committed to a public bill committee (Standing Order No. 63(1)).

**5 Free School Meals (Automatic Registration of Eligible Children) Bill: Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Free School Meals (Automatic Registration of Eligible Children) Bill be now read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the debate be now adjourned.—(*Christian Wakeford*.)

Debate to be resumed on Friday 11 July.

**6 Arm's-Length Bodies (Accountability to Parliament) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Arm's-Length Bodies (Accountability to Parliament) Bill be now read a second time.

At 2.30 pm proceedings were interrupted (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**7 Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**8 Debt Relief (Developing Countries) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Debt Relief (Developing Countries) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

**9 Arms Trade (Inquiry and Suspension) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Arms Trade (Inquiry and Suspension) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 16 May.

**10 Pension (Special Rules for End of Life) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Pension (Special Rules for End of Life) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 April.

**11 Treatment of Terminal Illness Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Treatment of Terminal Illness Bill be now read a second time.

**12 Heritage Public Houses Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Heritage Public Houses Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 April.

**13 Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**14 Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**15 Domestic Energy (Value Added Tax) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Domestic Energy (Value Added Tax) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**16 BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**17 Quantitative Easing (Prohibition) Bill: Second Reading**

Order for Second Reading on this day, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**18 Pets (Microchips) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Pets (Microchips) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**19 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Payments Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Payments Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**20 Anonymity of Suspects Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Anonymity of Suspects Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**21 Children's Clothing (Value Added Tax) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Children's Clothing (Value Added Tax) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**22 Highways Act 1980 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Highways Act 1980 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**23 British Broadcasting Corporation (Privatisation) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the British Broadcasting Corporation (Privatisation) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**24 Illegal Immigration (Offences) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Illegal Immigration (Offences) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**25 Vaccine Damage Payments Act (Review) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Vaccine Damage Payments Act (Review) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**26 NHS England (Alternative Treatment) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the NHS England (Alternative Treatment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**27 Terminal Illness (Relief of Pain) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Terminal Illness (Relief of Pain) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**28 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**29 Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**30 Mobile Homes Act 1983 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Mobile Homes Act 1983 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**31 Sentencing Council (Powers of Secretary of State) Bill: Second Reading**

Order read, That the Sentencing Council (Powers of Secretary of State) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 March.

**32 Adjournment**

Subject: Impact of inflation on HS2 mitigation projects (Greg Smith)

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

Adjourned at 2.55 pm until Monday 17 March.

## Other Proceedings

### *Select Committees: Reports*

#### **33 International Development Committee**

*Correspondence with the Minister of State for International Development relating to preparations for the reduction in UK Official Development Assistance (ODA):* Written evidence, to be published (*Sarah Champion*).

*Ms Nusrat Ghani*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

### Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

#### **1 Retained EU Law Reform**

Draft Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*Secretary Heidi Alexander*)

### Papers subject to Negative Resolution

#### **2 Social Security**

Social Security Contributions (Decisions and Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 350), dated 13 March 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*James Murray*)

### Other papers

#### **3 Immigration**

(1) Explanatory Memorandum and Economic Note to the Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1313) (by Command) (*Yvette Cooper*)

(2) Explanatory Memorandum to the Immigration (Biometric Registration) (Civil Penalty Code of Practice) Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 262) (by Command) (*Yvette Cooper*)

#### **4 Pensions**

Pensions Increase (Review) Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 343), dated 13 March 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*Darren Jones*)

**5 Terms and Conditions of Employment**

Employment Rights (Increase of Limits) Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 348), dated 13 March 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Justin Madders)

Withdrawn papers

**6 Immigration**

(1) Explanatory Memorandum and Economic Note to the Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1313) (laid 11 December 2024)

(2) Explanatory Memorandum to the Immigration (Biometric Registration) (Civil Penalty Code of Practice) Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 262) (laid 6 March)