

Wednesday 7 May 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Minister for Women and Equalities
 - (2) the Prime Minister
- 2 Urgent Question: Implications of US tariffs on the UK film industry (Chris Bryant)
- 3 Statement: India and Pakistan: Escalation (Mr Hamish Falconer)
- 4 Victims and Courts Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Secretary Shabana Mahmood, supported by the Prime Minister, Secretary Yvette Cooper, Secretary Angela Rayner, Secretary Liz Kendall, Secretary John Healey and Secretary Peter Kyle, presented a Bill to make provision about the experience of victims within the criminal justice system; about the functions of the Commissioner for Victims and Witnesses; and about procedure and the administration of criminal justice.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 233) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 233–EN).

5 Immigration and Visas Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Chris Philp, supported by Matt Vickers, Katie Lam, Harriet Cross, Sarah Bool, Nick Timothy, Jack Rankin and Sir Ashley Fox, presented a Bill to make provision about the disapplication of the Human Rights Act 1998 in relation to immigration law; to make provision about certain immigration statuses; to require the Secretary of State to set an annual limit on the number of people entering the United Kingdom through nonvisitor visa routes; to make provision about the removal from the United Kingdom of certain persons including foreign national offenders; to create exemptions from the Data Protection Act 2018 provisions relating to illegal migration; to make provision

about age assessments for immigration law purposes; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May, and to be printed (Bill 234).

6 Assets of community value (sports facilities): 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 Localism Act 2011 to provide for automatic designation of sports facilities as Assets of Community Value; and for connected purposes;

That Emma Foody, Michael Wheeler, Chris Vince, Sally Jameson, Anneliese Midgley, Dame Karen Bradley, Ellie Chowns, Joe Morris, Gareth Snell, Andrew Pakes and Alex Sobel present the Bill.

Emma Foody accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 May, and to be printed (Bill 232).

7 Data (Use and Access) Bill [Lords]: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee

New Clause NC16—(*Chris Bryant*)—brought up, and read the first time.

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

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

As it was one hour before the moment of interruption, the debate was interrupted (Programme Order, 12 February).

The Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on Consideration to a conclusion (Programme Order, 12 February).

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

(1) That New Clause NC16 be read a second time (Question already proposed from the Chair).

Question agreed to.

(2) That New Clause NC16 be added to the Bill (Question necessary to bring to a decision a question already proposed from the Chair).

Question agreed to.

(3) That New Clause NC17 be added to the Bill (Question on any new clause moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Chris Bryant.*)

Question agreed to.

(4) That New Clause NC1 be added to the Bill (Question on any new clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(Victoria Collins.)

The House divided.

Division No. 187

Ayes: 76 (Tellers: Susan Murray, Tessa Munt)

Noes: 295 (Tellers: Gen Kitchen, Anna

McMorrin)

Question negatived.

(5) That New Clause NC2 be added to the Bill (Question on any new clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Victoria Collins.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 188

Ayes: 88 (Tellers: Tessa Munt, Susan Murray)

Noes: 287 (Tellers: Anna McMorrin, Gen

Kitchen)

Question negatived.

(6) That New Clause NC19 be added to the Bill (Question on any new clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Dr Ben Spencer.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 189

Ayes: 160 (Tellers: Jerome Mayhew, Ben Obese-Jecty)

Noes: 294 (Tellers: Gen Kitchen, Anna McMorrin)

Question negatived.

(7) That New Clause NC21 be added to the Bill (Question on any new clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Dr Ben Spencer.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 190

Ayes: 97 (Tellers: Ben Obese-Jecty, Jerome

Mayhew)

Noes: 363 (Tellers: Gen Kitchen, Anna McMorrin)

Question negatived.

(8) That Amendments 11 to 32, 1 to 8 and 33 to 36 be made (single Question on remaining Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(Chris Bryant.)

Question agreed to.

Title accordingly amended, as follows:
A bill to make provision about access to customer data and business data; to make provision about services consisting of the use of information to ascertain and verify facts about individuals; to make provision about the recording and sharing, and keeping of registers, of information relating to apparatus in streets; to make provision about the keeping and maintenance of registers of births and deaths; to make provision for the regulation of the processing of information relating to identified or identifiable living individuals;

to make provision about privacy and electronic communications; to establish the Information Commission; to make provision about information standards for health and social care; to make provision about the grant of smart meter communication licences; to make provision about the disclosure of information to improve public service delivery; to make provision about the retention of information by providers of internet services in connection with investigations into child deaths; to make provision about providing information for purposes related to the carrying out of independent research into online safety matters; to make provision about the retention of biometric data; to make provision about services for the provision of electronic signatures, electronic seals and other trust services; to make provision about works protected by copyright and the development of artificial intelligence systems; to make provision about the creation and solicitation of purported intimate images; and for connected purposes.

Consideration completed.

8 Data (Use and Access) Bill [Lords]: Third Reading

Bill read the third time and passed with Amendments.

9 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Amendment, Surrender and Compensation) (England and Wales) Order 2025, which was laid before this House on 27 March, be approved.—(Gerald Jones.)

Question agreed to.

10Adjournment

Subject: Havering Borough and Essex devolution (Andrew Rosindell)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Gerald Jones.)

At 7 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.— (Gerald Jones.)

Adjourned at 7.23 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

11First Delegated Legislation Committee

Carolyn Harris (Chair) reported the draft Finance Act 2021 (Increase in Schedule 26 Penalty Percentages) Regulations 2025.

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).

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

Members: Sadik Al-Hassan, Johanna Baxter, Bob Blackman, Aphra Brandreth, Irene Campbell, Dr Danny Chambers, Sarah Champion, Paul Davies, Cat Eccles, Emma Foody, Dr Neil Hudson, Ruth Jones, Kanishka Narayan, Rebecca Paul, Michelle Scrogham, Vikki Slade and Daniel Zeichner

13Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [Lords] Committee

Members: Dame Harriett Baldwin, Markus Campbell-Savours, Sarah Gibson, Alison Griffiths, Mr Richard Holden, Claire Hughes, Clive Jones, Chris Kane, Uma Kumaran, Anna McMorrin, Justin Madders, Anneliese Midgley, Adam Thompson, Laurence Turner, Michael Wheeler, Mike Wood and Yuan Yang

14First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices and Blood Safety and Quality (Fees Amendment) Regulations 2025)

Members: Dr Zubir Ahmed, Antonia Bance, Alison Bennett, Jess Brown-Fuller, Sam

Carling, Mary Glindon, Damian Hinds, Natasha Irons, Adam Jogee, Dr Caroline Johnson, Brian Leishman, Taiwo Owatemi, Mark Sewards, Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst, Karin Smyth, Gregory Stafford and Steve Witherden

15Second Delegated Legislation Committee (The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 507))

Members: Jas Athwal, Lewis Atkinson, Lorraine Beavers, Samantha Dixon, Stephen Doughty, Sarah Edwards, Maya Ellis, Alan Gemmell, John Glen, Lincoln Jopp, James MacCleary, Edward Morello, Wendy Morton, Andrew Pakes, Tom Rutland, Sarah Smith and Mr Andrew Snowden

16Third Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft National Security Act 2023 (Foreign
Activities and Foreign Influence Registration
Scheme: Exemptions for Certain Foreign
Power Investment Funds, Education,
Government Administration and Public
Bodies) Regulations 2025, draft National
Security Act 2023 (Foreign Activities
and Foreign Influence Registration

Scheme: Publication) Regulations 2025, draft National Security Act 2023 (Foreign Activities and Foreign Influence Registration Scheme: Specified Persons) (Iran) Regulations 2025 and draft National Security Act 2023 (Foreign Activities and Foreign Influence Registration Scheme: Specified Persons) (Russia) Regulations 2025)

Members: Mr Bayo Alaba, Sarah Bool, Jade Botterill, Jim Dickson, Mr Richard Holden, Alison Hume, Dan Jarvis, Kim Johnson, Katie Lam, Noah Law, Keir Mather, Dr Andrew Murrison, Mr Connor Rand, Lisa Smart, Alison Taylor, Luke Taylor and Dr Marie Tidball

17Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Pension Fund Clearing Obligation Exemption (Amendment) Regulations 2025)

Members: Mr Jonathan Brash, Richard Burgon, Daisy Cooper, Steve Darling, Marsha De Cordova, Mark Garnier, Jodie Gosling, Sarah Hall, Sir Jeremy Hunt, Tristan Osborne, Michael Payne, Emma Reynolds, Blake Stephenson, Alistair Strathern, Jon Trickett, Christian Wakeford and James Wild

Select Committees: Reports

18Business and Trade Committee

- (1) *UK economic security*: Oral and written evidence taken before the Sub-Committee, to be published (HC 835);
- (2) Correspondence from the Chief Operating Officer for the Department relating to the 2024–25 Annual Report and Accounts: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Services, Small Business and Exports: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence with the Secretary of State: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Export led growth: Written evidence, to be published (HC 649)

(Liam Byrne).

19Culture, Media and Sport Committee

Pre-appointment hearing for the Chair of the Independent Football Regulator:

(i) Second Report, with Appendices, to be

printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 694);

(ii) Oral evidence, to be published (HC 694)

(Dame Caroline Dinenage).

20Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

- (1) Tidal power and the Severn: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 816);
- (2) Correspondence from the Department: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) The cost of energy: Written evidence, to be published (HC 736);
- (4) Workforce planning to deliver clean, secure energy: Written evidence, to be published (HC 393)
- (Bill Esterson).

21Environmental Audit Committee

(1) Environmental sustainability and housing growth: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 439);

(2) Governing the marine environment: Written evidence, to be published (HC 551) (Mr Toby Perkins).

22Health and Social Care Committee

*This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings relating to Wednesday 14 May 2025.

The First 1000 Days: A renewed focus: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 802) (Paulette Hamilton).

23Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

- (1) The funding and sustainability of local government finance: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 514);
- (2) Correspondence with the Minister of State for Local Government and English Devolution relating to industrial action in Birmingham: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) Delivering 1.5 million new homes: Land value capture: Written evidence, to be published (HC 672)

(Florence Eshalomi).

24Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

- (1) Accountability for Daesh crimes: Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 612);
- (2) Forced labour in UK supply chains: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 633);
- (3) Attorney General: Written evidence, to be published (HC 817);
- (4) Correspondence from the Minister of State for Data Protection and Telecoms relating to the Data (Use and Access) Bill [Lords]: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Mental Health Bill*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 601)
- (Sir Desmond Swayne).

25Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

The Government's new approach to addressing the legacy of the past in Northern Ireland: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 586) (Tonia Antoniazzi).

26Procedure Committee

- (1) Written parliamentary questions: Departmental performance in Session 2024–25: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 828);
- (2) Status of independent Members of Parliament: Written evidence, to be published (HC 534)

(Cat Smith).

27Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Public bodies: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 553) (Simon Hoare).

28Scottish Affairs Committee

(1) Problem drug use in Scotland follow-up: Glasgow's Safer Drug Consumption Facility:

Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 630);

(2) *Industrial transition in Scotland*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 729)

(Patricia Ferguson).

29Speaker's Conference

Speaker's Conference on the security of candidates, MPs and elections: Written evidence, to be published (HC 570) (The Speaker).

30Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Twenty-third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 291-xxiii) (Sir Bernard Jenkin).

31Transport Committee

Rail investment pipelines: Ending boom and bust: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 575) (Ruth Cadbury).

32Treasury Committee

(1) AI in financial services: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 684);

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

33Women and Equalities Committee

- (1) Female entrepreneurship: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 711);
- (2) Correspondence from the Equality and Human Rights Commission relating to its code of practice: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Health impacts of breast implants and other cosmetic procedures: Written evidence, to be published (HC 869);
- (4) Tackling non-consensual intimate image abuse: Written evidence, to be published (HC 336)

(Sarah Owen).

34Work and Pensions Committee

(1) Get Britain Working: Pathways to Work: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 837);

- (2) Get Britain Working: Reforming Jobcentres: Written evidence, to be published (HC 653);
- (3) *Pensions dashboards*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 742)

(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 Government support for employment in the automotive manufacturing sector

Resolved, That this House has considered Government support for employment in the automotive manufacturing sector.—(Rebecca Paul.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.28 am and 11 am.

2 Development of new nuclear projects at Wylfa

Resolved, That this House has considered the development of new nuclear projects at Wylfa.—(Llinos Medi.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.28 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1) (b)).

3 Personal Independence Payment and disabled people

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered Personal Independence Payment and disabled people.—(*Ms Diane Abbott.*)

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 Personal Independence Payment and disabled people.

4 Barriers to defence sector financing

Resolved, That this House has considered barriers to defence sector financing.—
(Mr Luke Charters.)

5 Tackling barriers to educational opportunities in semi-rural areas

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the matter of tackling barriers to educational opportunities in semi-rural areas.—(Josh Dean.)

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 barriers to educational opportunities in semi-rural areas.

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

Adjourned at 5.28 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Police

Police (Conduct, Performance and Complaints and Misconduct) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 558), dated 6 May 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

Other papers

2 Energy

Explanatory Memorandum to the Oil and Gas Authority (Carbon Storage) (Retention of Information and Samples) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 498) (by Command) (Secretary Ed Miliband)

3 Law Commission

Report on the implementation of Law Commission recommendations (by Act),

to be printed (HC 850) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

4 Reserve Forces

Report under section 56(7) of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 on the renewal of call-out orders in respect of countering state threats and providing support and assistance to partner nations in Europe (by Act) (Luke Pollard)

Withdrawn papers

5 Energy

Explanatory Memorandum to the Oil and Gas Authority (Carbon Storage) (Retention of Information and Samples) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 498) (laid 22 April)

CORRECTION

Tuesday 29 April 2025

The following item should have appeared after item 24 (Select Committees: Reports):

Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) Adult Social Care Reform: the cost of inaction:
 - (i) Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the report (HC 368);
 - (ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 368);
- (2) Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Public Health and Prevention relating to the call for evidence on the men's health strategy: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Gambling-related harms: Written evidence, to be published (HC 804);
- (4) The 10 Year Health Plan: Written evidence, to be published (HC 386) (Layla Moran).