



House of Commons

Monday 8 September 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

- 1 Speaker's Statement: World Conference of Speakers and Meeting of Speakers of G7 countries
- 2 Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence
- 3 Speaker's Statement: Waiver of sub judice rule (Judicial Review of proscription of Palestine Action)
- 4 Urgent Questions: (1) Palestine Action: Proscription and protests (Dan Jarvis)
(2) Omar al-Bayoumi: Arrest and extradition (Dan Jarvis)
- 5 Statement: Defence Industrial Strategy (Luke Pollard)
- 6 Renters' Rights Bill: Programme (No. 2)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Renters' Rights Bill for the purpose of supplementing the Order of 9 October 2024 (Renters' Rights Bill: Programme):

Consideration of Lords Amendments

- (1) Proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion four hours after their commencement.
- (2) The Lords Amendments shall be considered in the following order: 11, 14, 18, 19, 26, 27, 39, 53, 55 to 62, 64, 67, 1 to 10, 12 and 13, 15 to 17, 20 to 25, 28 to 38, 40 to 52, 54, 63, 65 and 66, 68 to 77.

Subsequent stages

- (3) Any further Message from the Lords may be considered forthwith without any Question being put.
- (4) Proceedings on any further Message from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement.—
(Sir Nicholas Dakin.)

Question agreed to.

- 7 Renters' Rights Bill: Consideration of Lords Amendments

The Deputy Speaker announced that Lords Amendments 39 and 68 engaged financial privilege.

Lords Amendment 11

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 11.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 279

Ayes: 398 (Tellers: Gen Kitchen, Christian Wakeford)

Noes: 93 (Tellers: Jerome Mayhew, Paul Holmes)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 11 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 14 disagreed to.

Amendment (a) made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 14.

Lords Amendment 18

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 18.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 280

Ayes: 402 (Tellers: Christian Wakeford, Gen Kitchen)

Noes: 97 (Tellers: Paul Holmes, Jerome Mayhew)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 18 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 19

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 19.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 281

Ayes: 336 (Tellers: Christian Wakeford, Gen Kitchen)

Noes: 158 (Tellers: Jerome Mayhew, Paul Holmes)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 19 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 26

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 26.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 282

Ayes: 404 (Tellers: Christian Wakeford, Gen Kitchen)

Noes: 98 (Tellers: Paul Holmes, Jerome Mayhew)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 26 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 27 disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 39

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 39.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 283

Ayes: 325 (Tellers: Christian Wakeford, Gen Kitchen)

Noes: 171 (Tellers: Mike Wood, David Simmonds)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 39 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 53

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 53.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 284

Ayes: 401 (Tellers: Taiwo Owatemi, Gen Kitchen)

Noes: 96 (Tellers: Mike Wood, David Simmonds)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 53 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendments 55 to 62 disagreed to.

Amendment (a) made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendments 55 to 62.

Lords Amendment 64

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 64.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 285

Ayes: 335 (Tellers: Christian Wakeford, Gen Kitchen)

Noes: 160 (Tellers: Mike Wood, David Simmonds)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 64 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 67 disagreed to.

Amendment (a) made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 67.

Lords Amendments 1 to 10, 12, 13, 15 to 17, 20 to 25, 28 to 38, 40 to 52, 54, 63, 65 and 66 and 68 to 77 agreed to, with Commons privilege waived in respect of Lords Amendment 68.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83H(2)), That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments 11, 18 and 19, 26 and 27, 39, 53 and 64.

That Gideon Amos, Rachel Blake, Sir James Cleverly, Gen Kitchen, Matthew Pennycook, Harpreet Uppal and Michael Wheeler be members of the Committee;

That Mathew Pennycook be the Chair of the Committee;

That three be the quorum of the Committee;

That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(*Deirdre Costigan*.)

Question agreed to.

8 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of North Yorkshire relating to disabled bus passes during peak hours was presented and read by Tom Gordon.

9 Adjournment

Subject: Government support for remote coastal communities (Perran Moon)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Deirdre Costigan*.)

At 10 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Deirdre Costigan*.)

Adjourned at 10.13 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

10 Managing Agents (Regulation) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 12 September, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 16 January 2026.

11 Controlled Drugs (Procedure for Specification) Bill

Order for further Consideration of Bill, not amended in the Public Bill Committee, on Friday 12 September, read and discharged.

Bill to be further considered on Friday 31 October.

Reasons Committees: Reports

12 Renters' Rights Bill: Reasons Committee

Matthew Pennycook reported that the Committee had agreed the following Reasons:

Lords Amendment 11

Because the usual tenant's deposit can cover pet damage, so a specific additional deposit is unnecessary.

Lords Amendment 18

Because it is not appropriate for the restricted period (when re-letting is not permitted) to be reduced below 12 months.

Lords Amendment 19

Because it is not appropriate for new sections 16E and 16F to be disappledied in relation to shared ownership leaseholders.

Lords Amendment 26

Because the criminal standard of proof is not practical for the imposition of a financial penalty under Clause 42.

Lords Amendment 27

Because the criminal standard of proof is not practical for the imposition of a financial penalty under Clause 59.

Lords Amendment 39

Because it involves charges to public funds, and the Commons do not offer any further Reason, trusting that this Reason may be deemed sufficient.

Lords Amendment 53

Because there is insufficient justification to extend ground 4A beyond student house-shares.

Lords Amendment 64

Because there is insufficient justification for enabling possession to be sought to accommodate carers.

General Committees: Reports

13 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Graham Stringer (Chair) reported the draft Markets in Financial Instruments (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025 and the draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Capital Buffers and Macro-prudential Measures) (Consequential Amendments) 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).

14 Pension Schemes Bill Committee

Members: Gerald Jones discharged and Taiwo Owatemi nominated in substitution.

15 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Markets in Financial Instruments (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025 and the Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Capital Buffers and Macro-prudential Measures) (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2025)

Members: James Naish, Emma Reynolds and Alex Sobel discharged and Jade Botterill, Daniel Francis and James Murray nominated in substitution.

16 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Data Protection Act 2018 (Qualifying Competent Authorities) Regulations 2025)

Members: Dan Jarvis discharged and Sarah Jones nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

17 Business and Trade Committee

- (1) *Industrial Strategy*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 727);
- (2) *Make Work Pay: Employment Rights Bill*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 370) (Liam Byrne).

18 Foreign Affairs Committee

- (1) *The UK–EU reset: Rebuilding a strategic partnership in uncertain times*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 857);
- (2) *The Chagos Agreement*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1097) (Emily Thornberry).

19 National Security Strategy (Joint Committee on)

- (1) *Defending Democracy*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 720);
- (2) *The National Security Strategy*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1045);
- (3) *Undersea cables*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 723) (Matt Western).

20 Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) *First Annual Report of the Chair of the Committee of Public Accounts*: Forty-seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1300);
- (2) *The UK's F-35 stealth fighter capability*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1232);
- (3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Energy at the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero relating to the Sizewell C nuclear power station project*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *NHS financial sustainability*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 350);
- (5) *Reducing NHS waiting times for elective care*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 820)

(Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

Sir Lindsay Hoyle
Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 4.30 pm.

Debate on e-petitions (Standing Orders No. 10(1)(a) and No. 145A(7))

1 Qualifying period for indefinite leave to remain

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petitions 727360 and 727356 relating to the qualifying period for indefinite leave to remain.—(Ben Goldsborough.)

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

Adjourned at 7.28 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers presented and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 5 September under Standing Orders No. 158 and No. 159

Papers laid under paragraph 6 of Schedule 5 to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023

1 Retained EU Law Reform

Proposal for an instrument titled Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Heidi Alexander)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Ecclesiastical Law

(1) Church Representation Rules (Amendment) (No. 1) Resolution 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 994), dated 14 July 2025 (by Measure) (Clerk of the House)

(2) Church Representation Rules (Amendment) (No. 2) Resolution 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 995), dated 15 July 2025 (by Measure) (Clerk of the House)

(3) Legal Officers (Annual Fees) (No. 2) Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 992), dated 14 June 2025 (by Measure) (Clerk of the House)

Withdrawn papers

3 Retained EU Law Reform

Proposal for an instrument titled Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025, with an Explanatory Memorandum (laid 2 September)

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 8 September

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

4 Transport

Draft Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (Definition of Relevant Land) (Amendment) Order 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Heidi Alexander)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

5 Criminal Law

Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (Designated Sites under Section 128) (Amendment) Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 998), dated 4 September 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

Other papers

6 Defence

Defence Industrial Strategy: Making Defence an Engine for Growth (by Command) (CP 1388) (Secretary John Healey)

7 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Defence: Investigation into the management of contracts by the Ministry of Defence on behalf of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (by Act), to be printed (HC 1289) (Clerk of the House)

8 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of Bradford District Care NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(2) Report and Accounts of Dorset Healthcare University NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(3) Report and Accounts of Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(4) Report and Accounts of Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(5) Report and Accounts of Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(6) Report and Accounts of Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(7) Report and Accounts of South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(8) Report and Accounts of The Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(9) Report and Accounts of University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(10) Report and Accounts of Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust for 2024–25 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

9 Pharmacy

Report, Fitness to Practise Report and Accounts of the General Pharmaceutical Council for 2024–25 (by Statutory Instrument) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

10 Reserve Forces

Report under section 56(7) of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 on the renewal of call-out orders for operations with the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) and operations in relation to NATO's Assurance and Adaptation Measures (by Act) (Luke Pollard)

Withdrawn papers

11 Turkey No. 1 (2025)

Exchange of Letters, done at London and Ankara on 7 May 2025, between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Türkiye amending the Free Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Turkey (SI, No. 1389) (laid 1 September)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

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

| Member | From | To | Proxy |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| Naz Shah | 8 September | 13 October | Mark Tami |
| Anna Dixon | 2 September | 17 September | Mark Tami |
| Becky Gittins | 3 September | 23 November | Mark Tami |
| Satvir Kaur | 4 September | 28 February 2026 | Mark Tami |
| Andrew Gwynne | 1 April | 1 December | Mark Tami |
| Dan Norris | 16 May | 16 December | Mark Tami |
| Matthew Patrick | 1 September | 10 October | Mark Tami |
| Alicia Kearns | 10 December 2024 | 30 November | Mr Gagan Mohindra (8–11 September); Joy Morrissey (thereafter) |
| Patrick Spencer | 15 May | 14 December | Mr Gagan Mohindra (8–11 September); Joy Morrissey (thereafter) |