

No.181



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday 1 March 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Education**

- 2 Urgent Questions: (1) The future of car manufacturing by Vauxhall at Ellesmere Port and the Government's strategy for battery manufacturing (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)**

(2) Second quarterly report to the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on progress to understand and tackle COVID-19 disparities experienced by individuals from an ethnic minority background (Mrs Kemi Badenoch)

3 Ministerial and other Maternity Allowances Bill: Consideration of Lords Amendments

Lords Amendment 1 agreed to.

Lords Amendments 2 to 15 agreed to.

4 Electricity

Resolved, That the draft Electricity Supplier Payments (Amendment) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 21 January, be approved.—(*Anne-Marie Trevelyan.*)

5 Children and young persons

Resolved, That the draft Electronic Commerce Directive (Education, Adoption and Children) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 18 January, be approved.—(*Vicky Ford.*)

6 Pensions

Resolved, That the draft Automatic Enrolment (Earnings Trigger and Qualifying Earnings Band) Order 2021, which was laid before this House on 20 January, be approved.—(*Guy Opperman.*)

7 Royal Assent

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Queen had signified Royal Assent to the following Acts under the Royal Assent Act 1967:

Covert Human Intelligence Sources (Criminal Conduct) Act 2021

Ministerial and other Maternity Allowances Act 2021

8 Income Tax

Resolved, That the draft Major Sporting Events (Income Tax Exemption) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 11 January, be approved.—(*Jesse Norman.*)

9 Changes to membership of select committees

(1) *Ordered*, That Lia Nici be discharged from the Backbench Business Committee and David Johnston be added.—(*Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(2) *Ordered*, That Tommy Sheppard be discharged from the Finance Committee and

Marion Fellows be added.—(*Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(3) *Ordered*, That Theresa Villiers be discharged from the Petitions Committee and Matt Vickers be added.—(*Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(4) *Ordered*, That Dr Andrew Murrison be discharged from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill and Miss Sarah Dines be added.—(*Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(5) *Ordered*, That Sara Britcliffe be discharged from the Women and Equalities Committee and Ben Bradley be added.—(*Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

10Adjournment

Subject: Protection of leaseholders from fire safety remediation costs (Stephen Morgan)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Leo Docherty.*)

Adjourned at 8.24 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

11 Ministerial and other Maternity Allowances Bill

The Lords agree to the Ministerial and other Maternity Allowances Bill with Amendments to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

Printing of Lords Amendments

12 Ministerial and other Maternity Allowances Bill

Lords Amendments to the Ministerial and other Maternity Allowances Bill to be considered today, and to be printed pursuant to Standing Order No. 78 and No. 57A (Bill 263) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 263–EN).

General Committees: Reports

13 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Nusrat Ghani (Chair) reported the draft Mayoral and Police and Crime Commissioner Elections (Coronavirus, Nomination of Candidates) (Amendment) Order 2021 and the draft Police and Crime Commissioner Elections (Welsh Forms) Order 2021.

Reports from Select Committees

14 Administration Committee

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 1 March, to be published (Sir Charles Walker).

15 Backbench Business Committee

Recommendation to the Liaison Committee on subjects for Estimates Day debates (Ian Mearns).

16 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

(1) *Cladding Remediation—follow up*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1249);

(2) *Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government Supplementary Estimate 2020–21*: Written evidence, to be published (Mr Clive Betts).

17 Liaison Committee

Estimates Days: Sir Bernard Jenkin reported, That, following the recommendation of the Backbench Business Committee on applications considered at its meeting of 1 March, the Liaison Committee recommendation for the allocation of time for the consideration of Estimates on the third allotted day in the present session (Standing Order No. 145) is as follows:

That a day not later than 18 March be allotted for the consideration of the following Estimates for financial year 2020-21:

Cabinet Office, insofar as it relates to the 26th Conference of Parties to the UN

Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP26) (on the application of Philip Dunne);

Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (on the application of Julian Knight)

18 National Security Strategy (Joint Committee on)

(1) *Biosecurity and national security: Government Response to the Committee's First Report of Session 2019–21: First Special Report*, to be printed (HC 1279);

(2) *National security machinery: Oral and written evidence*, to be published (HC 1122)

(Margaret Beckett).

19 Petitions Committee and Women and Equalities Committee

E-petition session: TV licensing: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1233) (Catherine McKinnell).

20 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *Achieving Net Zero: Forty-sixth Report*, to be printed, with formal minutes relating to the report (HC 935);

(2) *Correspondence from the Department of Health and Social Care relating to vaccination against COVID-19 for outreach workers helping rough sleepers*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office relating to the contingent liability arising from GuarantCo*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Home Office relating to irregular charges on Tier 2 sponsors*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence to the Cabinet Office relating to the G4S takeover*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *COVID-19: Housing rough sleepers*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 934);

(8) *Defence Equipment Plan 2020–2030*:
Written evidence, to be published (HC 693);

(9) *Progress in remediating dangerous cladding*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 406)

(Meg Hillier).

21 Treasury Committee

(1) *The Financial Conduct Authority's regulation of London Capital & Finance plc*:
Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1191);

(2) *Correspondence from the Chief Executive of the Financial Conduct Authority relating to PremierFX*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Future of financial services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1158);

(4) *Spending Review 2020*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1029)

(Mel Stride).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Papers Laid

Papers presented and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 26 February 2021 under Standing Orders No. 158 and No. 159:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Civil Aviation

Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 185), dated 23 February (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

2 Climate Change

Carbon Accounting (Provision for 2019) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 189), dated 24 February (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

3 Education

Education (Student Loans) (Repayment) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 191), dated 24 February (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Michelle Donelan)

4 Mexico No. 1 (2021)

Trade Continuity Agreement, done at Mexico City on 15 December 2020, between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United Mexican States (CP 371) (by Command), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) and an accompanying report (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

5 Public Health

Motor Fuel (Composition and Content) and the Biofuel (Labelling) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 199), dated 25 February (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on

Monday 1 March 2021

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

6 Agriculture

Draft Agriculture (Financial Assistance) Regulations 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

7 Employment

Draft Employment Rights Act 1996 (Protection from Detriment in Health and Safety Cases) (Amendment) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

8 Education

School Discipline (Pupil Exclusions and Reviews) (England) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 204), dated 25 February (by Act), with an

Explanatory Memorandum (by Command)
(Nick Gibb)

9 Public Passenger Transport

Mandatory Travel Concession (England)
(Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021,
No. 205), dated 26 February (by Act), with an
Explanatory Memorandum (by Command)
(Secretary Grant Shapps)

Papers laid under paragraphs 3(3) and
17(3) of Schedule 7 to the European Union
(Withdrawal) Act 2018

10 Exiting the European Union (Cultural Objects)

Proposal for an instrument titled
Introduction and the Import of Cultural
Goods (Revocation) Regulations 2021, with
an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact
Assessment (by Act) (Caroline Dinénage)

Other papers

11 Marine and Aviation Insurance (War Risks)

Account of Marine and Aviation Insurance (War Risks) Fund for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1278) (Clerk of the House)

12 Supply Estimates, 2021–22

Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1254) (The Speaker)

13 Treasury

Treasury Minute, dated 1 March 2021, concerning a contingent liability relating to the sale of Bradford & Bingley Plc, NRAM Limited and loan assets (by Command) (John Glen)

Withdrawn papers

14 Supply Estimates, 2021–22

Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body for 2021–22 (HC 1254) (laid 23 February)

15 Public Health

Explanatory Memorandum to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (England) (Amendment) (No. 8) Regulations (SI 2021, No. 166) (laid 19 February)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. New pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary

Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the Members listed in the table below are eligible to have a proxy vote cast on their behalf by the nominated proxies listed in the table below, starting on the dates specified below and ending on Tuesday 30 March 2021, unless the arrangement is ended or the House otherwise orders.

| Member | From | Proxy |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Jeff Smith | 1 March | Chris Elmore |
| Matt Western | 1 March | Chris Elmore |
| Sir Alan Campbell | 1 March | Chris Elmore |
| Andrew Percy | 2 March | Antony Higginbotham |
| James Morris | 2 March | Stuart Andrew |

2. Variation of existing pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy

voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Members have given notice that they wish to amend their proxy voting arrangement:

From 1 March the nominated proxy for Gregory Campbell, Carla Lockhart, Gavin Robinson and Ian Paisley will be Sammy Wilson instead of Jim Shannon.

3. Ending pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Members have given notice that they wish to end their proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the dates specified below:

| Member | From |
|---------------|-------------|
| Gill Furniss | 1 March |

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| Sammy Wilson | 1 March |
| Leo Docherty | 1 March |
| Anthony Higginbotham | 2 March |
| Tom Pursglove | 2 March |
| Mr Steve Baker | 8 March |

CORRECTION

Wednesday 24 February 2021

Item 24 (Other Proceedings) should have read:

**24. Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee
(the draft National Minimum Wage
(Amendment) Regulations 2021)**

Chair: Sir David Amess

Members: Stuart Andrew, Wendy Chamberlain, Leo Docherty, Mike Freer, Gill Furniss, Jo Gideon, Rebecca Harris, Sir Mark Hendrick, Mr Richard Holden, Barbara Keeley, Clive Lewis, Andy McDonald, Tom Pursglove, Paul Scully, Owen Thompson, Maggie Throup and Michael Tomlinson

