



House of Commons

Monday 24 May 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence

2 Urgent Questions: (1) Belarus: Interception of an aircraft (Secretary Dominic Raab)

(2) Findings of Lord Dyson's report on the BBC (Mr John Whittingdale)

(3) Timetable for the publication of the report of the Independent Panel on the death of Daniel Morgan (Victoria Atkins)

3 Finance Bill: Ways and Means (Value Added Tax)

Resolved, That—

(a) (notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the practice of the House relating to the matters that may be included in Finance Bills) provision may be made in relation to the Protocol on Northern Ireland/Ireland in the EU withdrawal agreement about value added tax and distance selling,

(b) provision (including provision having retrospective effect) may be made about the value, for the purposes of the Value Added Tax Act 1994, of a supply of imported goods of a low value that fall within section 21(5) of that Act (works of art etc), and

(c) provision (including provision having retrospective effect) may be made amending section 42 of the Taxation (Cross-border Trade) Act 2018.—(*Tom Pursglove.*)

4 Finance Bill: Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the Order of 13 April 2021 (Finance (No. 2) Bill (Programme)) be varied as follows:

(1) Paragraphs (8) and (9) of the Order shall be omitted.

(2) Proceedings on Consideration—

(a) shall be taken 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.

TABLE

Proceedings	Time for conclusion of proceedings
New Clause 23; remaining new Clauses, new Schedules and amendments relating to the subject matter of Clauses 6 to 14 and Schedule 1	Three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order
New Clause 25; remaining new Clauses, new Schedules and amendments relating to the subject matter of Clauses 109 to 111 and Schedules 21 and 22	Four hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order
New Clause 2; remaining new Clauses, new Schedules and amendments relating to the subject matter of Clause 88 and Schedule 16; remaining new Clauses, new Schedules and amendments to Clauses and Schedules; remaining proceedings on Consideration	Five hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order

(3) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion six hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order.—(*Tom Pursglove.*)

Question agreed to.

5 Finance Bill (Report Stage): Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Committee of the whole House and in the Public Bill Committee

New Clause NC23—(*James Murray*)—brought up and read the first time.

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

The House divided.

Division No. 6

Ayes: 261 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Jessica Morden)

Noes: 364 (Tellers: Maria Caulfield, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negated.

Amendment 29 proposed.—(*James Murray.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 7

Ayes: 268 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Jessica Morden)

Noes: 357 (Tellers: Maria Caulfield, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negated.

Amendment 2 made.

New Clause 25—(*Abena Oppong-Asare*)—brought up and read the first time.

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

The House divided.

Division No. 8

Ayes: 268 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Jessica Morden)

Noes: 357 (Tellers: Maria Caulfield, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negated.

New Clause NC2—(*Abena Oppong-Asare*)—brought up and read the first time.

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

Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

New Clause NC24—(*Abena Oppong-Asare*)—brought up and read the first time.

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

The House divided.

Division No. 9

Ayes: 218 (Tellers: Jessica Morden, Liz Twist)

Noes: 358 (Tellers: Maria Caulfield, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negated.

Amendments 4 to 6 made.

New Clause NC17—(*Jesse Norman*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC18—(*Jesse Norman*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC19—(*Jesse Norman*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC20—(*Jesse Norman*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC9—(*Richard Thomson*)—brought up and read the first time.

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

The House divided.

Division No. 10

Ayes: 261 (Tellers: Richard Thomson, Allan Dorans)

Noes: 365 (Tellers: Maria Caulfield, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negated.

New Schedule NS1—(*Jesse Norman*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Amendments 3 and 7 to 22 made.

6 Finance Bill: Third Reading

Motion made and Question put, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Division No. 11

Ayes: 365 (Tellers: Maria Caulfield, David Rutley)

Noes: 261 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Jessica Morden)

Question accordingly agreed to and Bill passed.

7 House of Commons Commission

Resolved, That Mr Nicholas Brown be appointed to the House of Commons Commission in place of Dame Rosie Winterton in pursuance of section 1(2)(d) of the House of Commons Administration Act 1978, as amended.—(*James Morris*.)

8 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Mobile Homes (Requirement for Manager of Site to be Fit and Proper Person) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 22 March, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*James Morris*.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Combined Heat and Power Quality Assurance (Temporary Modifications) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 18 March, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*James Morris*.)

Question agreed to.

9 Adjournment

Subject: East West Rail and the Aylesbury Spur (Rob Butler)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*James Morris*.)

Adjourned at 11.02 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

10 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Laurence Robertson (Chair) reported the Motion in the name of Grant Shapps relating to Financial Assistance to Industry.

11 Second Delegated Legislation Committee

James Gray (Chair) reported the Motion in the name of Paul Scully relating to Financial Assistance to Industry.

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).

12 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (Motion in the name of Paul Scully relating to Financial Assistance to Industry)

Members: Gill Furniss discharged and Liz Twist nominated in substitution.

13 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Pollution Prevention and Control (Fees) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2021)

Members: Gill Furniss discharged and Liz Twist nominated in substitution.

14 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (Myanmar (Sanctions) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 496))

Chair: Graham Stringer in place of Mrs Maria Miller

Reports from Select Committees relating to orders for printing made during the adjournment under Standing Order No. 137

Friday 21 May

15 International Trade Committee

Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to a free trade agreement between the UK and Australia: Written evidence, to be published (Clerk of the House).

Reports from Select Committees made on Monday 24 May

16 Administration Committee

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 24 May, to be published (Sir Charles Walker).

17 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

The work of the BBC: Written evidence, to be published (HC 257) (Julian Knight).

18 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

The Government's response to COVID-19: human rights implications of long lockdown: Written evidence, to be published (HC 263) (Ms Harriet Harman).

19 Procedure Committee

Written parliamentary questions: Written evidence, to be published (HC 214) (Karen Bradley).

20 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *Fifth Annual Report of the Chair of the Committee of Public Accounts: First Special Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 222);*

(2) *COVID-19: PPE Suppliers: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 172);*

(3) *Adult social care markets: Written evidence, to be published (HC 252);*

(4) *Correspondence from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy relating to COVID-19 vaccines for variants: Written evidence, to be published;*

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

(6) *Correspondence with the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport relating to the contingent liability – National Gallery's Exhibition 'Conversations with God': Written evidence, to be published;*

(7) *COVID-19: Government support for charities: Written evidence, to be published (HC 250);*

(8) *Fraud and Error: Written evidence, to be published (HC 253);*

(9) *Whitehall preparations for EU Exit: Written evidence, to be published (HC 251) (Meg Hillier).*

21 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *Government transparency and accountability during COVID-19: The data underpinning decisions: Government Response to the Committee's Eighth Report of Session 2019–21: First Special Report*, to be printed (HC 234);

(2) *COVID-19 vaccine certification*: Oral evidence to be published (HC 42);

(3) *Correspondence from the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster relating to reforms to the Government's delivery of public services*: Written evidence to be published;

(4) *Post appointment hearing: The Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 40);

(5) *The work of the Cabinet Office*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 41)

(Mr William Wragg).

22 Treasury Committee

(1) *Bank of England Monetary Policy Reports*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 142);

(2) *Correspondence from financial institutions relating to opening new business current accounts*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Director of the National Institute of Economic and Social Research relating to Monetary and Fiscal Co-ordination*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mel Stride).

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 Child food poverty

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petition 554276 relating to child food poverty.—(*Catherine McKinnell*.)

The sitting was suspended between 5.56 pm and 6.15 pm (Orders, 25 February and 25 March).

2 International travel and COVID-19

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petition 565102 relating to international travel and COVID-19.—(*Nick Fletcher*.)

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

Adjourned at 7.44 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Contracting Out

Draft Contracting Out (Functions in Relation to Space) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

2 Exiting the European Union (Customs)

Draft Customs Safety and Security Procedures (EU Exit) Regulations 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jesse Norman)

3 Space Industry

(1) Draft Space Industry (Appeals) Regulations 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

(2) Draft Space Industry Regulations 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

(3) Draft Spaceflight Activities (Investigation of Spaceflight Accidents) Regulations 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

4 Merchant Shipping

Merchant Shipping (Cargo Ship) (Bilge Alarm) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 592), dated 17 May 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Other papers

5 Home Office

New Plan for Immigration: Legal Migration and Border Control – Strategy Statement (by Command) (CP 441) (Secretary Priti Patel)

6 Housing, Communities and Local Government

Government Response to the Sixth Report from the Housing, Communities and Local Government Select Committee, Session 2019–21, on Protecting the homeless and the private rented sector (by Command) (CP 439) (Secretary Robert Jenrick)

7 National Heritage

Government Indemnity Scheme: Statement to Parliament on the level of outstanding liabilities under the Scheme for the six-month period ending 31 March 2021 (by Act) (Caroline Dinenage)

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 Orders of 22 October 2020 and 25 March 2021, 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 21 June 2021, unless the arrangement is ended or the House otherwise orders.

Member	From	Proxy
Marion Fellows	24 May	Owen Thompson
Jackie Doyle-Price	25 May	Stuart Andrew
Allan Dorans	25 May	Owen Thompson

2. 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 Orders of 22 October 2020 and 25 March 2021, 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
Andrew Bowie	25 May
Lilian Greenwood	25 May
Tim Farron	26 May