



House of Commons

Tuesday 26 October 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs**
- 2 Speaker's Statement: Announcement of Budget measures**
- 3 Urgent Question: Announcement of Budget measures (Mr Simon Clarke)**
- 4 Nuclear Energy (Financing) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)**

Greg Hands, supported by the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Elizabeth Truss, Secretary Priti Patel, Secretary Michael Gove, Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng, Secretary Anne-Marie Trevelyan, Secretary Nadhim Zahawi and Secretary Grant Shapps, presented a Bill to make provision for the implementation of a regulated asset base model for nuclear energy generation projects; for revenue collection for the purposes of that model; for a special administration regime for licensees subject to that model; and about the circumstances in which bodies corporate are not associated with site operators for the purposes of programmes relating to funding the decommissioning of nuclear sites.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 174) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 174-EN).

- 5 Electricity Grid (Review): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require the Government and Ofgem to conduct and act on a review of the electricity transmission grid and associated charges, to include consideration of abolishing charge differentials based on geographic location, incentivising renewable energy generation to maximise energy output, and minimising the passing on of charge fluctuation risk to consumers in the form of higher prices; and for connected purposes;

That Alan Brown, Alison Thewliss, Gavin Newlands, Patricia Gibson, Drew Hendry, Deidre Brock, David Linden, Dr Philippa Whitford, Brendan O'Hara, Carol Monaghan and Stephen Flynn present the Bill.

Alan Brown accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 3 December, and to be printed (Bill 175).

6 Northern Ireland (Ministers, Elections and Petitions of Concern) Bill: Programme (No. 2)

Ordered, That the Order of 22 June 2021 (Northern Ireland (Ministers, Elections and Petitions of Concern Bill) (Programme)) be varied as follows:

(1) Paragraphs (4) and (5) of the Order shall be omitted.

(2) Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour 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 two hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion for this Order.—(*Alan Mak.*)

7 Northern Ireland (Ministers, Elections and Petitions of Concern) Bill: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee

New Clause NC 1—(*Stephen Farry*)—brought up, and read the first time.

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

Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

8 Northern Ireland (Ministers, Elections and Petitions of Concern) Bill: Third Reading

Bill read the third time, and passed.

9 Judicial Review and Courts Bill: Second Reading

Motion made and Question put, that the Judicial Review and Courts Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Division No. 96

Ayes: 321 (Tellers: Andrea Jenkyns, Steve Double)

Noes: 220 (Tellers: Mary Glendon, Liz Twist)

Question accordingly agreed to, and Bill read a second time.

10 Judicial Review and Courts Bill: Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Judicial Review and Courts Bill:

Committal

(1) The Bill shall be committed to a Public Bill Committee.

Proceedings in Public Bill Committee

(2) Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion on Tuesday 23 November 2021.

(3) The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

Proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading

(4) Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which those proceedings are commenced.

(5) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.

(6) Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading.

Other proceedings

(7) Any other proceedings on the Bill may be programmed.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

11 Judicial Review and Courts Bill: Money

Queen's Recommendation signified.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 52(1)(a)), That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Judicial Review and Courts Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of:

(1) any expenditure incurred under or by virtue of the Act by the Lord Chancellor; and

(2) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

12 Statutory Instruments: Motion for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Self-Isolation) (England) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1073), a copy of which was laid before this House on 22 September, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

13 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to electrification of the Hull to Selby railway line was presented and read by Dame Diana Johnson.

14 Adjournment

Subject: Child sexual exploitation in the Bradford district (Robbie Moore)

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

At 7.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Adjourned at 7.07 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

15 Skills and Post-16 Education Bill

The Lords have passed a Bill to make provision about local skills improvement plans; to make provision relating to further education; to make provision about functions of the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education and relating to technical education qualifications and apprenticeships; to make provision about student finance and fees; to make provision about assessments by the Office for Students; to make provision about

the funding of certain post-16 education or training providers; to create offences relating to completing assignments on behalf of students; to make provision about designating 16 to 19 Academies as having a religious character; and for connected purposes, to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

First Reading and Printing of Lords Bills

16 Skills and Post-16 Education Bill

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 176), with Explanatory Notes (Bill 176–EN).

Changes to Notices Given

17 Paternity (Leave and Pay) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 29 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 18 March 2022.

General Committees: Reports

18 Building Safety Bill Committee

Mrs Maria Miller reported:

(1) written evidence submitted to the Committee.

(2) the Bill as amended.

Written evidence to be published.

Bill, as amended, to be considered tomorrow; and to be printed (Bill 177).

19 Elections Bill Committee

Mark Pritchard (Chair) reported:

(1) written evidence submitted to the Committee; and

(2) the Bill as amended.

Written evidence to be published.

Bill, as amended, to be considered tomorrow; and to be printed (Bill 178).

20 Health and Care Bill Committee

Steve McCabe (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

21 Nationality and Borders Bill Committee

Sir Roger Gale (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

22 Subsidy Control Bill Committee

Mr Virendra Sharma (Chair) reported:

(1) That the Committee had come to the following Resolution, That, subject to the discretion of the Chair, any written evidence received by the Committee shall be reported to the House for publication; and

(2) written evidence.

Written evidence to be published.

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).

23 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 (Coronavirus) (Amendment of Schedule 10) (No. 2) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1091)

Members: Mrs Pauline Latham discharged and Graham Stuart nominated in substitution.

*Reports from Select Committees***24 Backbench Business Committee**

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 26 October, to be published (Ian Mearns).

25 Defence Committee

(1) *Withdrawal from Afghanistan*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 699);

(2) *Correspondence with BAE Systems relating to the potential sale of GE Steam Power to EDF Energy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with GE Power Conversion UK Ltd. relating to the potential sale of GE Steam Power to EDF Energy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with Intermarine UK relating to shipbuilding and international labour resources*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence with the Minister for Defence People and Veterans relating to veterans' health matters*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Space defence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 271);

(8) *The Navy: Purpose and procurement*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 168);

(9) *US, UK, and NATO*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 608)

(Tobias Ellwood).

26 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

(1) *Online safety and online harms*: Oral evidence taken before the Sub-Committee, to be published (HC 620);

(2) *Major cultural and sporting events*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 259)

(Julian Knight).

27 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Labour shortages in the food and farming sector*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 713);

(2) *Correspondence with the Chief Executive of the Environment Agency relating to farming rules for water*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Plastic waste*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 556);

(4) *Seafood and meat exports to the EU*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 830) (Neil Parish).

28 European Statutory Instruments Committee

Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 589) (Andrew Jones).

29 Foreign Affairs Committee

(1) *Implementing the Integrated Review: Tilt to the Indo-Pacific*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 684);

(2) *Implementing the Integrated Review in Nigeria*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 202)

(Tom Tugendhat).

30 Health and Social Care Committee

*This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings from Wednesday 27 October 2021 for details

(1) *Cancer services*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 551);

(2) *Treatment of autistic people and people with autism*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 21)

(Jeremy Hunt).

31 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

Local government and the path to net zero: Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 34) (Mr Clive Betts).

32 International Development Committee

(1) *The UK's approach to tackling modern slavery through the aid programme: report from the Sub-Committee on the Work of ICAI*: Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 103);

(2) *UK aid for improving nutrition*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 811);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for South Asia and the Commonwealth relating to Afghan refugees and Official Development Assistance*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *The philosophy and culture of aid*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 101) (Sarah Champion).

33 Privileges (Committee of)

Select committees and contempts: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 826) (Chris Bryant).

34 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *The Cabinet Office freedom of information clearing house*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 505);

(2) *The scrutiny of international treaties and other international agreements in the 21st century*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 485);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Intergovernmental Relations relating to the publication of the second quarterly report on intergovernmental relations*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr William Wragg).

35 Science and Technology Committee

(1) *Direct-to-consumer genomic testing: Government Response to the Committee's First Report*: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 805);

(2) *UK science, research and technology capability and influence in global disease outbreaks*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 93)

(Greg Clark).

36 Standards (Committee on)

Mr Owen Paterson:

(i) Third Report, with Appendices, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 797);

(ii) part of the oral evidence and part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 797)

(Chris Bryant).

37 Transport Committee

(1) *Rollout and Safety of Smart Motorways*: Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 26);

(2) Correspondence from the Minister for Roads, Buses and Places relating to publication of the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2021: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister of State relating to Publication of HS2 Parliamentary Report*: Written evidence, to be published

(Huw Merriman).

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 Transport funding for Wales and HS2

Resolved, That this House has considered transport funding for Wales and HS2.—(*Geraint Davies*.)

2 Public health funding in Bexley

Resolved, That this House has considered public health funding in Bexley.—(*Sir David Evennett*.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.24 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 GP appointment availability

Resolved, That this House has considered GP appointment availability.—(*Joy Morrissey*.)

4 Investment industry exposure to modern slavery

Resolved, That this House has considered investment industry exposure to modern slavery.—(*Gareth Davies*.)

5 Government support for motorcycling

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered Government support for motorcycling.—(*Bill Wiggin*.)

At 5.30 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

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

Adjourned at 5.30 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Exiting the European Union (Electronic Communications)

Draft Network and Information Systems (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Julia Lopez)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Local Government

(1) Draft London Borough of Barking and Dagenham (Electoral Changes) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

(2) Draft Royal Borough of Greenwich (Electoral Changes) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

(3) Draft St Helens (Electoral Changes) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

3 Tribunals and Inquiries

Tribunal Procedure (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 1183), dated 21 October 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

Other papers

4 Government Trading Funds

Report and Accounts of the United Kingdom Hydrographic Office for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 691) (Clerk of the House)

5 Human Fertilisation and Embryology

Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority Code of Practice, 9th Edition – Revised October 2021 (by Act) (Maria Caulfield)