

# **House of Commons**

# Wednesday 1 February 2017

# **Votes and Proceedings**

The House met at 11.30 am.

#### PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills: Middle Level Bill: Second Reading

Motion made, That the Middle Level Bill be read a second time.—(Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 20(2)).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday 8 February.

- 2 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
  - (2) the Prime Minister
- 3 Vehicle Fuel (Publication of Tax Information): 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 inclusion on vehicle fuel receipts of the amounts of each tax paid; to require all retail fuel pumps to display the amounts of taxes paid when dispensing fuel; and for connected purposes;

That Peter Aldous, Mr Alistair Carmichael, Angus Brendan MacNeil, Martin Vickers, Danny Kinahan, Charlie Elphicke, Ms Margaret Ritchie, Maria Caulfield, Drew Hendry, Rishi Sunak, Jim Fitzpatrick and James Cartlidge present the Bill.

Peter Aldous accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 February, and to be printed (Bill 133).

4 European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill: Second Reading (Second Day)

Debate resumed (Order, 31 January)

Question again proposed, That the Amendment be made.

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

Question again proposed.

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 134.

Ayes: 100 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, Owen Thompson).

Noes: 336 (Tellers: Gavin Williamson, Jackie Doyle-Price).

Question accordingly negatived.

Question, That the Bill be now read a second time, put forthwith (Standing Order No. 62(2)).

The House divided.

Division No. 135.

Ayes: 498 (Tellers: Gavin Williamson, Jackie Doyle-Price).

Noes: 114 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, Owen Thompson).

Question accordingly agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

#### 5 European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill (Programme)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill:

#### Committal

(1) The Bill shall be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Proceedings in Committee and up to and including Third Reading

- (2) Proceedings in Committee, any proceedings on Consideration, any proceedings in legislative grand committee and proceedings on Third Reading shall be taken in three days.
- (3) The proceedings shall be taken on each of those days as shown in the first column of the following Table and in the order so shown.
- (4) The proceedings 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

#### First day

New Clauses and new Schedules Relating to parliamentary scrutiny of the process for the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union

New Clauses and new Schedules relating to devolved administrations or legislatures

#### Second day

New Clauses and new Schedules relating to a vote on the final terms of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union

New Clauses and new Schedules relating to impact assessments

#### Third day

New Clauses and new Schedules relating to the priorities in negotiations for the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union; clauses 1 and 2; remaining new Clauses; remaining new Schedules; remaining proceedings in Committee; any proceedings on Consideration; any

Four hours from the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the first day

Seven hours from the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the first day

Four hours from the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the second day

Seven hours from the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the second day

Five hours from the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the third day

proceedings in legislative grand committee Proceedings on Third Reading

Seven hours from the commencement of proceedings on the Bill on the third day

#### Programming committee

(5) Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings in Committee of the whole House, to any proceedings on Consideration or to other proceedings up to and including Third Reading.

#### Other proceedings

(6) Any other proceedings on the Bill (including any proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments or on any further messages from the Lords) may be programmed.—(*Heather Wheeler*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 136.

Ayes: 329 (Tellers: Gavin Williamson, Jackie Doyle-Price).

Noes: 112 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, Owen Thompson).

Question accordingly agreed to.

#### 6 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Important Public Services (Education) Regulations 2017, which were laid before this House on 5 December 2016, be approved.—(*Heather Wheeler*.)

The Speaker's opinion as to the decision of the Question was challenged.

Division deferred until Wednesday 8 February (Standing Order No. 41A).

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Important Public Services (Transport) Regulations 2017, which were laid before this House on 5 December 2016, be approved.—(*Heather Wheeler*.)

The Speaker's opinion as to the decision of the Question was challenged.

Division deferred until Wednesday 8 February (Standing Order No. 41A).

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Scottish Fiscal Commission Act 2016 (Consequential Provisions and Modifications) Order 2017, which was laid before this House on 19 December 2016, be approved.—(Heather Wheeler.)

Question agreed to.

(4) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Immigration (Health Charge) (Amendment) Order 2017, which was laid before this House on 20 December 2016, be approved.—(Heather Wheeler.)

Question agreed to.

#### 7 Public Petitions

A public petition from residents of the UK relating to English Language and English Literature GCSE-level examinations was presented and read by Phil Wilson.

#### 8 Adjournment

Subject: World Hijab Day (Ms Tasmina Ahmed-Sheikh).

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Heather Wheeler*.)

Adjourned at 8.16 pm until tomorrow.

#### Other proceedings

#### Lords Messages

9 High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Bill

The Lords agreed to the High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Bill with Amendments to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

#### Printing of Lords Amendments

10 High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Bill

Lords Amendments to the High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Bill to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 135) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 135–EN).

#### Changes to Notices Given

11 Housing Standards (Preparation and Storage of Food by Tenants in Receipt of Universal Credit or Housing Benefit) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 3 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 24 March.

12 Kew Gardens (Leases) Bill

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 3 February.

#### General Committees: Reports

13 Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Ratification of Convention) Bill

Mrs Anne Main reported the Bill, without amendment.

Bill, not amended, to be considered on 24 February.

14 Awards for Valour (Protection) Bill

Mrs Anne Main reported the Bill, as amended.

Title amended, as follows: A Bill to prohibit the wearing of medals or insignia awarded for valour, with the intent to deceive.

Bill, as amended, to be considered on 24 February.

#### 15 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Adrian Bailey (Chair) reported the draft Important Public Services (Health) Regulations 2017, the draft Important Public Services (Border Security) Regulations 2017 and the draft Important Public Services (Fire) Regulations 2017.

16 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

Philip Davies (Chair) reported the draft National Health Service Commissioning Board (Additional Functions) Regulations 2017.

#### 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).

17 Local Audit (Public Access to Documents) Bill Committee

Chair: Nadine Dorries.

- 18 Merchant Shipping (Homosexual Conduct) Bill Committee
  - (1) Chair: Sir Alan Meale
  - (2) Members: Frank Field, John Glen, Mr John Hayes, Kwasi Kwarteng, Mr Alan Mak, Wendy Morton, Jess Phillips, Victoria Prentis, Tom Pursglove, Jim Shannon, Iain Stewart, Ms Gisela Stuart, Dr Eilidh Whiteford, Craig Williams, John Woodcock and Daniel Zeichner.
- 19 Pension Schemes Bill [Lords] Committee
  - (1) Chairs: Ms Karen Buck and Andrew Rosindell
  - (2) Members: Mhairi Black, Ian Blackford, Steve Brine, Robert Courts, Alex Cunningham, Chris Davies, Chris Elmore, Yvonne Fovargue, Margaret Greenwood, Richard Harrington, Carolyn Harris, Peter Heaton-Jones, Julian Knight, Craig Mackinlay, Nigel Mills and Royston Smith.
- 20 First Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Pension Schemes Act 2015 (Judicial Pensions) (Consequential Provision) Regulations 2017)
  - (1) Chair: James Gray
  - (2) Members: Richard Arkless, Mr Steve Baker, Ian Blackford, Alistair Burt, James Duddridge, Sir Oliver Heald, Dame Margaret Hodge, Adam Holloway, Kelvin Hopkins, Dan Jarvis, Robert Jenrick, Diana Johnson, Kit Malthouse, Guy Opperman, Neil Parish, Christina Rees, Nick Smith and Mr Shailesh Vara.
- 21 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Investment Bank (Amendment of Definition) and Special Administration (Amendment) Regulations 2017)
  - (1) Chair: Mrs Madeleine Moon
  - (2) Members: Stephen Barclay, Kirsty Blackman, Sir Simon Burns, Alberto Costa, Mark Field, Nusrat Ghani, Richard Graham, Liz Kendall, George Kerevan, Simon Kirby, Mr David Lammy, Charlotte Leslie, Mr Jonathan Lord, Mr Pat McFadden, Rachel Reeves, Jonathan Reynolds, Jeff Smith and Craig Williams.
- 22 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Important Public Services (Health) Regulations 2017, the draft Important Public Services (Border Security) Regulations 2017 and the draft Important Public Services (Fire) Regulations 2017)

Members: Clive Lewis discharged and Gill Furniss nominated in substitution.

23 European Committee B in respect of European Union Documents No. 10968/16 and Addenda 1-16, a Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States; No. 10969/16 and Addenda 1-16, a Proposal for a Council Decision on the provisional application of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and

its Member States; and No. 10970/16 and Addenda 1-16, a Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States

Chair: Sir Edward Leigh.

24 European Committee C in respect of European Union Documents No. 10968/16 and Addenda 1-16, a Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States, No. 10969/16 and Addenda 1-16, a Proposal for a Council Decision on the provisional application of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States, and No. 10970/16 and Addenda 1-16, a Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada and the European Union and its Member States

Members: Philip Boswell, James Cleverly, Byron Davies, Geraint Davies, Chris Elmore, Barry Gardiner, Peter Grant, Greg Hands, Chris Leslie, Mark Menzies, Michael Tomlinson, Helen Whately and Heather Wheeler.

25 European Committee C in respect of European Union Document No. 7195/16, a Communication from the Commission on Steel: Preserving sustainable jobs and growth in Europe

Chair: Phil Wilson.

#### European Union Documents Referred

#### 26 European Committee B

European Union Documents No. 15812/16, a Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the use of the Schengen Information System for the return of illegally staying third-country nationals, and No. 15814/16, a Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System in the field of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, amending Regulation (EU) No 515/2014 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1986/2006, Council Decision 2007/533/JHA and Commission Decision 2010/261/EU.

#### 27 European Committee B

European Union Document No. 15816/16 and Addendum, a Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mutual recognition of freezing and confiscation orders.

### Reports from Select Committees

#### 28 Education Committee

Fostering: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 681) (Neil Carmichael).

#### 29 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

- (1) Animal welfare: domestic pets: Government response to the Committee's Third Report of Session 2016–17: Fourth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1003);
  - (2) Food waste: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 429);
  - (3) *Rural tourism*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 428) (Neil Parish).

#### 30 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) Thirtieth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 71-xxviii);

- (2) EU-UK relations in preparation for Brexit: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 791);
- (3) Ministerial correspondence and Brussels Bulletin: Written evidence, to be published (HC 71)

(Sir William Cash).

#### 31 Exiting the European Union (Committee on)

The UK's negotiating objectives for its withdrawal from the EU: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 815) (Hilary Benn).

#### 32 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

Human rights and business: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 443) (Ms Harriet Harman).

#### 33 International Development Committee

- (1) Crisis in Yemen: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 696);
- (2) Correspondence with the Secretary of State for International Development relating to DFID's work on HIV/AIDS: Written evidence, to be published

(Stephen Twigg).

#### 34 International Trade Committee

*UK trade options beyond 2019*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 817) (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

#### 35 Justice Committee

*Implications of Brexit for the justice system*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 750) (Robert Neill).

#### 36 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

Future of the land border with the Republic of Ireland: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 700) (Mr Laurence Robertson).

#### 37 Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) Consumer-funded energy policies: Thirty-ninth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 773);
- (2) Progress on the Common Agricultural Policy Delivery Programme: Fortieth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 766);
  - (3) Excess votes 2015–16: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 954);
- (4) Upgrading emergency service communications recall: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 997);
- (5) Correspondence with the Chief Executive of the Green Deal Finance Company relating to the sale of the GDFC: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) Correspondence with the Permanent Secretary to HM Treasury relating to the Garden Bridge: Written evidence, to be published;
  - (7) The financial sustainability of schools: Written evidence, to be published (HC 890);
  - (8) *The financial sustainability of the NHS*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 887) (Meg Hillier).

#### 38 Science and Technology Committee

(1) My Science Inquiry: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 859);

- (2) Closing the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) skills gap: Written evidence, to be published (HC 853);
  - (3) Genomics and genome-editing: Written evidence, to be published (HC 854);
  - (4) Managing intellectual property: Written evidence, to be published (HC 755);
  - (5) *Ocean acidification*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 860) (Stephen Metcalfe).

#### 39 Scottish Affairs Committee

Sustainable employment in Scotland: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 762) (Pete Wishart).

40 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Twenty-first Report, to be printed (HC 93-xxi) (Derek Twigg).

- 41 Women and Equalities Committee
  - (1) Gender pay gap: Government response to the Committee's Second report, Session 2015–16: Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 963);
  - (2) Disability and the built environment: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 631);
  - (3) Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 5 in the UK: Written evidence, to be published (HC 885)

(Mrs Maria Miller).

## John Bercow

Speaker

The Speaker will take the Chair at 9.30 am.

## Sitting in Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

Business appointed by the Chairman of Ways and Means (Standing Order No. 10(6))

(1) Funding for maintained nursery schools

*Resolved*, That this House has considered funding for maintained nursery schools.— (*Helen Jones*.)

(2) Gypsies and Travellers in the youth justice system

*Resolved*, That this House has considered outcomes for Gypsies and Travellers in the youth justice system.—(*Kate Green.*)

The sitting was suspended between 11.26 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

(3) Prevent Strategy

*Resolved*, That this House has considered implementation of the Prevent Strategy.—(*Lucy Allan*.)

(4) Marriage Week

Resolved, That this House has considered Marriage Week.—(Mr David Burrowes.)

(5) Ultra-low emission vehicles

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered ultra-low emission vehicles.—(*Andrew Selous*.)

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.

## Lindsay Hoyle

Chairman of Ways and Means

#### **APPENDIX**

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

#### 1 Police

Police Grant Report (England and Wales) for 2017–18 (by Act); to be printed (HC 944) (Secretary Amber Rudd).

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

#### 2 Customs

- (1) Export Control (North Korea Sanctions and Iran, Ivory Coast and Syria Amendment) Order 2017 (S.I., 2017, No. 83), dated 27 January 2017 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Liam Fox); and
- (2) Export Control (Amendment) Order 2017 (S.I., 2017, No. 85), dated 27 January 2017 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Liam Fox).

#### 3 Local Government

- (1) Draft Chichester (Electoral Changes) Order 2017 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker);
- (2) draft Harrogate (Electoral Changes) Order 2017 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker); and
- (3) draft Huntingdonshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2017 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker).

#### 4 Proceeds of Crime

Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (References to Financial Investigators) (Amendment) Order 2017 (S.I., 2017, No. 74), dated 30 January 2017 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Amber Rudd).

Withdrawn Papers:

#### 5 Local Government

Draft London Borough of Redbridge (Electoral Changes) Order 2017 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (laid 26 January).

#### SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

#### Instruments

The Speaker has certified, for the purposes of Standing Order No. 83P, and on the basis of material put before him, that, in his opinion, the following instrument relates exclusively to England and is within devolved legislative competence, as defined in Standing Order No. 83P.

Draft Transport Levying Bodies (Amendment) Regulations 2017

#### **CORRECTION**

Tuesday 31 January 2017

Item 10, Local Government Finance Bill Committee, should have read:

Mike Gapes (Chair) reported 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.