

**GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE
HOUSE OF LORDS**

**FORTHCOMING BUSINESS
8 JANUARY 2025**

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WEDNESDAY 8 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Bus Services (No.2) Bill – Second Reading –
Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill

**Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at
4:15pm**

No business scheduled

THURSDAY 9 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Great British Energy Bill - Committee (day 3)

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Debate on the Report from the Science and Technology
Committee: *Long-duration energy storage: get on with it* –
Baroness Brown of Cambridge / Baroness Gustafsson

3. Topical QSD on changes to requirements for civil servants to work from government offices following a vote on strike action at the Land Registry – Lord Farmer/ Baroness Twycross
4. Debate on the Report from the International Relations and Defence Committee: *Our friends in the North: UK strategy towards the Arctic* – Lord Ashton of Hyde / Lord Collins of Highbury

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

No business scheduled

FRIDAY 10 JANUARY

The House is expected not to sit

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Mental Health Bill [HL] - Committee (day 1)

MONDAY 13 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Football Governance Bill [HL] - Committee (day 7)

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Great British Energy Bill – Committee (day 3 of 3) – Lord Hunt of Kings Heath

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

Items 1 and 2 are expected to be debated together

1. Draft registrar (identity verification and unauthorised corporate service providers) regulations 2024 – Lord Leong
2. Draft Unique Identifiers (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024 – Lord Leong
3. Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 – Baroness Gustafsson
4. Draft Official Controls (Amendment) Regulations 2024 – Baroness Hayman of Ullock
5. Draft Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards (Amendment) (England) 2024 – Baroness Hayman of Ullock
6. Draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage

TUESDAY 14 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Mental Health Bill [HL] – Committee (day 1 of 5) –
Baroness Merron

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

No business scheduled

WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill (money bill) –
Second Reading and Remaining Stages –
Lord Livermore
3. Football Governance Bill [HL] – Committee (day 7) –
Baroness Twycross

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4:15pm

No business scheduled

THURSDAY 16 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Mental Health Bill [HL] - Committee (day 2)

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Debate on the challenges to a rules-based international order, and their impact on global cohesion, stability and security – Baroness Northover / Baroness Chapman of Darlington
3. Topical QSD on steps being taken to support the healthcare system in Gaza - Baroness Kennedy of the Shaws / Baroness Chapman of Darlington
4. Debate on the growing challenges of the effects of climate change on natural ecosystems and the role of nature conservation in combating global warming – Lord Teverson / Baroness Hayman of Ullock

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

1. Debate on Restoration and Renewal Annual Progress Report – Senior Deputy Speaker

FRIDAY 17 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Data (Use and Access) Bill - Report (day 1)

Business in the Chamber at 10am

1. Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL] – Second Reading – Baroness Grey-Thompson / Lord Hanson of Flint
 2. Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL] – Second Reading – Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle / Lord Leong
 3. Universal Credit (Standard Allowance Entitlement of Care Leavers) Bill [HL] – Second Reading – Bishop of Manchester / Baroness Blake of Leeds
 4. Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL] – Committee – Baroness Hamwee / Lord Hanson of Flint
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MONDAY 20 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Mental Health Bill [HL] - Committee (day 3)

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Mental Health Bill [HL] - Committee (day 2 of 5) -
Baroness Merron
3. ‡ QSD on ceasing the use of hotels to house asylum
seekers - Lord Davies of Gower / Lord Hanson of Flint
(*Dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

1. Draft Electricity Capacity Mechanism (Amendment)
Regulations 2024 - Lord Hunt of Kings Heath
2. Draft Clean Heat Market Mechanism Regulations 2024
- Lord Hunt of Kings Heath
3. Draft Deposit Scheme for Drinks Containers (England
and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2024 -
Baroness Hayman of Ullock
4. Draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage
Requirements etc.) Regulations 2025 - Lord Hendy of
Richmond Hill
5. Draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland)
(Amendment) Regulations 2025 - Baroness Anderson of
Stoke-on-Trent

TUESDAY 21 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Data (Use and Access) Bill – Report (day 1 of 2) –
Lord Vallance of Balham

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

Business may be scheduled

WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Mental Health Bill [HL] – Committee (day 3 of 5) –
Baroness Merron

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4:15pm

Business may be scheduled

THURSDAY 23 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Mental Health Bill [HL] - Committee (day 4)

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Conservative Party Debate - *topic to be announced*
3. Topical QSD - ballot drawn Tuesday 14 January
4. Conservative Party Debate - *topic to be announced*

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

Business may be scheduled

FRIDAY 24 JANUARY

The House is expected not to sit

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Data (Use and Access) Bill - Report (day 2)

Bus Services (No.2) Bill - Committee (day 1)

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MONDAY 27 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL] (Private Bill) – Third Reading

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Mental Health Bill [HL] – Committee (day 4 of 5) – Baroness Merron
3. ‡ QSD on consideration given to the impacts in the nations and regions of the UK of the removal of the agricultural property relief for inheritance tax, the increases to employers' National Insurance contributions, and the extension of VAT to private school fees – Lord Morrow / Lord Livermore (*Dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

1. Draft Environmental Permitting (Electricity Generating Stations) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 – Lord Hunt of Kings Heath
2. Draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2025 – Lord Hunt of Kings Heath

It is expected that items 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be debated together

3. Draft Devon and Torbay Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage
4. Draft Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2024 – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage

5. Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025 – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage
6. Draft Lancashire Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage

TUESDAY 28 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Data (Use and Access) Bill – Report (day 2 of 2) – Lord Vallance of Balham

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

1. Bus Services (No.2) Bill – Committee (day 1 of 4) – Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill

WEDNESDAY 29 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL] (Private Bill) – Third Reading – Lord Harrington of Watford
3. Non- Domestic Ratings (Multipliers and Private Schools) Bill – Second Reading – Lord Khan of Burnley

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4:15pm

Business may be scheduled

THURSDAY 30 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Balloted Debate - *Ballot to be drawn Wednesday 15 January*
3. Topical QSD - ballot drawn Tuesday 21 January
4. Balloted Debate - *Ballot to be drawn Wednesday 15 January*

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

1. Four Questions for Short debate - *Ballot to be drawn on Tuesday 14 January*

FRIDAY 31 JANUARY

The House is expected not to sit

Information

Notes

- *This document informally advertises the business which the Government anticipates the House will take in the coming three sitting weeks. It should be read together with the formal Order Paper produced by the Clerk of the Parliaments, available from the Printed Paper Office and lordsbusiness.parliament.uk*
- *The advertised business on any day may be interrupted for a Ministerial statement*
- *Items marked ‡ are expected to be taken during the dinner or lunch break. This usually starts at around 7.30pm or 1.30pm but may start earlier or later*
- *The number of sessions shown for a stage of a bill represents the Government's assessment of reasonable time given the balance of bills and remaining days to the likely end of the session. Progress remains in the hands of the House. Report stage is usually half the length of Committee*

Recess dates

Subject to the progress of business, the House will be adjourned during the following periods:

- *February:* Friday 14 February to Sunday 23 February
- *Easter:* Friday 4 April to Monday 21 April
- *Whitsun:* Friday 23 May to Sunday 1 June
- *Summer:* Friday 25 July to Sunday 31 August
- *Conference:* Friday 19 September to Sunday 12 October

Sitting Fridays

The House is expected to sit on the following Fridays: 17 January, 7 February, 14 March, 25 April, 16 May, 13 June, 18 July. Further sitting Fridays will be announced in due course.

Questions for short debate

Four balloted questions for short debate will be asked in Grand Committee on Thursday 30 January.

Advice on business

General inquiries

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Advice on the day's expected timing

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Grouping of amendments

Max Bull 07505074325; Room 15

Michael Bleakley 07562 438955; Room 15

Scheduling private members' Bills

Michael Bleakley 07562 438955; Room 15

Arrangement of other business (secondary legislation, debates, QSDs etc)

Charlotte Peters 020-7219 5215; Room 14

Speakers' lists

For most debates, it is necessary to sign-up in advance to speak.

For a trial period from 1 January 2025 until Easter Recess, Speakers' lists will now close at 5pm two working days before a question or debate takes place (4pm on Fridays).

Once lists close the Government Whips' Office consults the usual channels about the order of speakers and then issues an ordered list. To *sign-up to speak* Telephone 020-7219 3131 or use www.lordswhips.org.uk/speakers-lists.

On the day of publication of this edition of Forthcoming Business, the following speakers' lists were open for debates:

Wednesday 15 January Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill –
Second Reading

Thursday 16 January Debate on the challenges to a rules-
based international order, and their
impact on global cohesion, stability and
security

Topical QSD on steps being taken to
support the healthcare system in Gaza

Debate on the growing challenges of the
effects of climate change on natural
ecosystems and the role of nature
conservation in combating global
warming

Debate on Restoration and Renewal
Annual Progress Report

Friday 17 January	Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL] - Second Reading
	Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL] - Second Reading
	Universal Credit (Standard Allowance Entitlement of Care Leavers) Bill [HL] - Second Reading
Monday 20 January	QSD on ceasing the use of hotels to house asylum seekers
Monday 27 January	QSD on consideration given to the impacts in the nations and regions of the UK of the removal of the agricultural property relief for inheritance tax, the increases to employers' National Insurance contributions, and the extension of VAT to private school fees
Wednesday 29 January	Non- Domestic Ratings (Multipliers and Private Schools) Bill