GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE HOUSE OF LORDS

TODAY'S LISTS WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2025

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Business in the Chamber at 3pm

Prayers by the Bishop of Southwark (5 minutes)

Oral Questions (40 minutes)

- *Lord Blunkett to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to prevent political parties, and activities to promote political parties, from receiving funding from outside of the United Kingdom, and whether they plan to grant additional powers to the Electoral Commission in this regard. (Baroness Taylor of Stevenage, MHCLG)
- * Baroness Keeley to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the value to state school pupils of school visits to theatres, museums and galleries, and of the value of a creative education for all pupils. (Baroness Smith of Malvern, DfE)
- * Baroness Hazarika to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to tackle court backlogs, and whether they have considered reducing trial by jury. (Lord Ponsonby, MoJ)

*Lord Hain to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the prospects for the current peace talks involving Israeli and Palestinian leaders. (Baroness Chapman of Darlington, FCDO)

Business expected to be brief

Order of Consideration motion – Lord Vallance of Balham on behalf of Baroness Jones of Whitchurch

Two Statutory Instrument approval motions en bloc – Lord Leong

Statutory Instrument approval motion – Baroness Hayman of Ullock

Statutory Instrument approval motion – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage

Questions on an Urgent Question made in the House of Commons on Tuesday 14 January (10 minutes)

'To ask His Majesty's Government if they will make a statement on the national security risk of drones being used to deliver weapons to high security prisons.' Lord Timpson (MOJ)

Main Business

Financial Assistance to Ukraine Bill (Money Bill) – Second Reading (and Remaining Stages) – Lord Livermore

• Regret Motion - Lord Blencathra

Advisory backbench speaking time: 10 minutes

Speakers:

- L Livermore
- B Neville-Rolfe
- B Smith of Newnham
- L Blencathra
- 5 L Browne of Ladyton
 - B Anelay of St Johns
 - L Beamish
 - L Banner
 - B Batters (Maiden)
- 10 B Wheatcroft
 - L Balfe
 - **B** Goudie
 - L Kempsell
 - L Purvis of Tweed
- 15 L Livermore
 - L Blencathra

Football Governance Bill [HL] - Committee (day 7) - Baroness Twycross

- All members opening or winding are expected to keep remarks within 15 minutes, with the exception of ministers winding up who are expected to keep within 20 minutes.
- Other speakers within each group are expected to keep within 10 minutes.

- Members' speeches should not summarise or repeat at length points made by others, and if speaking more than once a Member should not repeat points they have already made.
- Members pressing or withdrawing an amendment should normally be brief.

Target for the day: to complete Committee stage Grouping of amendments:

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295A, 297A, 297B, 297C, 297D, 297E, 297F, 297G
296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 305, 306, 307 – already debated
Cl 61 S/P, 302, 303, 304, 308, 309, 310, Cl 62 S/P, 318, Cl 63 S/P, Cl 64 S/P
311, 312
313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 319, g320, 321– already debated
322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 333, 334, 335
327, 329
328, g330, 331, 332 – already debated
336, 337, 338, 339
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341, 342
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Estimated rising time

The House will rise at the conclusion of the Committee stage of the Football Governance Bill.

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm

Great British Energy Bill - Committee (day 4) - Lord Hunt of Kings Heath

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- Other speakers within each group are expected to keep within 10 minutes.
- Members' speeches should not summarise or repeat at length points made by others, and if speaking more than once a Member should not repeat points they have already made.
- Members pressing or withdrawing an amendment should normally be brief.

Target for the day: to complete the group beginning with amendment 106

Grouping of amendments:

88, 89, 90A, 92

90, 91 – already debated

93, 121A

94, 102, 103

95, 96, 97, 117

98, 99, 101

100, 104, 105 – already debated

106, 107, 114, 115, 118, 118A

108, 109, 110 – already debated

111, 112, 113

116, 119 - already debated

118B, 129, 130

118C – already debated

122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127

128 – already debated

Estimated Rising Time

The Grand Committee is expected to rise at around 8.15pm.

Notes:

- This document sets out the matters for the day's business which the Government Whips' Office coordinates: Speakers' Lists (Companion 4.26), ministerial statements (Companion 6.02) and the grouping of amendments (Companion 8.70). It is not the formal order paper, which is produced by the Clerk of the Parliaments and is available from the Printed Paper Office and https://lordsbusiness.parliament.uk/
- Time estimates are best endeavours: there is no certainty other than for formally time-limited business. It is the duty of individual members to observe the rules on attendance at debate (Companion 4.32) and, in particular, to ensure that they are present for the start of business in which they wish to take part.

- 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.
- The grouping of amendments is informal. Although every effort is made to secure agreement to groupings, any peer may speak to an amendment in its place on the Marshalled List. "g" before an amendment indicates a Government amendment.
- Speaking in debates (Companion 4.34): A member of the House who is taking part in a debate (including general debates and debates on amendments or motions) should attend the start, end and greater part of that debate. In addition, it is considered discourteous for members not to be present for at least the opening speeches, the speeches before and after their own, and for the winding-up speeches. Ministers may decide not to answer, orally or in writing, points made by a speaker who does not stay to hear the Minister's closing speech. Members who believe that they are unlikely to be able to stay until the end of a debate should not seek to participate in it (and if the debate has a speakers' list, should remove their names from the list).