

GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE
HOUSE OF LORDS

FORTHCOMING BUSINESS
22 MARCH 2017

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WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH 2017

Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Higher Education and Research Bill – Third Reading – Viscount Younger of Leckie
3. Digital Economy Bill – Report (day 2.5 of 2.5†) – Lord Ashton of Hyde

Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

No business scheduled

THURSDAY 23 MARCH 2017

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Technical and Further Education Bill – Report

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Baroness Neville-Rolfe
3. Draft Crown Estate Transfer Scheme 2017 – motion to approve – Baroness Neville-Rolfe
4. Debate on the report from the Science and Technology Committee *A time for boldness: EU membership and UK science after the referendum* – The Earl of Selborne/Lord Prior of Brampton
5. Debate on the report from the EU Committee *Brexit: environment and climate change* – Lord Teverson/Lord Gardiner of Kimble

Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm

No business yet scheduled

FRIDAY 24 MARCH 2017

The House is expected not to sit

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Criminal Finances Bill – Committee (day 1)

MONDAY 27 MARCH 2017

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Technical and Further Education Bill – Report – Lord Nash
3. ‡ Social Security (Personal Independence Payment) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 – prayer to annul – Baroness Bakewell of Hardington Mandeville/Lord Henley & regret motion – Baroness Sherlock/Lord Henley (*dinner break business*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business yet scheduled

TUESDAY 28 MARCH 2017

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Digital Economy Bill – Third Reading

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Criminal Finances Bill – Committee (day 1 of 2†) – Baroness Williams of Trafford
3. ‡ QSD on the maintenance of the UK's position in medical research – Lord Sharkey/Baroness Buscombe (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business yet scheduled

WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH 2017

Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Digital Economy Bill – Third Reading – Lord Ashton of Hyde
3. Draft Horserace Betting Levy Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Ashton of Hyde
4. Resolution relating to reporting on the progress made towards ensuring that qualifying non-UK European Economic Area nationals and their family members are able to retain their fundamental EU-derived rights after the UK has left the EU – Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town/Lord Bridges of Headley
5. Motion relating to the appointment of a joint committee to consider and report on the terms and options for any votes in Parliament on the outcome of the negotiations on the UK's withdrawal from the EU, including how any such votes be taken before any agreement is considered by the European Parliament – Baroness Smith of Basildon/Lord Bridges of Headley

Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

No business yet scheduled

THURSDAY 30 MARCH 2017

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Criminal Finances Bill – Committee (day 2)

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Draft Prescribed Persons (Reports on Disclosures of Information) Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Baroness Buscombe
3. Draft Deregulation Act 2015 and Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 (Consequential Amendments) (Savings) Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Baroness Buscombe
4. Draft Public Sector Apprenticeship Targets Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Viscount Younger of Leckie
5. Draft Local Authorities (Public Health Functions and Entry to Premises by Local Healthwatch Representatives) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Lord O’Shaughnessy
6. Draft European Organization for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Baroness Goldie
Items 7, 8, 9 and 10 are expected to be debated together
7. Draft Electoral Registration Pilot Scheme (England) (Amendment) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Young of Cookham
8. Draft Electoral Registration Pilot Scheme (England and Wales) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Young of Cookham
9. Draft Electoral Registration Pilot Scheme (Scotland) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Young of Cookham
10. Draft Representation of the People (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Young of Cookham
11. Draft West Midlands Combined Authority (Functions and Amendment) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth
12. Draft Combined Authorities (Finance) Order 2017, laid under the Local Democracy – motion to approve – Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth
13. QSD on reviewing the role of the Lord Speaker – Lord Grocott/Baroness Evans of Bowes Park (*time limit 1½ hours*)

Business in Grand Committee at 1.00pm

It is expected that each short debate will start on the hour

1. QSD on the steps being taken to protect and improve local arts and cultural services including museums, libraries and archaeological services – The Earl of Clancarty/Lord Ashton of Hyde (*time limit 1 hour*)
2. QSD on improving the educational attainment of boys of all ages at state schools – Lord Lingfield/Viscount Younger of Leckie (*time limit 1 hour*)
3. QSD on the future role of the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe in the light of the continued conflict in the east of Ukraine and the annexation of Crimea by the Russian Federation – Lord Bowness/Baroness Goldie (*time limit 1 hour*)
4. QSD on plans to guarantee the future of local post offices – Lord Hain/Baroness Buscombe (*time limit 1 hour*)
5. QSD on the cost of alcohol abuse to the National Health Service – Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe/Lord O’Shaughnessy (*time limit 1 hour*)

FRIDAY 31 MARCH 2017

The House is expected not to sit

MONDAY 3 APRIL 2017

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Technical and Further Education Bill – Third Reading

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Criminal Finances Bill – Committee (day 2 of 2†) – Baroness Williams of Trafford
3. ‡ QSD on the progress made in combatting neglected tropical diseases since the London Declaration made in January 2012 – Baroness Hayman/Lord Bates (*dinner break business, time limit one hour*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business yet scheduled

TUESDAY 4 APRIL 2017**Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Technical and Further Education Bill – Third Reading – Lord Nash
3. *Further business will be scheduled*

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business yet scheduled

WEDNESDAY 5 APRIL 2017

Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. *Business will be scheduled*

Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

No business yet scheduled

THURSDAY 6 APRIL 2017

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. *Business will be scheduled*

Business in Grand Committee at 1.00pm

No business yet scheduled

*Easter adjournment:
Friday 7 April 2017 to
Sunday 23 April 2017 inclusive*

Information

Notes

- This document informally advertises the business which the Government anticipates the House will take in the coming three 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 www.parliament.uk/lords
- Timings in italics are estimates only: business may take more or less time than that estimated. Other times are maximums: business may take less time than the maximum
- 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 advertised business on any day may be interrupted for a Ministerial statement
- 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. † indicates agreement in the Usual Channels as to that assessment. Progress remains in the hands of the House. Report stage is usually half the length of Committee

Questions for short debate

The Whips' Office offers time for 1-1½ hour questions for short debate in the order in which they appear in the waiting list in *House of Lords Business*. Members waiting to ask their first QSD of the session are offered time before members who have already asked a QSD this session. The slots available are the dinner breaks on most Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and end of business on Thursdays (though other business, mainly motions in opposition to SIs, competes for this time) and on occasion in Grand Committee. In addition, the Grand Committee meets for a day of up to five 1 hour QSDs at least for every six sitting weeks. To see the Whips' Office progress in scheduling QSDs, visit www.lordswhips.org.uk/qsd.

Sitting Fridays

The House is not expected to sit on any further Fridays in this session.

Recess dates

The Chief Whip has announced that, subject to the progress of business, the House will be adjourned for the following periods in 2017:

- *Easter*: Friday 7 April to Sunday 23 April inclusive
- *May Bank Holiday*: Friday 28 April to Monday 1 May inclusive
- *Whitsun*: Friday 26 May to Monday 5 June inclusive
- *Summer*: Friday 21 July to Monday 4 September inclusive

Further announcements regarding recess dates will be made in due course.

Advice on business

General inquiries

Email
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Website

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020-7219 3131
www.lordswhips.org.uk

Advice on the day's expected timing

Main Office; 020-7219 3131; Room 13

Grouping of amendments

Victoria Warren; 020-7219 1113; Room 14

Scheduling tabled private members' business

Ben Burgess; 020-7219 5215; Room 14

Speakers' Lists

For most debates, it is necessary to sign-up in advance to speak. Speakers' lists close at 6pm on the previous weekday (4pm on Fridays) except when a speakers' list for an afternoon sitting has been open for less than a sitting day, in which case the list closes at 12 noon on the day of the debate. The Government Whips' Office then consults the usual channels about the order of speakers and issues an ordered list of speakers.

To sign-up to speak

Telephone 020-7219 3131

Use the touchscreen in the main office (Room 13, Principal Floor)

Use www.lordswhips.org.uk

To see who has signed-up to speak use the touchscreen in the main office (which has a print facility) or visit www.lordswhips.org.uk.

Current Speakers' Lists

On the morning of publication of this edition of *Forthcoming Business*, the following Speakers' Lists were open:

Thursday 23 March

Debate on the report from the Science and Technology Committee *A time for boldness: EU membership and UK science after the referendum*

Debate on the report from the EU Committee *Brexit: environment and climate change*

Tuesday 28 March

QSD on the UK's position in medical research

Thursday 30 March

QSD on reviewing the role of the Lord Speaker

QSD on the steps being taken to protect and improve local arts and cultural services including museums, libraries and archaeological services

QSD on improving the educational attainment of boys of all ages at state schools

QSD on the future role of the OSCE in the light of the continued conflict in the east of Ukraine and the annexation of Crimea by the Russian Federation

QSD on plans to guarantee the future of local post offices

QSD on the cost of alcohol abuse to the National Health Service

Monday 3 April

QSD on the progress made in combatting neglected tropical diseases since the London Declaration made in January 2012