

GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE
HOUSE OF LORDS

FORTHCOMING BUSINESS
20 APRIL 2017

[Notes about this document are set out at the end]

The date and time for the prorogation of Parliament will be confirmed once the progress of the remaining business is certain.

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

Friday 21 April

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Criminal Finances Bill - Report

MONDAY 24 APRIL 2017

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Tributes to Sir David Beamish KCB, lately Clerk of the Parliaments – Leader of the House
2. Clerk of the Parliaments (Edward Ollard) – declaration; Clerk Assistant (Simon Burton) – appointment; Reading Clerk (Jake Vaughan) – appointment
3. Oral questions (30 minutes)
4. Draft Immigration Act 2016 (Consequential Amendments) (Biometrics and Legal Aid) Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Baroness Williams of Trafford
5. Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Baroness Williams of Trafford
6. Draft Greater Manchester Combined Authority (Functions and Amendment) Order 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth
7. Motion to approve for the purposes of Section 5 of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1993 the Government's assessment as set out in the Budget Report – Baroness Neville-Rolfe
8. QSD on the response to the recommendations made in the report *Race in the workplace: The McGregor-Smith Review* – Baroness McGregor-Smith/Lord Prior of Brampton (*time limit 1½ hours*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business scheduled

TUESDAY 25 APRIL 2017

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Technical and Further Education Bill - Consideration of Commons Amendment and Reason – Lord Nash
3. Neighbourhood Planning Bill – Consideration of Commons Reason and Amendments – Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth
4. Bus Services Bill [HL] – Consideration of Commons Amendments – Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon
5. Criminal Finances Bill – Report & Third Reading – Baroness Williams of Trafford
6. QSD on support for the steel industry and the role it will have in the Government's industrial strategy – Lord Mendelsohn/Lord Prior of Brampton (*time limit 1½ hour*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business scheduled

WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL 2017

Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
Items 2, 3, 4 and 5 are expected to be disposed of formally
2. Local Audit (Public Access to Documents) Bill – Committee – Baroness Eaton/Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth
3. Merchant Shipping (Homosexual Conduct) Bill – Committee – Baroness Scott of Bybrook/Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon
4. Guardianship (Missing Persons) Bill – Committee – Baroness Hamwee/Lord Keen of Elie
5. Farriers (Registration) Bill – Committee – The Earl of Caithness/Lord Gardiner of Kimble
6. *If the Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill is returned from the Commons any Amendments or Reasons will be considered*
7. Northern Ireland (Ministerial Appointments and Regional Rates) Bill – Second Reading (and Remaining Stages) – Lord Dunlop
8. Finance (No. 2) Bill – Second Reading (and Remaining Stages) – Baroness Neville-Rolfe

Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

No business scheduled

THURSDAY 27 APRIL 2017

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
Items 2, 3, 4 and 5 are expected to be disposed of formally
2. Local Audit (Public Access to Documents) Bill – Third Reading – Baroness Eaton/Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth
3. Merchant Shipping (Homosexual Conduct) Bill – Third Reading – Baroness Scott of Bybrook/Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon
4. Guardianship (Missing Persons) Bill – Third Reading – Baroness Hamwee/Lord Keen of Elie
5. Farriers (Registration) Bill – Third Reading – The Earl of Caithness/Lord Gardiner of Kimble
6. *Commons amendments and reasons may be considered this day*
7. Draft Specified Agreement on Driving Disqualifications Regulations 2017 – motion to approve – Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon
8. Education (Student Fees, Awards and Support) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 – regret motion – Lord Clark of Windermere/Lord O’Shaughnessy

Business in Grand Committee at 1.00pm

No business scheduled

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/qlds.

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:

- Summer: Friday 21 July to Monday 4 September inclusive

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

Advice on business

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| General inquiries | Email | holgovernmentwhips@parliament.uk |
| | Telephone | 020-7219 3131 |
| | Website | 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:

Monday 24 April

QSD on the response to the recommendations made in the report *Race in the workplace: The McGregor-Smith Review*

Tuesday 25 April

QSD on support for the steel industry and the role it will have in the Government's industrial strategy

Wednesday 26 April

Northern Ireland (Ministerial Appointments and Regional Rates) Bill – Second Reading

Finance (No. 2) Bill – Second Reading