

GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE
HOUSE OF LORDS

FORTHCOMING BUSINESS
12 FEBRUARY 2020

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WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2020

Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [HL] – Committee (day 2 of 2) – Baroness Vere of Norbiton
3. ‡ QSD on assessing the full implications of decision-making and prediction by algorithm in the public sector – Lord Clement-Jones/Baroness Barran (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

No business scheduled

THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2020

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Debate on the threats posed by pests and diseases to native trees in the UK – Lord Hope of Craighead/Lord Gardiner of Kimble
3. Topical QSD on the safety of smart motorways – Baroness McIntosh of Pickering/Baroness Vere of Norbiton (*time limit 1 hour*)
4. Debate on the report from the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Adoption and Permanence *Investing in families: the Adoption Support Fund beyond 2020* – Lord Russell of Liverpool/Lord Agnew of Oulton

Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm

No business scheduled

**February half-term adjournment:
Friday 14 February to
Sunday 23 February inclusive**

Thursday 20 February

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 1)

Friday 21 February

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Sentencing (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Bill [HL] (Law Commission Bill) – Committee
Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill [HL] – Committee*

MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2020

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 2)

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Terrorist Offenders (Restriction of Early Release) Bill – Second Reading (and remaining stages) – Lord Keen of Elie
3. ‡ QSD on ensuring that at least half of the communal changing or toilet facilities offered in public buildings are reserved for women only – Lord Lucas/Viscount Younger of Leckie (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

1. Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 1 of 4) – Baroness Stedman-Scott

TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2020

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Sentencing (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Bill [HL] (*Law Commission Bill*) – Committee – Lord Keen of Elie
3. Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill [HL] – Committee & Report Stage – Baroness Barran
4. *If necessary, consideration of Commons amendments and/or reasons to the Terrorist Offenders (Restriction of Early Release) Bill*
5. ‡ Electricity and Gas (Energy Company Obligation) (Amendment) Order 2019 – regret motion – Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb/Lord Duncan of Springbank (*dinner break business*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

1. QSD on establishing a trade standards commission in advance of negotiating trade deals – Baroness McIntosh of Pickering/The Earl of Courtown (*time limit 1 hour*)
At 4.30pm
2. QSD on responding to the judgment in *Bates v Post Office* [2019] EWHC 3408; and taking action against the directors responsible for the Horizon Accounting System – Lord Berkeley/Lord Duncan of Springbank (*time limit 1 hour*)
At 5.30pm
3. QSD on the impact of India's Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019, passed on 11 December 2019, on UK citizens, and representations made to the government of India as a result – The Earl of Sandwich/Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon (*time limit 1 hour*)
At 6.30pm:
4. QSD on implementing the recommendations of the report by the House of Commons Women and Equalities Committee *Tackling inequalities faced by Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities* – Baroness Whitaker/Viscount Younger of Leckie (*time limit 1 hour*)

WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2020

Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. NHS Funding Bill (*Money Bill*) – Second Reading (and remaining stages) – Baroness Blackwood of North Oxford
3. Draft Police and Crime Commissioner Elections (Amendment) Order 2020 – motion to approve – Earl Howe

Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

1. Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 2 of 4) – Baroness Stedman-Scott

THURSDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2020

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Fisheries Bill [HL] – Committee (day 1)

Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 3)

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Balloted debate on the case for improved early years interventions to support children and families – The Bishop of Gloucester/Lord Agnew of Oulton (*time limit 2½ hours*)
3. A topical QSD may be taken between the debates (*ballot to be drawn on Tuesday 18 February, time limit 1 hour*)
4. Balloted debate on the government of the United States' proposals for peace between Israelis and Palestinians – Baroness Tonge/Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon (*time limit 2½ hours*)

Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm

No business yet scheduled

FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2020

The House is expected not to sit

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Divorce, Dissolution and Separation Bill [HL] – Committee

PROVISIONAL

MONDAY 2 MARCH 2020

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Fisheries Bill [HL] – Committee (day 2)

Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 4)

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Fisheries Bill [HL] – Committee (day 1 of 4) – Lord Gardiner of Kimble
3. ‡ QSD on the impact of treatment by unregulated and unregistered persons offering psychotherapy or counselling services upon the mental health and wellbeing of their clients – Baroness Jolly/Baroness Blackwood of North Oxford (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

1. Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 3 of 4) – Baroness Stedman-Scott

TUESDAY 3 MARCH 2020

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill [HL] – Third Reading

Extradition (Provisional Arrest) Bill [HL] – Committee (day 1)

Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Divorce, Dissolution and Separation Bill [HL] – Committee – Lord Keen of Elie
3. *Further business will be scheduled*

Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

Items 1 and 2 are expected to be debated together

1. Financing, Management and Monitoring of Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020 – Lord Gardiner of Kimble
2. Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020 – Lord Gardiner of Kimble

Items 3 and 4 are expected to be debated together

3. Draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2020 – Baroness Stedman-Scott
4. Draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2020 – Baroness Stedman-Scott

Items 5 and 6 are expected to be debated together

5. Draft Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 – Baroness Stedman-Scott
6. Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 – Baroness Stedman-Scott

Items 7 and 8 are expected to be debated together

7. Draft Parental Bereavement Leave Regulations 2020 – Lord Duncan of Springbank
8. Draft Statutory Parental Bereavement Pay (General) Regulations 2020 – Lord Duncan of Springbank
9. Draft National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Regulations 2020 – Lord Duncan of Springbank

Items 10 and 11 are expected to be debated together

10. Draft Social Security (Contributions) (Rates, Limits and Thresholds Amendments and National Insurance Funds Payments) Regulations 2020 – The Earl of Courtown
11. Draft Tax Credits, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Regulations 2020 – The Earl of Courtown
12. Draft Employment Allowance (Excluded Persons) Regulations 2020 – The Earl of Courtown

WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 2020

Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill [HL] – Third Reading – Baroness Barran
3. Fisheries Bill [HL] – Committee (day 2 of 4) – Lord Gardiner of Kimble
4. ‡ *Dinner break business will be scheduled*

Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

1. Pension Schemes Bill [HL] – Committee (day 4 of 4) – Baroness Stedman-Scott

THURSDAY 5 MARCH 2020

Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Labour party debate
3. *A topical QSD may be taken between the debates (ballot to be drawn on Tuesday 25 February, time limit 1 hour)*
4. Labour party debate

Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm

1. Extradition (Provisional Arrest) Bill [HL] – Committee (day 1) – Baroness Williams of Trafford

FRIDAY 6 MARCH 2020

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 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. 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 in 2020:

- *February*: Friday 14 February to Sunday 23 February inclusive
- *Easter*: Thursday 2 April to Monday 20 April inclusive
- *VE Day long weekend*: Thursday 7 May to Sunday 10 May inclusive
- *Whitsun*: Friday 22 May to Monday 1 June inclusive
- *Summer*: Wednesday 22 July to Monday 7 September inclusive
- *Conferences*: Friday 18 September to Monday 12 October inclusive

Sitting Fridays

The House is expected to sit on the following Fridays: 13 March, 24 April, 15 May, 12 June and 10 July. Further sitting Fridays will be announced in due course.

Questions for short debate

A member who wishes to ask a QSD must first table it with the clerks in the Table Office. The question is then printed in a running list in House of Lords Business, a House publication. Members should then consult the Government Whips' Office to agree upon a suitable date when the question can be asked. Otherwise the Government Whips' Office offers time to members to ask QSDs in the order in which they appear in the list in House of Lords Business. 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 four 1 hour QSDs at least for every five sitting weeks. To see the Whips' Office progress in scheduling QSDs and for more detailed guidance, visit www.lordswhips.org.uk/qlds.

Advice on business

<i>General inquiries</i>	Email	holgovernmentwhips@parliament.uk
	Telephone	020-7219 3131
	Website	www.lordswhips.org.uk
<i>Advice on the day's expected timing</i>	Main Office; 020-7219 3131; Room 13	
<i>Grouping of amendments</i>	Anishaa Aubeeluck; 020-7219 1113; Room 14	
<i>Scheduling private members' business</i>	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 see who has signed-up to speak visit www.lordswhips.org.uk/speakers-lists.

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/speakers-lists

Current Speakers' Lists

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

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| Thursday 13 February | Debate on the threats posed by pests and diseases to native trees in the UK
Topical QSD on the safety of smart motorways
Debate on the report from the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Adoption and Permanence <i>Investing in families: the Adoption Support Fund beyond 2020</i> |
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QSD on ensuring that at least half of the communal changing or toilet facilities offered in public buildings are reserved for women only |
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QSD on responding to the judgment in <i>Bates v Post Office</i> [2019] EWHC 3408; and taking action against the directors responsible for the Horizon Accounting System
QSD on the impact of India's Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019, passed on 11 December 2019, on UK citizens, and representations made to the government of India as a result
QSD on implementing the recommendations of the report by the House of Commons Women and Equalities Committee <i>Tackling inequalities faced by Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities</i> |
| Wednesday 26 February | NHS Funding Bill (<i>Money Bill</i>) – Second Reading |
| Thursday 27 February | Balloted debate on the case for improved early years interventions to support children and families
Balloted debate on the government of the United States' proposals for peace between Israelis and Palestinians |
| Monday 2 March | QSD on the impact of treatment by unregulated and unregistered persons offering psychotherapy or counselling services upon the mental health and wellbeing of their clients |

PENSION SCHEMES BILL [HL]

Committee calendar

The House has committed the Pension Schemes Bill to a Grand Committee. *Forthcoming Business* indicates that the Usual Channels intend that the Bill should complete its Committee stage in four sessions. This document, agreed in the Usual Channels, sets out the subject matter expected to be covered each day. It is non-binding and may be revised, but it is intended to help participants with grouping and planning their own participation in the proceedings.

Session	Date	Clauses	Policy
1	Monday 24 February	Clauses 1-117	Collective Money Purchase Benefits Collective Money Purchase Benefits: Northern Ireland The Pensions Regulator
2	Wednesday 26 February	Clauses 118-128	Pensions Dashboard Further Provisions relating to Pension Schemes
3	Monday 2 March		
4	Wednesday 4 March	Clauses 129-131	Final: Extent and Commencement