

**GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE
HOUSE OF LORDS**

**TODAY'S LISTS
TUESDAY 20 MAY 2025**

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Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

Prayers by the Bishop of Gloucester (5 minutes)

Oral Questions (40 minutes)

- * Lord Addington to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have a plan to support the use of assistive technology throughout an individual's education and adult life. **(Baroness Smith of Malvern, DfE)**
- * Baroness Alexander of Clevedon to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reverse recent declines in healthy life expectancy, and to address poverty-related inequalities in life expectancy. **(Baroness Merron, DHSC)**
- * Baroness Anelay of St Johns to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in establishing a Contact Group for Sudan ceasefire talks. **(Lord Collins of Highbury, FCDO)**
- * Lord Marks of Henley-on-Thames to ask His Majesty's Government, following the exoneration of Peter Sullivan after 38 years in prison, what assessment they have made of performance of the Criminal Cases Review Commission in dealing with cases of miscarriage of justice quickly and decisively. **(Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede, MoJ)**

Questions on an Urgent Question made in the House of Commons on Monday 19 May (10 minutes)

'To ask His Majesty's Government if they will make a statement regarding the NHS Volunteer and Care Service'. Baroness Merron (DHSC)

Main Business

Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill - Committee (day 1 of 7) - Baroness Smith of Malvern

- 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 the group beginning with amendment 34

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Dinner Break Business - at a convenient point around 7.30pm

Questions on an Oral Statement made in the House of Commons on Monday 19 May
(40 minutes)

‘Legal Aid Agency: Cybersecurity Incident’ - Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede (MoJ)

Estimated rising time

The House is expected to rise at around 10pm

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/>*
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- *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.*
- *"g" before an amendment indicates a Government amendment.*
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