



The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 5, No. 75 Session 4

Meeting of the Parliament

Thursday 28 January 2016

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 11.40 am.

1. General Questions: Questions were answered by a Cabinet Secretary and Ministers.

2. First Minister's Questions: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Nicola Sturgeon).

3. World Leprosy Day: The Parliament debated S4M-14761 in the name of Bruce Crawford—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the fantastic work that is being carried out by the Stirling-based organisation, The Leprosy Mission (TLM) Scotland, in helping people across the globe who have leprosy; understands that it is estimated that between 600 and 700 people, particularly those living in extreme poverty, are diagnosed with the disease every day; considers that TLM Scotland is having a significant impact across the world and acknowledges its work in helping people to achieve freedom from stigma and poverty, and hopes that World Leprosy Day, which will be marked on 31 January 2016, will assist in bringing awareness and increased recognition to its cause.

4. Succession (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5A, 5B, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

5. Succession (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs (Paul Wheelhouse) moved S4M-15440—That the Parliament agrees that the Succession (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Bill: The Cabinet Secretary for Justice (Michael Matheson) moved S4M-15441—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution: The Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Constitution and Economy (John Swinney) moved S4M-14926—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

The meeting closed at 5.00 pm.

P E Grice
Clerk of the Parliament
28 January 2016

Appendix

(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

New Bills introduced on 28 January 2016

Budget (Scotland) (No.5) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision, for financial year 2016/17, for the use of resources by the Scottish Administration and certain bodies whose expenditure is payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund, for the maximum amounts of borrowing by certain statutory bodies and for authorising the payment of sums out of the Fund; to make provision, for financial year 2017/18, for authorising the payment of sums out of the Fund on a temporary basis; and for connected purposes.. (SP Bill 86) (Budget Bill)

Introduced by: John Swinney

Supported by: Nicola Sturgeon, Joe FitzPatrick

Accompanying documents (SP Bill 86-AD) were printed to accompany the Bill

Subordinate Legislation

Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 28 January 2016 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Reservoirs (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/43)
laid under section 114(3) of the Reservoirs (Scotland) Act 2011

Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 (Relevant Services in relation to Children at Risk of Becoming Looked After etc.) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/44)
laid under section 99(4) of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014

Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/46)
laid under section 96(5) of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

Public Contracts (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/47)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/49)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

Orkney Islands (Landing of Crabs and Lobsters) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/50)
laid under section 20 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967

Police Service of Scotland (Senior Officers) (Performance) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/51)

laid under section 125 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

Water and Sewerage Services Licences (Cross-Border Applications) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/52)
laid under section 34(3) of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Act 2005

National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/53)
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

Laid only instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 28 January 2016 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Reservoirs (Scotland) Act 2011 (Commencement No. 5 and Transitional Provision) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/42 (C.7))
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Water Act 2014 (Commencement No. 2) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/48 (C.8))
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 28 January 2016 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Scotland's Budget Documents 2016-17: Budget (Scotland) Bill Supporting Document for the year ending 31 March 2017 (SG/2016/1)
laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power

Report to the Scottish Parliament in Respect of Changes to the National Health Service Pension Scheme (Scotland) (SG/2016/10)
laid under section 22 of The Public Service Pensions Act 2013

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 28 January 2016—

Equal Opportunities Committee, 1st Report, 2016 (Session 4): Removing Barriers: race, ethnicity and employment (SP Paper 890)

The following reports are being published on 29 January 2016—

Scottish Commission for Public Audit, 1st Report, 2016 (Session 4): Audit Scotland's budget proposal for 2016-17 (SP Paper 892)

Health and Sport Committee, 3rd report 2016 (Session 4): Transplantation (Authorisation of Removal of Organs etc.) (Scotland) Bill - Stage 1 Report (SP paper 894)

Finance Committee, 2nd Report, 2016 (Session 4): Report on Draft Budget 2016-17 (SP Paper 897)

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