



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

7th Meeting, 2013 (Session 4)

Tuesday 26 February 2013

Present:

Nigel Don (Convener)	Jim Eadie
Mike MacKenzie	Hanzala Malik
John Pentland	John Scott
Stewart Stevenson (Deputy Convener)	

The meeting opened at 10.32 am.

1. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

[Police and Fire Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2012 \(Supplementary, Transitional, Transitory and Saving Provisions\) Order 2013 \[draft\];](#)
[National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2013 \[draft\].](#)

2. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee agreed to draw the attention of the Parliament to the following—

[Police Service of Scotland Regulations 2013 \(SSI 2013/35\);](#)
[Non-Domestic Rating \(Unoccupied Property\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2013 \(SSI 2013/37\);](#)
[Police Service of Scotland \(Special Constables\) Regulations 2013 \(SSI 2013/43\);](#)

and that no points arose on the following—

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2013 \(SSI 2013/48\);](#)
[Council Tax Reduction \(State Pension Credit\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2013 \(SSI 2013/49\);](#)

[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2013 \(SSI 2013/53\).](#)

In relation to both the Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/48) and the Council Tax Reduction (State Pension Credit) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 (SSI 2013/49), the Convener proposed that the Committee considers that the Regulations are intra vires and should not be drawn to the attention of the Parliament on the basis that they may raise a devolution issue. The proposals were agreed to by division (For 4, Against 3, Abstentions 0).

3. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

[Police and Fire Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2012 \(Commencement No. 3 and Transitory Provision\) Order 2013 \(SSI 2013/47 \(C.4\)\);](#)
[Police and Fire Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2012 \(Commencement No. 4, Transitory and Transitional Provisions\) Order 2013 \(SSI 2013/51 \(C.5\)\).](#)

4. **Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1 and agreed to seek further information from the Scottish Government.
5. **Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee noted the Scottish Government's response to its Stage 1 report.

The meeting closed at 11.02 am.

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