



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

DELEGATED POWERS AND LAW REFORM COMMITTEE

MINUTES

28th Meeting, 2018 (Session 5)

Tuesday 25 September 2018

Present:

Tom Arthur	Neil Bibby (Committee Substitute)
Bill Bowman (Committee Substitute)	Stuart McMillan (Deputy Convener)
Graham Simpson (Convener)	

Also present: Mark Griffin.

Apologies were received from Neil Findlay, Alison Harris.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 in private.
2. **Prescription (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2.

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 1 and 2.

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

6 (For 1, Against 4, Abstentions 0)

7 (For 1, Against 4, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn: 3 and 5.

Amendment 4 was not moved.

The following provisions were agreed to without amendment: sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 and the long title.

Section 7 was agreed to as amended.

The Committee completed Stage 2 consideration of the Bill.

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

[Common Financial Tool \(Scotland\) Regulations 2018 \[draft\]](#).
4. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

[Special Restrictions on Adoptions from Ethiopia \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \(SSI 2018/272\)](#).
5. **Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1 and agreed to consider a draft report at a future meeting.
6. **Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee agreed the contents of a report to the Health and Sport Committee.
7. **Vulnerable Witnesses (Criminal Evidence) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee agreed to consider further at next week's meeting, the contents of a report to the Justice Committee.
8. **Trade Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee agreed to defer consideration of its report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum to next week's meeting.
9. **Offensive Weapons Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee considered the powers to make subordinate legislation conferred on Scottish Ministers in the [Offensive Weapons Bill](#) (UK Parliament legislation) and agreed to consider a draft report at a future meeting.

The meeting closed at 10.54 am.

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