DELEGATED POWERS AND LAW REFORM COMMITTEE

MINUTES

28th Meeting, 2018 (Session 5)

Tuesday 25 September 2018

Present:

Tom Arthur
Bill Bowman (Committee Substitute)
Graham Simpson (Convener)

Neil Bibby (Committee Substitute)
Stuart McMillan (Deputy 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   The following amendments were moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn: 3 and 5.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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