

# Parliamentary Bureau – Approval of Scottish Statutory Instrument

## Affirmative Instrument – expedited timetable

### [The Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)

1. The above instrument allows access to a number of benefits for those coming to Scotland from Israel, the Occupied Palestinian Territories (the West Bank including East Jerusalem, and Gaza) and the occupied Golan Heights to escape violence. So that the legislation coincides as closely as possible with similar legislation which came into force in the UK on 18 July, the Scottish Government is requesting that the instrument be considered under an expedited procedure, with a laying date of 3 September, coming into force on 11 September 2025.
2. The Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee will consider the instrument on the morning of 9 September. The Clerk will provide an oral update during the Bureau meeting on whether any issues were raised by the Committee.
3. The Social Justice and Social Security Committee is content, given the urgent nature of the SSI, for the Bureau to recommend that it goes straight to the Chamber, without being considered by the Committee.

## Decision

4. In order for the intended timescales to be met, the Bureau is invited to consider—
  - recommending to Parliament that the instrument be referred to the Parliament (a motion to this effect can be taken on Tuesday 9 September).
  - that the SSI be taken in the Chamber on Wednesday 10 September.

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