

Monday 16 December 2019

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Today's Business  
*Gnothaichean an-diugh*

Future Business  
*Gnothaichean ri teachd*

Motions & Questions  
*Gluasadan agus Ceistean*

Legislation  
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Other  
*Eile*

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## Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 11 December 2019

### Tuesday 17 December 2019

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Rev. Robert JM Anderson, Minister, Knockando, Elchies and Archiestown with Rothes Parish Church, Moray

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-20197 Alex Rowley: A Menu for Change's Report, Found Wanting

### Wednesday 18 December 2019

**1:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

Health and Sport

Communities and Local Government

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-18859 James Dornan: Financial Abuse to be Recognised Fully as Coercive and Controlling Behaviour

### Thursday 19 December 2019

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**1:45 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:45 pm** Stage 3 Proceedings: Referendums (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

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## Tuesday 7 January 2020

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Local Government and Communities Committee Debate: Empty Homes in Scotland

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Wednesday 8 January 2020

**1:15 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:15 pm** Members' Business

**followed by** Portfolio Questions: Social Security and Older People; Finance, Economy and Fair Work

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Thursday 9 January 2020

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**12:45 pm** Members' Business

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

17 December 2019

35th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Rural Affairs and the Natural Environment;  
Andrew Voas, Veterinary Head of Animal Welfare, Leia Fitzgerald, Wildlife Management Team Leader, Hazel Reilly, Solicitor, and Grant McLarty, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
2. **Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at [ecclr.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:ecclr.committee@parliament.scot).

### Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

17 December 2019

36th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Energy Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Rebecca Lunn, Energy Inquiry Deputy Chair, Professor Gareth Harrison, Energy Inquiry Committee Member, Professor John Underhill, Energy Inquiry Committee Member, Fellow, and Professor Gavin Little, Energy Inquiry Committee Member, Royal Society of Edinburgh.
3. **Energy Inquiry:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

#### Proposed future business

The Committee will next meet on 14 January. For further information, contact Alison Walker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are [economy@parliament.scot](mailto:economy@parliament.scot) on extension 0131 348 5403.

## Health and Sport Committee

17 December 2019

30th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Official Feed and Food Controls (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/407).
2. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS Grampian:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
  
Rhona Atkinson, Vice Chair, Dr Adam Coldwells, Deputy Chief Executive, and Alan Gray, Director of Finance, NHS Grampian;  
Pamela Dudek, Chief Officer, Moray Health and Social Care Partnership;  
Sandra Ross, Chief Officer, Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Partnership;  
Angie Wood, Chief Officer, Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership.
3. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS Grampian (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Social Care Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 14 January, the Committee expects to consider the Supply and Demand for Medicines inquiry.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Cullum on 0131 348 5210 or by email [HealthandSport@parliament.scot](mailto:HealthandSport@parliament.scot)

## Justice Committee

17 December 2019

31st Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence, in a round-table discussion, on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Susie Dalton, Children's Policy Lead, Scottish Women's Aid;  
Sue McKellar, Improving Justice in Child Contact Project Coordinator, Scottish Women's Aid;  
Megan Farr, Policy Officer, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland;  
Dr Fiona Morrison, Lecturer in Child Protection and Wellbeing, Stirling University;  
Professor Kay Tisdall, Chair of Childhood Policy, University of Edinburgh;  
and then from—  
Professor Elaine Sutherland, Professor of Child and Family Law, Stirling University;  
Dr Richard Whitecross, Associate Professor in Dispute Resolution, Delict and Professional Practice, Edinburgh Napier University.
2. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 5 December 2019.

3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact Stephen Imrie, Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email [stephen.imrie@parliament.scot](mailto:stephen.imrie@parliament.scot)

## **Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee**

**17 December 2019**

**2nd Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Preliminary Stage from—  
Douglas Thomson, President, Society of Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (SSC Society);  
  
Sarah Erskine, Vice-President, SSC Society;  
  
Donald Skinner-Reid, Treasurer and Collector, SSC Society;  
  
Robert Shiels, Secretary, SSC Society;  
  
Christine Wilcox, Keeper of the Library, SSC Society;  
  
Gregor Clark, drafting adviser to the SSC Society.
3. **Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting, whether to seek any further evidence, and its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Preliminary Stage.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Felicity Hollands on 0131 348 6234 or by email [private.bills@parliament.scot](mailto:private.bills@parliament.scot)

## **Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee**

**17 December 2019**

**34th Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 10:45 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 7, 8 and 9 in private.
2. **Consideration of the work of the Committee during the parliamentary year 2018-19:**  
The Committee will take evidence from—  
Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans;  
Gerald Byrne, Constitution and UK Relations Division, Alison Coull, Legal Directorate, Susan Herbert, Legislation Delivery Manager, Parliament and Legislation Unit, and



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Brian Peddie, EU Exit Legislation Delivery Manager, Parliament and Legislation Unit, Scottish Government.

3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider whether the following instruments have been laid under the appropriate procedure and given the appropriate categorisation—  
[Public Procurement etc. \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/414\);](#)  
[Environmental Impact Assessment \(Transport\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/415\)](#)
4. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Relevant Adjustments to Common Parts \(Disabled Persons\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
5. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Public Procurement etc. \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/414\);](#)
6. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Social Security \(Scotland\) Act 2018 \(Commencement No. 2, Transitory and Saving Provision and Commencement No. 4 and Saving Provision\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/406\);](#)  
[Management of Offenders \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/413 \(C.22\)\);](#)  
[Management of Offenders \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 3 and Transitory Provision\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/417 \(C.23\)\)](#)
7. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
8. **Referendums (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
9. **Consideration of the work of the Committee during the parliamentary year 2018-19:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Andrew Proudfoot on 0131 3485212 or by email [dplr.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:dplr.committee@parliament.scot).

### **Local Government and Communities Committee**

**18 December 2019**

**32nd Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
 Nicola Bristow, Community and Grants Co-Ordinator, Plan International UK;  
 Eilidh Dickson, Policy and Parliamentary Manager, Engender;  
 Erin Campbell, MSYP for Midlothian North and Musselburgh and the Deputy Convener of SYP's Equalities and Human Rights Committee, Scottish Youth Parliament;  
 Siobhan McCready, Equalities Stand Down Officer, Unite the Union Scotland;

- Erin Slaven, Co-founder, On the Ball;  
and then from—  
Sheena Stewart, University Secretary at Abertay University, Universities Scotland;  
Councillor Alison Evison, President, COSLA;  
Celia Hodson, Chief Executive, Hey Girls;  
Gail Anderson, Chief Executive, The Orkney Partnership (by video link);  
Carolyn Hope, Acting Senior Manager, Facilities Management, North Ayrshire Council.
- Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
  - Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 8 January, the Committee will take evidence on; the Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill; the Financial overview Report from the Accounts Commission and the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill from COSLA. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5232 or [LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot](mailto:LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot)

### **Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee**

**18 December 2019**

**35th Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

- Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Jonnie Hall, Director of Policy, NFU Scotland;  
Lizzy Baxter, NFU Scotland Next Generation Representative, NFUS Next Generation Committee;  
Yvonne White, Chair, Scottish Crofting Federation;  
Christopher Nicholson, Chairman, Scottish Tenant Farmers Association;  
Eleanor Kay, Policy Adviser (Agriculture & Forestry), Scottish Land & Estates.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—the Official Controls (Agriculture) (Scotland) Regulations 2019.
- Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard at agenda item 1.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 8 January, the Committee expects to take evidence on the Queensferry Crossing and Public Transport Strategy.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at [rec.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:rec.committee@parliament.scot)

### **Finance and Constitution Committee**

**18 December 2019**

**29th Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Budget Submission 2020/2021:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body's Budget Submission 2020/2021 from—  
Liam McArthur, MSP, Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body;  
David McGill, Clerk/Chief Executive, Derek Croll, Group Head of Finance Resources, and Michelle Hegarty, Assistant Chief Executive, Scottish Parliament.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to developing its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jim Johnston at [Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot](mailto:Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot)

### **Social Security Committee 19 December 2019 27th Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Social Security Assistance (Investigation of Offences) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] from—  
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Scottish Government;  
Meg Fowler, Head of Fraud and Error Resolution Division, Social Security Scotland;  
Paul Curtis, Team Leader, Fraud, Overpayments and Uprating Policy, and Colin Brown, Senior Principal Legal Officer, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Shirley-Anne Somerville (Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People) to move—  
S5M-20206—That the Social Security Committee recommends that the Social Security Assistance (Investigation of Offences) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Scottish Tribunals (Eligibility for Appointment) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/384)
4. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take work programme discussions in private.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 16 January, the Committee expects to consider its work programme in private. For further information contact Anne Peat, Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5182 or at [SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot)

### **Equalities and Human Rights Committee 19 December 2019 30th Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Race equality in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Christina McKelvie, Minister for Older People and Equalities, Hilary Third, Race Equality Team Leader, and Paul Johnston, Director-General of Education, Communities and Justice, Scottish Government, Scottish Government.

2. **Race equality in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

The Committee's next meeting will take place on 16 January 2020. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 6040 or by emailing [equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot](mailto:equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot)

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Motions   Gluasadan				

## Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-20216](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Gran Braves the Shave (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Richard Lyle\*

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## Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

### Written questions lodged on 13 December 2019

**[S5W-26726](#) Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will detail the process for pharmacists purchasing (a) liothyronine (T3) and (b) other medication from pharmaceutical manufacturers.

**[S5W-26727](#) Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on the impact of the availability of liothyronine (T3) on people with an under-active thyroid.

**[S5W-26728](#) Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government who determines the dosage, e.g. 5mg, 10mg or 20mg, of liothyronine (T3) in tablets that can be sourced by pharmacists for people with an under-active thyroid.

**[S5W-26729](#) Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on whether pharmaceutical companies produce various dosages, e.g. 5mg, 10mg or 20mg, of liothyronine (T3) medication, and what its position is on whether these should be made available to people with an under-active thyroid.

**[S5W-26730](#) Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether people who require liothyronine (T3) medication should have to purchase this from overseas due to a lack of availability in Scotland.

**[S5W-26731](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether there will be a third round of the Local Rail Development Fund.

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New Bills   Bilean Ùra				

## New Bills and Accompanying Documents

### New Accompanying Documents printed on 13 December 2019

**Referendums (Scotland) Bill**—Revised Explanatory Notes have been printed. (SP Bill 46A-EN) (Government Bill).

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Members' Bills Proposals   Molaidhean airson Bilean Buill				

## Members' Bills Proposals

### Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no statement is made that the Scottish Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 5 Proposals:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx>

### Final Proposals for Member's Bills

**Pauline McNeill MSP: Proposed Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill**—Proposal for a Bill to protect private sector tenants by introducing measures to limit rent increases and to increase the availability of information about rent levels (lodged 14 November 2019).

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

Supported by: **Jackie Baillie, Iain Gray, Monica Lennon, Claire Baker, Elaine Smith, Johann Lamont, Neil Findlay, John Finnie, Mark Griffin R, Colin Smyth, Rhoda Grant, Richard Leonard, Claudia Beamish, Alex Rowley, Patrick Harvie, Willie Rennie, James Kelly, Lewis Macdonald, Alex Cole-Hamilton, Mark Ruskell, Mark McDonald, Daniel Johnston, Ross Greer, Jeremy Balfour, Anas Sarwar, Jenny Marra, Alison Johnstone, Andy Wightman**



## Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the Scottish Parliament website at:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

### **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 17 December 2019

### **Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 10 December 2019

### **Children (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (briefing, lead committee (Justice)), 17 December 2019

### **Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 31 October 2019

### **Consumer Scotland Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)), 26 November 2019

### **Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 2 December 2019

**Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills Committee)), 20 November 2019

**Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 18 December 2019

**Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (Health and Sport Committee), 3 December 2019

**Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 4 December 2019

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

**Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities), 20 November 2019

**Protection of Workers (Retail and Age-restricted Goods and Services) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 10 October 2019

*Lead committee – Economy, Energy and Fair Work*

**Referendums (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 19 December 2019

**Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 9 January 2020

*Stage 1 Report (Justice Committee) published, 9 December 2019*

**Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)**

*Stage 2 (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 16 January 2020*

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 10 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

**Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities Committee)), 5 December 2019

**Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 19 November 2019

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

**Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill (P)**

Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 17 December 2019

**UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 17 December 2019

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## UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Legal Continuity) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 21 March 2018

*Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.*

## Legislative Consent Memorandums

The UK Parliament dissolved on 6 November 2019. There are currently no Legislative Consent Memorandums being considered by the Scottish Parliament.

**A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:**

<http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

**Subordinate Legislation** (*date of laying*) (lead committee)

### Affirmative instruments

#### Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

[Criminal Justice \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Support for Vulnerable Persons\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (01 November 2019) (Justice)

#### Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

[Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Ancillary Provision\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (08 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

[Environment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (08 November 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

#### Lead Committee report due by 20 January 2019

[Social Security Assistance \(Investigation of Offences\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (26 November 2019) (Social Security Committee)

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[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Justice Committee)

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[Relevant Adjustments to Common Parts \(Disabled Persons\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (06 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

## Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020**  
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[Police Pensions Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/380\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/421) (11 December 2019)

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/381\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

[Firefighters' Pension and Compensation Schemes \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/382\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

Sea Fish (Prohibited Methods of Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/419) (12 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Scottish Tribunals \(Eligibility for Appointment\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/384\)](#) (14 November 2019) (Social Security)

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**Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020**

[Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/393\)](#) (18 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

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**Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020**

Official Feed and Food Controls (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/407) (28 November 2019) (Health and Sport)

**Subject to annulment by 26 January 2020**  
**Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020**

[Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial \(Scotland\) Revocation Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/408\)](#) (02 December 2019) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 27 January 2020**  
**Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[Official Controls \(Agriculture etc.\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/412\)](#) (03 December 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

**Subject to annulment by 29 January 2020**  
**Lead committee to report by 27 January 2020**

[Public Procurement etc. \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/414\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

[Environmental Impact Assessment \(Transport\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/415\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Rural economy and Connectivity)

### Instruments/documents laid for consultation

#### Lead committee report due 06 February 2020

The following instruments/documents were laid before the Parliament on 15 November 2019 for approval—

Proposed Draft Order – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/248) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

Proposed Explanatory Document – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 ((S/2019/249) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 13 December 2019 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

#### **TS Prestwick Holdco Ltd Annual Report and Financial Statements 31 March 2019**

**SG/2019/268** laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power.

**Bòrd na Gàidhlig Aithisg Bhliadhnail & Cunntasan 2018/19 Bòrd na Gàidhlig Annual Report & Accounts 2018/19 SG/2019/265** laid under paragraph 9 of schedule 1 of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Sgrùdadh 2018/19 air Bòrd na Gàidhlig/The 2018/19 audit of Bòrd na Gàidhlig SG/2019/266** laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance & Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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