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Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
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Scottish Law Commission Bills

Further to the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee's 67th Report of Session 5 (SP Paper 858), the Presiding Officer's Determination to identify a Scottish Law Commission Bill as defined in Rule 9.17A of Standing Orders has been updated for Session 6 as follows— As well as implementing all or part of a report of the Scottish Law Commission, the definition of a Scottish Law Commission Bill includes criteria to be determined by the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer has determined under Rule 9.17A.1(b) that a Scottish Law Commission Bill is a Bill within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament the primary purpose of which is to— (a) simplify, modernise or improve the law to— (i) ensure it is fit for purpose, (ii) respond to developments, or address deficiencies, in the common law, or (iii) respond to other developments in the law (b) make provision which is not likely to generate substantial controversy among stakeholders. Consideration should also be given by the Parliamentary Bureau to whether there are any wider legislative proposals expected within two years beginning with the date of introduction of the Bill (or by the end of the same session if sooner), which relate closely to the same particular aspect of law as the Bill. Where further legislation is expected, regard should be had to whether scrutiny of the overall proposed law change would be aided by both pieces of legislation being referred to the committee that would be designated lead committee were Rule 6.11.1(g) not to apply.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

12:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12:30 pm First Minister's Questions

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

followed by Ministerial Statement:
Implications of the Administration of Greensill
Capital UK for Businesses in Scotland

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Dogs
(Protection of Livestock) (Amendment)
(Scotland) Bill

followed by Motion of Thanks

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:45 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

9:30am Public Petitions Committee

10:15am Education and Skills Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

12:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12:30 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04920](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04921](#))
- 3. Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04922](#))
- 4. Alison Johnstone:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04923](#))
- 5. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the First Minister how many unpaid carers have been vaccinated to date. ([S5F-04925](#))
- 6. Jamie Greene:** To ask the First Minister for what reason more than 700 schools have not been inspected in over a decade. ([S5F-04927](#))
- 7. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that local authorities with the highest deprivation rates are least likely to approve Self-Isolation Support Grant applications. ([S5F-04929](#))

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions—Local Government and Communities: Qs 4 and 5; Qs 6 and 8

Education and Skills

- 1. Johann Lamont:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out of the number of school pupils in Glasgow experiencing digital exclusion. ([S5O-05138](#))
- 2. Sandra White:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with Glasgow City Council regarding the provision of Gaelic medium education. ([S5O-05139](#))
- 3. Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what resources it has provided for investment in the West College Scotland campus. ([S5O-05140](#))
- 4. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support lifelong learning and re-skilling. ([S5O-05141](#))
- 5. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it will provide to schools in light of its announcement regarding the full-time return of pupils in April. ([S5O-05142](#))
- 6. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what it is doing to ensure that pupils are able to catch up on any learning lost as a result of school closures. ([S5O-05143](#))
- 7. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to assist children from the poorest backgrounds with their education. ([S5O-05144](#))
- 8. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its roadmap for higher education students to return to university. ([S5O-05145](#))

Health and Sport

- 1. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial commitment it has made to support the delivery of the refreshed Heart Disease Improvement Plan. ([S5O-05146](#))
- 2. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it is planning to address the backlog in cervical screening appointments that has arisen because of the COVID-19 pandemic, and whether this will include offering HPV self-testing. ([S5O-05147](#))
- 3. Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure wider accessibility to organised sport for children and young people once restrictions on this are lifted. ([S5O-05148](#))
- 4. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to research by the University of Edinburgh suggesting that more than half of severe COVID-19 cases were as a result of transmission in hospital during the second wave of the pandemic. ([S5O-05149](#))
- 5. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the short review into cancer pathway arrangements and reimbursement of travel expenses for patients in Dumfries and Galloway, which it committed to carrying out on 24 November 2020. ([S5O-05150](#))
- 6. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken to reduce hospital waiting times. ([S5O-05151](#))
- 7. Tom Arthur:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting mental health services in the Renfrewshire South constituency. ([S5O-05152](#))
- 8. Bill Kidd:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to encourage women and girls to participate in organised sport. ([S5O-05153](#))

Communities and Local Government

- 1. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on increasing levels of community engagement since the enactment of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015. ([S5O-05154](#))
- 2. Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it will provide for the regeneration of the city centre and beachfront in Aberdeen. ([S5O-05155](#))
- 3. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met Orkney Islands Council and what was discussed. ([S5O-05156](#))
- 4. Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its housing strategy. ([S5O-05157](#))
- 5. Maureen Watt:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to take forward the recommendations by the tenement maintenance working group in its strategy, Housing to 2040. ([S5O-05158](#))
- 6. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to increase the number of affordable homes. ([S5O-05159](#))
- 7. Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent supporting communities affected by COVID-19 in the last year. ([S5O-05160](#))
- 8. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government how many affordable homes it has delivered since 2007. ([S5O-05161](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Implications of the Administration of Greensill Capital UK for Businesses in Scotland

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill

[S5M-24270](#) Emma Harper: Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland)

Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Motion of Thanks

[S5M-24442](#) Nicola Sturgeon: Motion of Thanks—That the Parliament expresses its thanks to its Presiding Officer, Ken Macintosh, for his service to the Parliament and pays tribute to all of those Members who are standing down at the end of this session.

followed by Business Motions

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followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:45 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified.

Public Petitions Committee 7th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
 - PE1517: Polypropylene Mesh Medical Devices;
 - PE1610: Upgrade the A75 and PE1657: A77 upgrade;
 - PE1651: Prescribed drug dependence and withdrawal;
 - PE1722: Parking charges at island lifeline ferry ports; and
 - PE1841: Allow a designated visitor into care homes.
3. **Legacy paper (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft legacy paper.

Education and Skills Committee 11th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 10:15 am in a virtual meeting

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
 - The Looked After Children (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/103)
3. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2020 to 25 March 2021
4. **Coronavirus and education:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 - John Swinney MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, Scottish Government.
5. **Review of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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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.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-24454 Emma Harper: Well Done to Stranraer Can Do Participants** —That the Parliament congratulates all of the Dumfries and Galloway College Stranraer campus participants in the Leonard Cheshire Can Do project, which concluded on 23 March 2021 with a virtual awards ceremony at the Stranraer Campus; understands that the Can Do project encourages those aged 16 to 35 with additional support needs to gain new life skills through training and volunteering opportunities in the local community and that the students have been learning about different activities that can support improved mental health and wellbeing from a range of groups in the local area; notes that, due to lockdown, the students have also been taking part, and learning new skills, via virtual means; further understands that the students, working with local businesses like Tammy's Sweet Stems, which is based in Newton Stewart, learned flower arranging skills, and with third sector groups like A Listening Ear in Wigtownshire, worked with people who may be at risk of social isolation and loneliness, particularly during the COVID-19 restrictions; further notes that, as part of the programme, the participants produced and named teddies, with accompanying stories, which were given to members of the local community, and created window displays to help brighten up Stranraer; thanks Leonard Cheshire, The Holywood Trust, The Orcome Trust, Batchwood Community Trust and the National Lottery for funding the programme for the next two years; thanks all staff and students who were involved, and wishes all participants all the very best for the future.

Supported by: Gil Paterson*

***S5M-24450 Elaine Smith: Right to Food** —That the Parliament welcomes the proposed Right to Food (Scotland) Bill, which has been backed by 28 MSPs across parties; understands that campaigners, charities, churches, trade unions and members of the public strongly support the principle of enshrining the right to food into law, with over 90% of respondents to the public consultation on the proposed Bill indicating their support; calls for the Scottish Government to act with urgency to give food policy the priority that it deserves, to ensure that no-one goes hungry in Scotland; regrets that food insecurity is one of many important social issues where it considers that the full powers of the Scottish Parliament have not been used to their potential; believes that the Parliament was created with significant optimism, in part due to its potential to stand up for Scotland against what it considers to be social injustices caused by the policies of UK Conservative administrations in the 1980s and 1990s; considers that it has the necessary powers

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to enact a radical agenda for meaningful social change and that this potential is underlined by the passing into law of Members' Bills, such as the Breastfeeding (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Period Products (Free Provision)(Scotland) Act 2021; believes that it has failed to enact legislation that effectively redistributes wealth and power and adequately tackles key issues such as child poverty, homelessness, hunger and challenging austerity; considers that there are a number of systemic causes for what it sees as the failure of the Parliament to address these issues; considers that these include a disproportionate focus on constitutional matters, a committee system that has not held the Scottish Government to account as was originally envisaged and the continued under-representation of women; is of the view that enshrining the right to food would be a radical, progressive action in line with the initial promise of the Parliament, and hopes that future Members will pass such legislation so that the Parliament can finally realise its tremendous potential for creating a fairer, socially just and equal society.

Supported by: Jenny Marra*, Iain Gray*, Richard Leonard*, Monica Lennon*, James Kelly*, Anas Sarwar*

***S5M-24449 Emma Harper: Scottish SPCA Continues Vitally Important Work—**That the Parliament believes that the Scottish SPCA demonstrates outstanding performance in the protection of animal welfare across the country, including the rescue and rehabilitation of domestic, wild and farm animals, the provision of educational resources and ongoing advice for people on animal welfare matters; notes that, even during the COVID-19 lockdown restrictions, the Scottish SPCA staff have been out on the frontline to protect animals and enforce animal welfare cases, which has included responding to in excess of 200 reports each day since the beginning of 2020; welcomes the launch of its free online educational resource, its helpline for distance support and its campaigning for the improvement of animal welfare legislation; recognises its exceptional role in the rehabilitation and rehoming of animals at its various centres, including Ayr, particularly during the COVID-19 lockdown measures when the risks of domestic abuse and mistreatment of animals is particularly high; acknowledges its efforts in disruption of the illegal puppy trade through awareness raising campaigns and community dialogue and cross-partner agency working with the Puppy Trafficking Working Group, which includes HMRC, Scottish, English and Northern Irish public and private bodies and animal welfare organisations and government representatives; congratulates the Scottish SPCA on its membership engagement during the pandemic, where it has been helping to prevent social isolation and loneliness; believes that its activities and programmes should be supported, and encourages the next Scottish administration to continue a positive dialogue with the Scottish SPCA on important animal welfare matters.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Rona Mackay*, David Torrance*, John Mason*, Stuart McMillan*, Monica Lennon*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Gil Paterson*

***S5M-24447 Emma Harper: Promoting the Scots Leid —**That the Parliament supports future government action to promote the use of the Scots language in public and private spheres, both in verbal and written form, including in primary, secondary and tertiary education, television and print media and in this Parliament; recognises that the use of Scots in the media is a key driver of a sense of inclusion for Scots speakers; notes the value of Scots education initiatives such as the Scots Language Award in shrinking the attainment gap; encourages members of the next Parliament to recognise Scots, and all its varieties, as a legitimate living language and to consider the needs of its speakers; further encourages future MSPs to work to raise the language's profile in their constituencies, the Chamber, parliamentary offices and beyond, and supports, in principle, the idea of exploring legislative action to further protect and promote Scots.

The Member has provided the following translation in Scots:

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That the Parliament gives its support to the future government moves for to promote the use of the Scots language in Scotland's public and private affairs, both in spoken and written form, for example in primary, secondary and tertiary education, television and print media and in this parliament; recognises that the use of Scots in the media is a major driver of a sense of inclusion for Scots speakers; takes note of the value of Scots language initiatives such as the Scots Language Award in narrowing the attainment gap; encourages members of the next parliament to recognise the use of Scots and its bylaws as a legitimate language and to take note of the needs of its speakers; for example encourages future MSPs to settle at heightening the language's profile in their constituencies, the chamber, parliamentary offices and away, and gives its support in principle to the idea of looking at legislative moves for to protect and promote it further.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, John Mason*, Bill Kidd*, Gil Paterson*

***S5M-24446 Monica Lennon: Larkhall and District Volunteer Group Shopping Bus**

Service—That the Parliament congratulates Larkhall and District Volunteer Group Shopping Bus Service on securing funding from the charity, Paths for All's "Smarter Choices, Smarter Places" programme; understands that the Shopping Bus is a weekly service with door-to-door pick-ups and drop-offs of shopping to those in the community who are not able to get shopping themselves, and commends the group for the hard work that has made the project a success.

***S5M-24445 Murdo Fraser: Generating Opportunity**—That the Parliament congratulates the Perth and Kinross-based arts organisation, Generating Opportunity, on its project that is aimed at promoting wellbeing and social connections among care home residents and others who have been severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic; notes that its initiative, Place in Time, will bring together historians, singers, musicians, writers and artists from the area to compile a film library of stories, music and songs about the history of Perthshire and Kinross-shire; acknowledges that the films are available on generatingopportunity.com and on YouTube over the next six to eight weeks, and wishes Generating Opportunity, which has been awarded more than £7,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund towards this work, all the best for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Kenneth Gibson*, Liam Kerr*, Peter Chapman*, Jenny Marra*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Brian Whittle*

***S5M-24444 Elaine Smith: Breastfeeding in 21st Century Scotland**—That the Parliament considers that, despite the passing of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Act 2005, which made it an offence to prevent or stop babies being breastfed in public places and made provision to promote breastfeeding, progress with increasing rates of breastfeeding remains slow; notes that, in this regard, the 2020 national statistics report for Public Health Scotland on infant feeding showed the percentage of babies at six to eight weeks being breastfed has risen from 36% 2002-03 to 44% 2019-20; believes that there are still considerable inequalities with babies of older mothers and those living in less deprived areas most likely to be breast fed; recognises that the suspension of face-to-face health visitor care and closure of mother and baby breastfeeding support groups due to the pandemic has made it even more difficult for many new mothers to sustain breastfeeding, and has led to many of them feeling isolated and lacking in factual information; recognises the efforts of teams such as Community Mothers in Lanarkshire, which is working hard, along with NHS Lanarkshire, to provide support services online; regrets that misinformation about COVID-19 and vaccines may have led to some mothers prematurely stopping breastfeeding; notes that the World Health Organization (WHO) states that breastfeeding is the cornerstone of infant and young child survival, nutrition and development and maternal health, and recommends exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months of life, followed by

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continued breastfeeding with appropriate complementary foods for up to two years and beyond; notes that, based on available evidence, WHO recommendations on the initiation and continued breastfeeding of infants and young children also apply to mothers with suspected or confirmed COVID-19; congratulates all the mothers who are breastfeeding their babies during these difficult times, and hopes that the Scottish Government will invest more to prioritise initiatives that encourage, promote and support breastfeeding, with the aim to see rates increase substantially in 21st century Scotland.

Supported by: Claire Baker*, Jenny Marra*, Kenneth Gibson*, Gil Paterson*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-24443](#) Claudia Beamish: World Water Day (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Christine Grahame*, Sandra White*, Sarah Boyack*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-24442](#) Nicola Sturgeon: Motion of Thanks (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Ruth Davidson*, Anas Sarwar*, Patrick Harvie*, Willie Rennie*

[S5M-24440](#) Finlay Carson: Food Glorious Food, Dalbeattie Day Centre Dishes out 5,000 Meals (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-24439](#) Finlay Carson: Castle Douglas Farmer, David Yates (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-24438](#) Alexander Burnett: Thank You to Royal Mail (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Alexander Stewart*, Donald Cameron*, Liam Kerr*, Liam McArthur*, Peter Chapman*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Murdo Fraser*, Edward Mountain*, Annie Wells*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Miles Briggs*, Richard Lyle*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Jamie Greene*, Brian Whittle*

[S5M-24434](#) Elaine Smith: Cuba and the US Blockade (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*, Mark McDonald*, Iain Gray*

[S5M-24433](#) Angus MacDonald: Falkirk District's Craig Eddie wins The Voice UK (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

[S5M-24432](#) Gail Ross: William Paterson, 46 Years Volunteering for Balintore Fire Station (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-24430](#) Kenneth Gibson: Sandra Stewart's 40th Anniversary at the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (lodged on 22 March 2021)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

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[S5M-24421](#) Rachael Hamilton: Historic Borderlands Growth Deal Signed (lodged on 18 March 2021)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

[S5M-24418](#) Monica Lennon: Celebrating the Achievements and Legacy of the On The Ball Campaign (lodged on 17 March 2021)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*

***[S5M-24292.1](#) Anas Sarwar: Motion of No Confidence** (lodged on 23 March 2021)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-24272](#) John Finnie: Equitable Access to COVID-19 Vaccines for Countries in the Global South (lodged on 02 March 2021)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*

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New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 23 March 2021

European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 70B) (Member's Bill).

Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 62B) (Member's Bill).

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Negative instrument

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 23 March 2021 and is not subject to the negative procedure—

Meat Preparations (Import Conditions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/161)
Laid under paragraph 10A(3) of schedule 2 of the Trade in Animals and Related Products (Scotland) Regulations 2012.

Laid only instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 23 March 2021 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Parliament Elections (Returning Officer Fees and Charges) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/155)
Laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Amendment (Scotland) Order 2021 (SSI 2021/160)
Laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

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 indication is given that the Scottish Government or UK 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 Proposal for a Member's Bill

Jamie Halcro Johnston: Proposed Electricians (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to provide for the protection of title and registration of electricians (lodged 24 February 2021).

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: Monica Lennon, Jackie Baillie, Iain Gray, *Neil Findlay, *Alex Cole-Hamilton, *Bill Bowman, *Dean Lockhart, *John Scott, *Maurice Golden, *Alexander Burnett, *Liam Kerr, *Alison Johnstone, *Oliver Mundell

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.

Budget (Scotland) (No.5) Bill (G)

Passed, 9 March 2021

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 2 March 2021

Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills)), 24 February 2021

Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 3 Proceedings, 24 March 2021

Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Bill

Passed, 17 March 2021

European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 23 March 2021

Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 3 March 2021

Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 11 March 2021

Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 23 February 2021

Pre-release Access to Official Statistics (Scotland) Bill (C)

Passed, 4 March 2021

Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 11 March 2021

Scottish Parliament (Assistance for Political Parties) Bill (C)

Royal Assent, 22 March 2021

Scottish Parliamentary Standards (Sexual Harassment and Complaints Process) Bill (C)

Passed, 4 March 2021

Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 23 March 2021

Travelling Funfairs (Licensing) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 17 March 2021

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.

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 16 March 2021

University of St. Andrews (Degrees in Medicine and Dentistry) Bill (G)

Passed, 10 March 2021

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 1 June 2020

Lead committee – Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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>

Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill LCM-S5-34

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Medicines and Medical Devices Bill LCM-S5-43

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Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Bill LCM-S5-37

Lodged on 30 March 2020
Justice Committee, 2 June 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 17 June 2020

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Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Bill LCM-S5-46

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Finance and Constitution Committee, 6 and 7 October 2020
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United Kingdom Internal Market Bill LCM-S5-47

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Meeting of the Parliament, 7 October 2020

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Made affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 19 May 2021

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/117\) \(4 March 2021\)](#) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 26 May 2021

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 17\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/136\) \(11 March 2021\)](#) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 3 June 2021

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[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel etc.\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/158\)](#) (22 March 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead Committee approval by 17 May 2021

[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Acts \(Amendment of Expiry Dates\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (24 February 2021) COVID-19 Committee

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 19 March 2021

Lead Committee report due by 15 March 2021

[Non-Domestic Rate \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/63\)](#) (8 February 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(District Heating Relief and Renewable Energy Generation Relief\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/64\)](#) (8 February 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Levying and Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/65\)](#) (8 February 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Subject to annulment 21 March 2021

Lead Committee report due by 15 March 2021

[Food, Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/66\)](#) (10 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 22 March 2021

Lead Committee report due by 15 March 2021

[Food Information \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/70\)](#) (11 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Agency Arrangements\) \(Specification\) \(Overseas Production Orders\) Order 2021 \(SI 2021/144\)](#) (11 February 2021) (Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 23 March 2021

Lead Committee report due by 22 March 2021

[Police Act 1997 and the Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Scotland\) Act 2007 \(Fees\) \(Coronavirus\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/71\)](#) (12 February 2021) (Justice Committee)

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Subject to annulment 29 March 2021
Lead Committee report due by 22 March 2021

[National Assistance \(Sums for Personal Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/76\)](#) (18 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

[National Assistance \(Assessment of Resources\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/77\)](#) (18 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 18 May 2021
Lead Committee report due by 17 May 2021

[Fireworks \(Scotland\) Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/79\)](#) (19 February 2021) (Justice Committee)

[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2021 \(SSI 2021/80\)](#) (19 February 2021) (Justice Committee)

[Milk and Healthy Snack Scheme \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/82\)](#) (19 February 2021) (Social Security Committee)

Subject to annulment 21 May 2021
Lead Committee report due by 17 May 2021

[Plant Health and Plant Propagating Material \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations \(SSI 2021/87\)](#) (22 February 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

[Plant Health \(Export Certification\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/88\)](#) (22 February 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Subject to annulment 22 May 2021
Lead Committee report due by 17 May 2021

[Bee Diseases and Pests Control \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/91\)](#) (23 February 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

[National Health Service Superannuation and Pension Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/102\)](#) (23 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Coronavirus\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Rules Order of Council 2021 \(SI 2021/167\)](#) (23 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Registration and Fees\) \(Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2021 \(SI 2021/70\)](#)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Acts \(Early Expiry and Suspension of Provisions\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/93\) \(24 February 2021\) \(Committee\)](#)

[Social Security \(Industrial Injuries Benefit and Personal Independence Payment\) \(Telephone and Video Assessment\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/97\) \(24 February 2021\) \(Committee\)](#)

[Town and Country Planning \(Cairnryan Border Control Posts\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) Special Development Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/98\) \(24 February 2021\) \(Committee\)](#)

[Town and Country Planning \(Pre-Application Consultation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/99\) \(24 February 2021\) \(Committee\)](#)

[Town and Country Planning \(Emergency Period and Extended Period\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/100\) \(24 February 2021\) \(Committee\)](#)

[Looked After Children \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 SSI 2021/103 \(SSI 2021/103\) \(24 February 2021\) \(Committee\)](#)

Subject to annulment 24 May 2021
Lead Committee report due by 24 May 2021

[Food, Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/109\) \(25 February 2021\) \(Health and Sport Committee\)](#)

Subject to annulment 30 May 2021
Lead Committee report due by 24 May 2021

[National Assistance \(Assessment of Resources and Sums for Personal Requirements\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/115\) \(3 March 2021\) \(Health and Sport Committee\)](#)

Subject to annulment 4 June 2021
Lead Committee report due by 31 May 2021

[Foods for Specific Groups \(Infant Formula and Follow-on Formula\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/123\) \(8 March 2021\) \(Health and Sport Committee\)](#)

Subject to annulment 6 June 2021
Lead Committee report due by 31 May 2021

[Disability Assistance for Children and Young People \(Consequential Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/122\) \(9 March 2021\) \(Local Government and Communities Committee\)](#)

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[Red Rocks and Longay Urgent Marine Conservation Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/131\)](#) (10 March 2021)
(Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

Subject to annulment 7 June 2021
Lead Committee report due by 7 June 2021

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) \(Coronavirus\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/137\)](#) (11 March 2021) (Social Security Committee)

Subject to annulment 11 June 2021
Lead Committee report due by 7 June 2021

[Carer's Allowance \(Coronavirus\) \(Breaks in Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/140\)](#) (15 March 2021) (Social Security Committee)

[Town and Country Planning \(Emergency Period and Extended Period\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/142\)](#) (15 March 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Subject to annulment 12 June 2021
Lead Committee report due by 7 June 2021

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Restriction of Relief\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/145\)](#) (15 March 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Coronavirus Reliefs\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/151\)](#) (18 March 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Subject to annulment 19 June 2021
Lead Committee report due by 14 June 2021

[Meat Preparations \(Import Conditions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/161\)](#) (23 March 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 23 March 2021—

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, 5th Report, 2021 (Session 5): Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee Legacy Report - Session 5 (SP Paper 1019)

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee, 12th Report, 2021 (Session 5): Annual Report 2020-21 (SP Paper 1021)

The following report will be published on 24 March 2021—

Local Government and Communities Committee, 10th Report, 2021, (Session 5): Local Government and Communities Committee Session 5 Legacy Report (SP Paper 1001)

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Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 23 March 2021 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Improving outcomes for young people through school education A report prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland and Accounts Commission AGS/2021/2 laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Parole Board for Scotland Annual Report 2019/20 SG/2021/33 laid under paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Prisons (Scotland) Act 1989 and paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 to the Prisoners and Criminal Proceedings (Scotland) Act 1993

Review of the Guidance on Engaging Communities in Decisions Relating to Land March 2021 SG/2021/80 laid under section 44(8) and (9) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016

Judicial Appointments Board for Scotland Annual Report 2019-2020 SG/2021/85 laid under section 18 of the Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008

HM Fire Service Inspectorate Assessing the Effectiveness of Inspection Activity March 2021 SG/2021/42 laid under section 43C(5) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

Report on the Scottish Ministers' duties under section 23(1) (funding for alternative dispute resolution) and section 24(1) (pilot scheme for mandatory alternative dispute resolution meetings) of the Children (Scotland) Act 2020 SG/2021/89 laid under sections 23(7) and 24(4) of the Children (Scotland) Act 2020

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