



The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 4, No. 31, Session 5

Meeting of the Parliament

Wednesday 25 September 2019

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. Portfolio Questions: Questions on Social Security and Older People and Finance, Economy and Fair Work were answered by Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers.

2. Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: Maurice Golden, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19024—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 3: 50 minutes

Groups 4 to 6: 1 hour 30 minutes

Groups 7 to 9: 2 hours

Groups 10 to 12: 2 hours 30 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

3. Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 2, 17, 3, 4, 1, 21, 5, 23A, 23, 24, 25, 6, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 36, 13, 37, 14, 15 and 16.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

- 27 (For 92, Against 0, Abstentions 27)
- 28 (For 93, Against 27, Abstentions 0)
- 31A (For 93, Against 28, Abstentions 0)
- 31B (For 93, Against 28, Abstentions 0)
- 32 (For 114, Against 7, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 18 (For 7, Against 92, Abstentions 19)
- 19 (For 34, Against 87, Abstentions 0)
- 20 (For 34, Against 86, Abstentions 0)
- 22 (For 28, Against 93, Abstentions 0)
- 29 (For 34, Against 87, Abstentions 0)
- 12A (For 27, Against 91, Abstentions 0)
- 14A (For 27, Against 92, Abstentions 0).

Amendment 26 was moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn.

The Presiding Officer determined, under Rule 9.8.5BA, that, in his view, no provision of the Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill related to a protected subject-matter.

4. Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3:

The Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform (Roseanna Cunningham) moved S5M-19025—That the Parliament agrees that the Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 113, Against 0, Abstentions 6).

5. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19047—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 1 October 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Public Audit and Post-Legislative Scrutiny Committee Debate: Post Legislative Scrutiny: Control of Dogs (Scotland) Act 2010

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 2 October 2019

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Economy; Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 3 October 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice and the Law Officers

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 8 October 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 9 October 2019

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Government Business and Constitutional Relations;
Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Transport (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 10 October 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 30 September 2019, in rule 13.7.3, after the word “except” the words “to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or” are inserted.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19054—That the Parliament agrees—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Children (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 28 February 2020.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Approval of an SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19049—That the Parliament agrees that the Debt Arrangement Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 89, Against 0, Abstentions 28).

8. Approval of an SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19048—That the Parliament agrees that the Additional Powers Request (Scotland) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Approval of an SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19050—That the Parliament agrees that the Historical Sexual Offences (Disregarded Convictions and Official Records) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Committee Meeting Times: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19051—That the Parliament agrees that, under Rule 12.3.3B of Standing Orders, the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee can meet, if necessary, at the same time as a meeting of the Parliament during Members’ Business and Portfolio

Questions on Thursday 3 October 2019 for the purpose of considering the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Committee Membership: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19052—
That the Parliament agrees that—

Jenny Gilruth be appointed to replace Stewart Stevenson as a member of the Justice Sub-committee on Policing; and

James Kelly be appointed to replace Daniel Johnson as a member of the Justice Sub-committee on Policing.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Substitution on Committees: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19053—
That the Parliament agrees that—

Sarah Boyack be appointed to replace Anas Sarwar as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee;

Claudia Beamish be appointed to replace Rhoda Grant as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee;

Alex Rowley be appointed to replace Neil Findlay as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee;

Neil Findlay be appointed to replace Daniel Johnson as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Education and Skills Committee;

Anas Sarwar be appointed to replace Pauline McNeill as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Local Government and Communities Committee; and

Beatrice Wishart be appointed to replace Willie Rennie as the Scottish Liberal Democrat substitute on the Equalities and Human Rights Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Designation of a Lead Committee: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-19095—

That the Parliament agrees that the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 as noted above.

15. The Need for a Product Recall Database: The Parliament debated S5M-17805 in the name of John Mason—That the Parliament notes that the UK Government has served Whirlpool, which manufactures domestic appliances, with a notice to recall faulty tumble dryers; understands that this comes four years after the company issued a safety warning regarding some of its Creda, Hotpoint and Indesit devices; believes that research by the consumer charity, Electrical Safety First, suggests that only 10 to 20% of recalled products are actually returned or repaired, largely due to consumers being unaware of the recalls, and notes calls for the creation of a centrally-managed product recall database, which could allow consumers in Shettleston and across the country to check that their appliances are safe.

The meeting closed at 6.49 pm.

P E Grice
Clerk of the Parliament
25 September 2019

Appendix

(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 25 September 2019—

Justice Committee, 17th Report 2019 (Session 5) Subordinate Legislation (SP Paper 587)

Justice Committee, 17th Report 2019 (Session 5): Scottish Tribunals (Listed Tribunals) Regulations 2019

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 25 September 2019 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Architecture & Design Scotland Annual Report and Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/198 laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power.

Food Standards Scotland Annual Report & Accounts 2018-19 SG/2019/53 laid under section 15(5) of the Food (Scotland) Act 2015

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