

European Union (Withdrawal) Bill: Timetable

This note provides an overview of the timetable for the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill in the House of Commons and of the key stages of scrutiny in the House of Lords.

House of Commons

The European Union (Withdrawal) Bill has been allocated eight days at Committee Stage in the House of Commons and completed day three of Committee Stage on Tuesday 21 November. The areas of the Bill which have been considered to date have been:

- Day One: Repeal of the European Communities Act 1972 and interpretation of retained EU law
- Day Two: preservation and conversion of EU law
- Day Three: Charter of Fundamental Rights, general principles of EU law and 'Francovich' damages

No amendments to the Bill have been passed to date. The remaining days of Committee stage have now been timetabled and are as follows:

- **Day 4 – Monday 4 December:** Clause 11: Retaining EU restrictions in devolution legislation
- **Day 5 – Wednesday 6 December:** Clause 10: Corresponding powers involving devolved authorities and Clause 12: Financial provision
- **Day 6 – Tuesday 12 December:** Clause 7: Dealing with deficiencies arising from withdrawal
- **Day 7 – Wednesday 13 December:** Clause 8: Complying with international obligations, Clause 9: Implementing the withdrawal agreement and Clause 16: Regulations
- **Day 8 – Wednesday 20 December:** Clause 13: Publication and rules of evidence and Clause 14, 15, 18 and 19 (General and final provision)

The date for Report Stage and Third Reading has yet to be scheduled but Report Stage will take place not before Monday 8 January and Third Reading not before Tuesday 9 January.

House of Lords

There is no indication of what the timetable in the House of Lords will be at this point. The stages of the Bill process in the House of Lords is the same as the House of Commons i.e. Second Reading, Committee Stage, Report Stage and Third Reading.