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DELEGATED POWERS AND LAW REFORM COMMITTEE 2nd Meeting 2018, Session 5

CONVENER

*Graham Simpson (Central Scotland) (Con)

DEPUTY CONVENER

Stuart McMillan (Greenock and Inverclyde) (SNP)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Neil Findlay (Lothian) (Lab) *Alison Harris (Central Scotland) (Con) *David Torrance (Kirkcaldy) (SNP)

*attended

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE Euan Donald

LOCATION The Adam Smith Room (CR5)

Scottish Parliament

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 10:00]

Decision on Taking Business in Private

The Convener (Graham Simpson): I welcome members to the second meeting in 2018 of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee. Stuart McMillan is unable to be with us and has sent his apologies.

Under agenda item 1, it is proposed that the committee take agenda item 8—consideration of recent developments in relation to the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill—in private. Does the committee agree to do so?

Members indicated agreement.

Instrument subject to Affirmative Procedure

Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 (Support for Victims) Regulations 2018 [Draft]

10:00

The Convener: Under agenda item 2, we have one instrument to consider, on which no points have been raised by our legal advisers. Is the committee content with it?

Members indicated agreement.

Instruments not subject to Parliamentary Procedure

Education (Recognised Bodies) (Scotland) Order 2018 (SSI 2018/6)

Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Act 2017 (Commencement) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/8 (C1))

Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 (Commencement No 4) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/9 (C2))

Act of Adjournal (Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment) (Miscellaneous) 2018 (SSI 2018/12)

10:01

The Convener: Under agenda item 3, we have four instruments to consider, on which no points have been raised by our legal advisers. Is the committee content with them?

Members indicated agreement.

Social Security (Scotland) Bill

10:01

The Convener: Agenda item 4 is consideration of the Scottish Government's response to our stage 1 report on the Social Security (Scotland) Bill. Do members have any comments?

Members: No.

The Convener: Are members happy that we simply write to the Scottish Government with our response?

Members indicated agreement.

Civil Litigation (Expenses and Group Proceedings) (Scotland) Bill

10:01

The Convener: Agenda item 5 is consideration of the Scottish Government's response to our stage 1 report on the Civil Litigation (Expenses and Group Proceedings) (Scotland) Bill. Do members have any comments?

Members: No.

The Convener: Do members agree to welcome the Government's response?

Members indicated agreement.

Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill

10:02

The Convener: Agenda item 6 is consideration of the supplementary delegated powers memorandum in relation to the Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill as amended at stage 2. Do members have any questions?

Members: No.

The Convener: Is the committee content with the delegated powers in the bill as amended at stage 2, and is it content to publish a report accordingly?

Members indicated agreement.

Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Bill

10:02

The Convener: Agenda item 7 is consideration of the supplementary delegated powers memorandum in relation to the Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Bill as amended at stage 2. Do members have any questions?

Members: No.

The Convener: Is the committee content with the delegated powers in the bill as amended at stage 2, and is it content to publish a report accordingly?

Members indicated agreement.

10:03

Meeting continued in private until 10:16.

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