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† 21st Meeting 2009, Session 3

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DEPUTY CONVENER

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[THE CONVENER *opened the meeting at 15:17*]

Decision on Taking Business in Private

The Convener (Christine Grahame): Good afternoon and welcome to the 21st meeting in 2009 of the Health and Sport Committee. I remind members to switch off their mobile phones and other electronic equipment. Apologies have been received from Ross Finnie and Michael Matheson. Jamie Stone may attend the meeting later as a substitute.

Our first item of business is to decide whether to take in private agenda item 3, which is consideration of our approach to scrutiny of the 2010-11 budget process. It would be usual to do so. Are we agreed?

Members indicated agreement.

Subordinate Legislation

National Health Service (Superannuation Scheme, Pension Scheme and Injury Benefits) (Scotland) Amendment (No 2) Regulations 2009 (SSI 2009/208)

15:17

The Convener: Agenda item 2 is consideration of three negative instruments. Members have before them a cover paper from the clerk that sets out the purpose of each instrument.

The first instrument amends existing regulations that regulate the national health service superannuation scheme and the NHS pension scheme for Scotland. The Subordinate Legislation Committee reported to us and to the Parliament that an error has been made in regulation 21, but the Scottish Government anticipates that it will be corrected in further amending regulations that are due to come into force in October 2009. Are members content with the instrument?

Members indicated agreement.

National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2009 (SSI 2009/209)

The Convener: The second instrument amends existing regulations that regulate the terms on which pharmaceutical services are provided under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978. The Subordinate Legislation Committee had no comments to make on it. Are members content with the instrument?

Members indicated agreement.

Contaminants in Food (Scotland) Regulations 2009 (SSI 2009/215)

The Convener: The third instrument revokes and re-enacts with changes the Contaminants in Food (Scotland) Regulations 2007, which make provision for the execution and enforcement of various European Commission regulations that set the maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs. The Subordinate Legislation Committee has drawn our attention to the fact that this instrument contains a drafting error and has recommended that the Scottish Government take steps to correct the error. Are members content with the instrument?

Members indicated agreement.

The Convener: Agenda item 3 is consideration of our approach to scrutiny of the 2010-11 budget process. As agreed, this will be taken in private.

15:19

Meeting continued in private until 16:22.

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