

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee  
Tuesday, 4 November 2025  
29th Meeting, 2025 (Session 6)

## Note by the Clerk on Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2

1. During this meeting, the Committee will undertake Stage 2 proceedings for the Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill (“the Bill”).
2. Liam McArthur introduced the Bill in the Scottish Parliament on 27 March 2024.
3. Links to the [Bill and accompanying documents](#) can be found below:
  - [Terminally Ill Adults \(Scotland\) Bill](#)
  - [Explanatory Notes](#)
  - [Policy Memorandum](#)
  - [Financial Memorandum](#)
  - [Delegated Powers Memorandum](#)
  - [Statements on Legislative Competence](#)
4. The Parliament agreed to designate the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee as lead committee for scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1 on 16 April 2024. The Committee took evidence on the Bill at its meetings on the following dates:
  - [Tuesday, 5 November 2024](#)
  - [Monday, 11 November 2024](#)
  - [Tuesday, 12 November 2024](#)
  - [Tuesday, 19 November 2024](#)
  - [Tuesday, 14 January 2025](#)
  - [Tuesday, 21 January 2025](#)
  - [Tuesday, 28 January 2025](#)
  - [Tuesday, 4 February 2025](#)
5. The Committee published its [Stage 1 report](#) on the Bill on 30 April 2025.
6. The Bill ended Stage 1 on 13 May 2025, following a [debate in the Chamber](#).
7. The Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) has also published three briefings on the topic of assisted dying:
  - [Definitions of terminal illness in assisted dying legislation](#)
  - [Palliative care and assisted dying](#)
  - [The Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults \(Scotland\) Bill and the European Convention on Human Rights](#)
8. At stage 2, MSPs can propose changes (“amendments”) to the Bill. The amendments are considered and decided on by the Committee during Stage 2

proceedings. Links to documents containing the amendments to be considered at this meeting are provided below:

- [Marshalled List of Amendments for Stage 2](#)
- [Groupings of Amendments for Stage 2](#)

**Clerks to the Committee**  
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