# SUPPLEMENT TO THE VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

# Monday 22 April 2013

# PROCEEDINGS
# ON CONSIDERATION OF LORDS MESSAGE

## CRIME AND COURTS BILL [*LORDS*]

*On Consideration of Lords Amendments to Certain Commons Amendments*

*Lords Amendments 17A and 17B agreed to.*

Lords Amendment No. **131A**

Secretary Theresa May                                                                 *Agreed to*

To move, That this House disagrees to Lords Amendment No. 131A proposed to Commons Amendment No. 131 but proposes in lieu of Lords Amendment No. 131A amendment **(a)** to Commons Amendment No. 131 and amendment **(b)** at the end of the Clause (*Meaning of "relevant publisher"*) inserted by Commons Amendment No. 18:—

*Lords Amendment 131A accordingly disagreed to.*

*Agreed to*   **(a)**

Line   **29**,   at end insert—

'*Micro-businesses*

7A (1) A person who, in carrying on a micro-business, publishes news-related material where either condition A or condition B is met.

(2) Condition A is that the news-related material is contained in a multi-author blog.

(3) Condition B is that the news-related material is published on an incidental basis that is relevant to the main activities of the business.

(4) "Micro-business" means a business which—

(a) has fewer than 10 employees, and

(b) has an annual turnover not exceeding £2,000,000.

**Crime and Courts Bill [*Lords*],** *continued*

(5) The number of employees is to be calculated as follows—
    (a) find the total number of hours per week for which all the employees of the business are contracted to work;
    (b) divide that number by 37.5.
(6) "Employee" has the same meaning as in the Employment Rights Act 1996 (see section 230 of that Act).
(7) "Multi-author blog" means a blog that contains contributions from different authors.'.

*Agreed to* **(b)**

Line **25**, at end insert—
    '(7) But a person who is not a "relevant publisher" as a result of paragraph 7A of that Schedule (micro-businesses) is nevertheless to be regarded as such if the person was a member of an approved regulator at the material time.'.