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Noticeboard

The next Bulletin will be published on Saturday 26 May 2007.

Private Members' Bill:

The Leader of the House has announced that the following Fridays have been allocated for the consideration of Private Members' Bills during the 2006/07 session:

2007: 19th & 26th January, 2nd and 23rd February, 2nd, 9th and 23rd March, 20th and 27th April, 18th May, 15th and 29th June, 19th October.

Summer Opening of Parliament 2007

The Houses of Parliament will open this summer from July 31st to October 3rd (inclusive), with tours operating Monday to Saturday; there are no tours on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

To pre-book tickets, telephone the Keith Prowse ticketing company on 0870 906 3773. Alternatively, tickets can be purchased on the day from a ticket office located adjacent to the Jewel Tower, opposite the Houses of Parliament. The ticket office opens from late July onwards.

Prices

Adults £12.00
Concessions £8.00 (for over 60s and students in possession of a NUS card)
Children £5.00 (5 - 15yrs)
Family ticket £30.00 (maximum 2 adults)
Admission is free for children under 5 (although the tour is not really suitable for the very young)

House of Commons Calendar for 2006/2007 session

The Leader of the House has announced the following provisional recess dates for the 2006/2007 session:

Christmas recess 2006
The House rose on Tuesday 19 December 2006 and returned on Monday 8 January 2007

Spring half term recess 2007
The House rose on Thursday 8 February 2007 and returned on Monday 19 February 2007

Easter recess 2007
The House rose on Thursday 29 March 2007 and returned on Monday 16 April 2007

Whitsun recess 2007
The House will rise on Thursday 24 May 2007 and return on Monday 4 June 2007

Summer recess 2007
The House will rise on Thursday 26 July 2007 and return on Monday 8 October 2007

Party Conferences 2007
Labour: 23rd September to 27th of September
Conservative: 30th September to 3rd of October
Liberal Democrat: 15th September to 20th September 2007

Ministry of Justice
On 29 March 2007 the Prime Minister announced that a new Ministry of Justice will be established, encompassing the Department for Constitutional Affairs. The changes will come into effect on 9 May 2007

Northern Ireland Assembly
Following the restoration of the Northern Ireland Assembly on the 8th of May, we will follow Northern Ireland as it passes through Westminster Parliament

http://www.parliament.uk

The Parliament website provides information on parliamentary proceedings, membership of both Houses and general information on a wide range of parliamentary matters. See index for material available on the website.

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### Notes

- The House will not be sitting on Friday, 25 May.
**Order of Oral Questions**  
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Weekly Information Bulletin

Business of the House of Commons
14 May – 18 May 2007

Monday 14 May

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Defence
Burton’s Foods – a debate on a motion for the adjournment of the House

Legislation – Concessionary Bus Travel [HL] – Second Reading (Agreed)

Programme Motion – (Agreed)

Adjournment – Transparency and competition in charging by ticket agents – Ben Chapman

The House rose at 6.50pm

Tuesday 15 May

The House sat in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-2.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy – Mr David Burrowes
11.00-12.30 Funding systems for higher education – Ian Lucas
12.30-13.00 Patient care at St Helier Hospital – Tom Brake
13.00-13.30 HIV/AIDS and international development – Dr Gavin Strang
13.30-14.00 Local health funding – Andrew George

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Transport; Justice


Ten Minute Rule Bill – Copyright (Miscellaneous Provisions) – David Amess (Agreed)

Debate – Opposition Day (11th allotted day) – Parliamentary approval for participation in Armed Conflict (Motion, as amended, agreed)

Adjournment – Volunteering and the centenary of scouting – Mr David Amess

The House rose at 10.51pm

Wednesday 16 May

The House sat in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-11.30am and 2.30-5.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Prosecution and conviction rates following fatal accidents in the construction industry – Mr Michael Clapham
11.00-11.30 Future of St Michael’s Hospital, Aylsham – Mr Keith Simpson
14.30-16.00 Tax credits – John Barrett
16.00-16.30 Future of Kettering General Hospital – Phillip Hollobone
16.30-17.00 Digital Switchover – Alistair Carmichael
The House sat at 11.30am

**Oral Questions** – Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster; Deputy Prime Minister; Prime Minister

**Urgent Question** – Medical Training Application Service – Andrew Lansley

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Members of Parliament (Employment Disqualification) – Martin Salter (Agreed)

**Motion** – relating to the Home Information Pack Regulations (Motion to annul, on division, negatived)

**Legislation** – Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Bill – Consideration of Lords amendments (Lords amendments 2,3,5, 6 &10 disagreed; Lords amendments 1,4,7,9,11-35 agreed)

**Motion** – Competition: Retail Banking – Mr Alan Campbell (Agreed)

**Adjournment** – Proposed closure of revenue and customs offices in Keighley – Mrs Ann Cryer

*The House rose at 6.40pm*

Thursday 17 May

The House sat at 10.30am

**Oral Questions** – Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

**Business Statement** – Leader of the House

**Statement** – Post Office review – Alistair Darling

**Legislation** – Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Bill – Remaining Stages (As amended, considered)

**Adjournment** – Termination of the Blackwall Tunnel peak hour contra-flow – Robert Neill


*The House rose at 6.33pm*

Friday 18 May

The House sat at 9.30am

**Private Members Bills** – Freedom of Information (Amendment) Bill – David Maclean (Rep); Post-16 Education and Training Bill – Mr Barry Sheerman (2R); Cluster Munitions (Prohibition of Development and Acquisition) Bill – Nick Harvey (2R); Safeguarding Runaway and Missing Children Bill – Helen Southworth (2R); Bilingual Juries (Wales) Bill – Hywel Williams (2R); Rural Tranquillity Bill – John Penrose (2R); Access to Inland Waterways Bill – Dr Desmond Turner (2R); Local Planning Authorities (Energy and Energy Efficiency) Bill – Martin Caton (2R); Drugs (Recriminalisation and Roadside Testing) Bill – Mr Christopher Chope (2R); Health and Safety (Offences) Bill; Wayne David (2R)

**Adjournment** – Future of Crown Post Offices in London – Simon Hughes

*The Weekly Information Bulletin went to press before the House rose on Friday*

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** Details known previous Wednesday after 1.00pm
Written Ministerial Statements
14 May – May 18 2007

14.5.2007 Cash Ratio Deposits – Mr Stephen Timms
14.5.2007 Temporary International Mechanism (Palestine) – Hilary Benn
14.5.2007 Public Guardianship Office – Bridget Prentice
15.5.2007 Single Payment Scheme – David Miliband
15.5.2007 Medical Training (Recruitment) – Ms Patricia Hewitt
15.5.2007 Illegal Working Action Plan – Mr Liam Byrne
15.5.2007 Party Funding – Mr Jack Straw
15.5.2007 Draft Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Bill – Hilary Armstrong
15.5.2007 Child Maintenance – Mr John Hutton
16.5.2007 Age Regulations – Bill Rammell
16.5.2007 Animal Health (Performance Targets) – Mr Ben Bradshaw
16.5.2007 Asylum Seekers (Language Testing) – Mr Liam Byrne
16.5.2007 Cabinet Committees – Mr Tony Blair
16.5.2007 Departmental Report – Mr John Hutton
17.5.2007 Unclaimed Assets Distribution – Ed Balls
17.5.2007 Planning Casework Performance – Meg Munn
17.5.2007 British Red Cross Relief Fund for UK Victims of Terrorism Abroad – Tessa Jowell
17.5.2007 Agency Key Targets – Mr Adam Ingram
17.5.2007 Departmental Report: DEFRA – David Miliband
17.5.2007 Human Tissue and Embryos Bill – Caroline Flint
17.5.2007 Departmental Report: Health – Patricia Hewitt
17.5.2007 Children’s Palliative Care Services – Mr Ivan Lewis
17.5.2007 Westminster Tracer Gas Trials – Mr Tony McNulty
17.5.2007 Departmental Report: Home Office – John Reid
17.5.2007 Departmental Report: Duchy of Lancaster – Hilary Armstrong
17.5.2007 Competitiveness Council – Malcolm Wicks
17.5.2007 Departmental Report: Transport – Mr Douglas Alexander

17.5.2007 Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council – Mr James Plaskitt

17.5.2007 Post Office Card Account (Successor) – Mr James Plaskitt
Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
21 May – 25 May 2007

Monday 21 May

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Culture, Media and Sport; Church Commissioners; Public Accounts Commission; Speaker’s Commission on the Electoral Commission

Statement – on the Planning White Paper

Legislation – Further Education and Training [HL] – Second Reading

Adjournment – Intelligence services: case of Mr Victor Makarov – Mr Peter Atkinson

Tuesday 22 May

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-2.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Regulation of the franchise industry – Mr Brian Donohoe
11.00-12.30 Dairy industry – Mark Williams
12.30-13.00 UK constitution – Graham Allen
13.00-13.30 Control of legionella in water systems – Andrew Selous
13.30-14.00 Food waste to energy – Mrs Madeleine Moon

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Health

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Houses in Multiple Occupation – Dr Alan Whitehead

Legislation – Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Bill – Remaining Stages

Adjournment – Closure of Burton’s Foods plant at Moreton – Angela Eagle

Wednesday 23 May

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-11.30am and 2.30-5.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Iranian involvement in Iraq and other theatres – Patrick Mercer
11.00-11.30 Farming in East Sussex – Norman Baker
14.30-16.00 Coal health claims – Kevan Jones
16.00-16.30 Household water charges – Andrew Smith
16.30-17.00 Government policy on cycling – Willie Rennie
The House will sit at 11.30am

**Oral Questions** – Northern Ireland; Prime Minister

**Statement** – on the Energy White Paper

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Media (Transparency and Disclosure) – Mr Gary Streeter

**Debate** – Opposition Day (12th allotted day) – i) Independent enquiry into the conduct of the Scottish Parliamentary elections; ii) Effectiveness of the DTI

**Adjournment** – Variant Creutzfeld-Jakob disease and endodontic instruments – Sir Paul Beresford

**Thursday 24 May**

The House will sit at 10.30am

**Oral Questions** – Education and Skills; Solicitor General

**Motion** – on the Whitsun recess adjournment

**Adjournment** – Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species conference in June 2007 – David Taylor

**Westminster Hall** – Human Trafficking – 26th Report of the Joint Committee on Human Rights, Session 2005/06, HC 1127, and the Government’s response thereto, Cm 6996

**Friday 25 May**

The House will not be sitting

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Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
4 June – 8 June 2007

Monday 4 June

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Work and Pensions; Leader of the House; House of Commons Commission

Legislation – Legal Services Bill [HL] – Second Reading

Adjournment – *

Tuesday 5 June

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-2.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates – **

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Termination of Pregnancy – Anne Winterton

Debate – On Darfur on a motion for the adjournment of the House

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Wednesday 6 June

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-11.30am and 2.30-5.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates – **

The House will sit at 11.30am

Oral Questions – Wales; Prime Minister

Adjournment – *

Thursday 7 June

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Trade and Industry; Minister for Women and Equality

Adjournment – *

Westminster Hall – *

Friday 8 June

The House will not be sitting

* Details known previous Thursday after 1.00pm

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Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords
21 May – 25 May 2007

Monday 21st May (2.30pm)

**Oral questions** – Lord Ezra to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to increase gas storage capacity; Baroness Turner of Camden to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether adequate specialist therapy is available to patients leaving hospital following strokes, in particular speech therapy; and what steps they are taking to ensure such therapy is available in all areas. Baroness Massey of Darwen to ask Her Majesty’s Government how they plan to increase the uptake of the Child Trust Fund; Lord Jenkin of Roding to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether Ministers decided not to follow advice from officials on the impact on the finances of pension schemes of the abolition of tax credits.

**Legislation** – Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Bill (Consideration of Commons amendments stage); Offender Management Bill (Committee stage, day 2).

**Question for short debate** – on whether current methods of funding for research for Universities are sufficient (B. Sharp of Guilford).

Tuesday 22nd May (2.30pm)

**Oral questions** – Baroness Gardner of Parkes to ask Her Majesty’s Government how many home inspectors there are who are qualified to issue energy performance certificates required to market homes for sale after 1 June 2007; and how home owners wishing to sell privately will know how and where to make contact in their area. Baroness Noakes to ask Her Majesty’s Government when they will publish the report on the costs of identity cards which was due by 31 March 2007 under the terms of section 37 of the Identity Cards Act 2006; Lord Anderson of Swansea to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether, in response to the defeat of the Gambling (Geographical Distribution of Casino Premises Licences) Order 2007 in the House of Lords on 28 March, they will introduce two Orders separating the supercasinos from the other proposed casinos.

**Legislation** – International Tribunals (Sierra Leone) Bill [HL] (Third reading); Digital Switchover (Disclosure of Information) Bill (Third reading); Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Bill (Consideration of Commons amendments).

**Delegated Legislation** – Home Information Pack Regulations 2007- Motion to revoke

Wednesday 23rd May (3.00pm)

**Oral questions** – Lord Pearson of Rannoch to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether, in view of the federal government of Switzerland’s calculation that Swiss membership of the European Union would be nine times more expensive than Switzerland’s current bilateral arrangements with the European Union, a similar position applies to the United Kingdom’s membership of the European Union; Lord Tyler to ask Her Majesty’s Government when the conclusions of the internal Department for Constitutional Affairs examination of different electoral systems in the United Kingdom will be published; LordLee of Trafford to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their response to the impact of climate change on the United Kingdom’s tourism industry.

**Legislation** – Offender Management Bill (Committee Stage, day 3); Statistics and Registration Service Bill (Committee stage, day 3)
Thursday 24th May (11.00am)

**Oral questions** – Lord Northbourne to ask Her Majesty’s Government what progress they have made in implementing their policy of end-to-end offender management; Lord Blaker to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their response to the peace plan signed by 22 Arab nations on 28 March; Baroness Cox to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will make representations to the government of Burma with regard to continuing offensives and threats of further offensives against the Karen people inside Karen State and in camps for the displaced in Thailand.

**Debates** – On the conduct of the machinery of Government (L. Howe of Aberavon); On the provision of public services in rural areas (L. Inglewood); On EU Committee report on mobile phone roaming charges (L. Freeman)
Provisional Future Business of the House of Lords
4th – 8th June 2007

Monday 4th June (2.30pm)

**Oral questions** – Viscount Falkland to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to place appropriate limits on the number of betting shops, particularly in inner cities; Lord Newby to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the relocation of the Office for National Statistics to Newport can be undertaken without disruption to the production of key economic and social statistics; Baroness Miller of Chilthorne Domer to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will make the Olympic site an exemplar site of sustainable development; and whether any features of the current design recognise the features already on site that could be exemplars of sustainable city living; Lord Craig of Radley to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the two inquiries set in hand by the Secretary of State for Defence on 16 April following the seizure of Royal Navy and Royal Marine personnel by the Iranian authorities on 23 March have been completed.

**Legislation** – Victims of Overseas Terrorism [HL] Bill (Third Reading); Pensions Bill (Committee Stage, 1st day).

**Question for short debate** – on what steps are being taken to make sports medicine more readily available through the NHS (L. Addington).

Tuesday 5th June (2.30pm)

**Oral questions** – Lord Barnett to ask Her Majesty’s Government, following recent elections in Scotland, what plans they have for changes in financial policies. Lord Faulkner of Worcester to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will establish a Royal Commission on the Constitution. Lord Janner of Braunstone to ask the Chairman of Committees what progress has been made in the cleaning of the exterior of the Palace of Westminster; and when this work will be completed.

**Legislation** – Offender Management Bill (Committee stage, 4th day).


Wednesday 6th June (3.00pm)

**Oral questions** – Baroness Murphy to ask Her Majesty’s Government what progress they have made in developing a national monitoring system of critical health outcomes for people with a mental health condition or learning disability following the reports by the Disability Rights Commission and Mencap; Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will review the denial of some National Health Service treatment to certain obese people and smokers, given that treatment is provided to drug addicts, alcoholics and those suffering from anorexia; Lord Roberts of Conwy to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the expected reduction in the growth of public expenditure following the Spending Review will provide scope to reduce the corporate tax burden and improve British competitiveness.

**Legislation** – Pensions Bill (Committee stage, 2nd day)

**Question for short debate** – on the role of creative industries (B. Bonham-Carter).
Thursday 7th June (11.00am)

**Oral question** – Lord Ashley of Stoke to ask Her Majesty’s Government what are the reasons for the low take-up of the disability living allowance; Lord Clement-Jones to ask Her Majesty’s Government what mechanisms are in place in the National Health Service to ensure that cancer patients are aware of the financial support available to them through the benefits system; Lord Harrison to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether, since other transport museums are open to the public free of charge, they will consider granting free entry to the National Waterways Museums at Ellesmere Port, Gloucester Docks and Stoke Bruerne.

**Debates** – on the current arrangements for policing in England and Wales (L. Dear); on the anti-slavery legacy of William Wilberforce in the context of multi-cultural Britain (L. Hastings of Scarisbrick); on the Economic Affairs Committee report on monetary policy (L. Wakeham).

Friday 8th June (11.00am)

**Legislation** – Television Advertising (Food) Bill [HL] (Second Reading); European Union (Implications of Withdrawal) Bill [HL] (Second Reading).
Legislation – General Notes

In the list of Bills which follows, the type of Bill is shown at the left-hand margin below the title by the following codes:

- **G** Government Bills
- **C** Consolidation Bills
- **B** Private Members’ Bills (under the ballot procedure). The number after refers to position in ballot
- **P** Private Members’ Bills (under SO No 57)
- **T** Private Members’ Bills (under the Ten Minute Rule, SO No 23)
- **L** Private Members’ Bills starting in the House of Lords

Abbreviations:

- **1R** First Reading: date of presentation (no debate at this stage except for Class T Bills, which have short introductory speeches)
- **2R** Second Reading (the debate on the principle of the Bill)
- **MR** Money Resolution (normally taken after 2R: shown below only if taken at another time)
- **SRC** Second Reading Committee (2R taken in Committee: formal 2R in whole House next day unless otherwise stated)
- **SGC/WGC** Scottish or Welsh Grand Committee consideration of principle (equates with SRC)
- **PC** Programming Committee (sits in private)
- **PSC** Programming Sub-Committee (sits in private)
- **Comm** Committee Stage (the detailed examination of the Bill). If no committee is named (eg SC A) a committee of the whole House is indicated
- **Comm** House of Lords Grand Committee, taken in a committee room
- **JCCB** Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills
- **JC TLRB** Joint Committee on Tax Law Re-write Bills (the date indicates the date on which the Bill was committed to the Joint Committee). After proceedings in JC TLRB, a motion may be moved by a Minister to discharge the Committee of the Whole House from considering the bill. If this is agreed the bill is automatically ordered to be read a third time.
- **LPBC** House of Lords Public Bill Committee (committee Stage in the House of Lords, when the consideration is not undertaken by a committee of the whole House)
- **SPBC** Special Public Bill Committee (committee Stage in the House of Lords, when the consideration is not undertaken by a committee of the whole House. Public evidence is taken)
- **PBC** Public Bill Committee in the House of Commons
- **SSC/SSSC** Special Standing Committee (Special Scottish Standing Committee) on a Bill, where public evidence is taken
- **SC A, (B, etc)** Standing Committee A, B, etc
- **CN** Committee negatived. (Indicates that there was no debate at committee stage in the House of Lords)
- **OCD** Order of Commitment discharged (no debate at committee stage in the House of Lords)
- **Rep** Report Stage (detailed review of the Bill as amended in committee)
- **3R** Third Reading (final debate on the Bill)
- **RS** Remaining Stages (Report Stage and Third Reading taken on the same day)
- **LA** Lords’ Amendments considered in the House of Commons
- **CA** Commons’ Amendments considered in the House of Lords
- **1st (2nd) Scot SC** 1st (2nd) Scottish Standing Committee
- **CO** Carry-over Motion
- **RC** Re-committal to Standing Committee, or to Committee stage in House of Lords
- **EP** Extension of period for proceedings
- **GM** Allocation of Time Motion (Guillotine motion)
- **Prog** Programme Motion
- **ATM** Allocation of Time Motion
- **SelCom**: Bill referred to a Select Committee
- **[HL]** Indicates a Bill which started in the House of Lords
- **HYBRID BILL** A Public Bill which affects the private interests of particular persons or corporate bodies as distinct from the private interests of all persons or bodies
- **PROPOSED BILL** Indicates that a motion for leave to bring in a Bill under the Ten Minute Rule (SO No 23) was negatived
- **Prov 2R (Rep, 3R)** Provisional date for 2nd Reading of a Bill etc. For Private Members’ Bills (if set down for a Private Members Bill Friday) this is followed, by the position of the Bill in the order of business for that day, thus giving some indication of the likelihood of debate.
- **Pri** Private

Asterisk means that proceedings were formal, with no debate

**Dropped** - a day for the next reading has not been named or time has run out for the Bill to be considered

**[Prorogued]** – the House prorogued before the Bill could proceed any further (does not apply to Bills with Carry-over Motions)

**Order for 2nd Reading lapsed** - the Bill has not been printed, therefore does not appear on the order paper on the named day

**Withdrawn** - Member in charge has withdrawn the Bill

# - Member in charge has named a date for consideration which is not a Private Members’ Bill Friday, therefore the Bill will not be debated.
# Complete list of Public Bills before Parliament this Session

The following is a list of Public Bills which are before Parliament this session, with the exception of Order Confirmation Bills.

To save space, the list is abbreviated. The title of the Bill is followed by the name of the Member and/or Peer sponsoring it. The letter denotes the type of Bill (see Legislation – General Notes). This is followed by the Bill number(s) with full bill reprints indicated by the use of bold. Then follow the dates of the various stages. All forthcoming, and therefore provisional, dates are italicised. Government Bills are listed in bold type.

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CONSUMERS, ESTATE AGENTS AND REDRESS [HL] (G)  
Lord Truscott/Mr Ian McCartney
Lords:  1R: 13.3.2007 *2R: 19.3.2007
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Michael Connarty
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CORPORATE MANSLAUGHTER AND CORPORATE HOMICIDE (G)  
John Reid/Baroness Scotland
(introduced in session 2005-06 and carried over to session 2006-07)
Commons: (220, 236, 2005-06)  1R: 20.7.2006 2R: 10.10.2006
Comm (SC B): 19, 24, 26 & 31.10.2006
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CRIMINAL LAW (AMENDMENT) (PROTECTION OF PROPERTY) (B12)  
Mr Shailesh Vara
Commons: (28)  1R: 13.12.2006  
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CROSSRAIL (HYBRID BILL) (G)  
Douglas Alexander
(introduced in session 2004-05, carried over to session 2005-06, carried over to session 2006-07)
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CROWN EMPLOYMENT (NATIONALITY) (P)  
Andrew Dismore
Commons: (38)  1R: 18.12.2006  
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Mr John Hayes
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Prov 2R: 19.10.2007 (7)

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Meg Hillier
Commons: (67)  1R: 28.2.2007 (not printed)  
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Mr Gary Streeter
Commons: (20)  1R: 13.12.2006 2R: 23.2.2007 (Deb adj)  
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Lord Ashley of Stoke
Commons: (14)  1R: 27.11.2006 2R: 15.12.2006 3R: 24.4.2007
Comm: 22.3.2007
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PBC: 16.1.2007
RS: 29.1.2007 3R: 29.1.2007
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Lords: (51) 1R: 14.3.2007 Prov 2R: 18.5.2007

HOUSING ASSOCIATION (RIGHTS AND REPRESENTATION OF RESIDENTS) (B19)    Emily Thornberry
Commons: (35) 1R: 13.12.2006 Prov 2R:15.6.2007 (11)

HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1998 (MEANING OF PUBLIC AUTHORITY) (T)    Mr Andrew Dismore
Commons: (43) 1R: 9.1.2007 (not printed) Prov 2R: 15.6.2007 (1)

INCOME TAX (G)     Gordon Brown/Lord Davies of Oldham
Lords: (52) 1R: 21.2.2007 2R: 19.3.2007 3R: 19.3.2007
Royal Assent: 20.3.2007 (Ch. 3)  INCOME TAX ACT 2007

INVESTMENT EXCHANGES AND CLEARING HOUSES (G)     Gordon Brown/Lord McKensie
3R: 28.11.2006
Royal Assent: 19.12.2006 (Ch.55)  INVESTMENT EXCHANGES AND CLEARING HOUSES ACT 2006

JUSTICE AND SECURITY (NORTHERN IRELAND) (G)    Peter Hain/Lord Rooker
3R: 2.5.2007  Prov CA: 21.5.2007

LAND USE (GARDENS PROTECTION ETC) (B3)    Mrs Caroline Spelman
Commons: (19) 1R: 13.12.2006 2R: 2.2.2007 (Deb adj)  Prov 2R: 15.6.2007 (2)

LEASEHOLD INFORMATION [HL] (L)    Lord Redesdale
Lords: (38) 1R: 1.2.2007 Prov 2R: No date

LEGAL SERVICES [HL] (G)    Lord Falconer of Thoroton
Lords: (9, 50) 1R: 23.11.2006 2R: 6.12.2006 Comm: 9, 22, 23.1; 6, 21.2 & 6.3.2007
Rep: 16 & 18.4, 8 & 9.5.2007 3R: 15.5.2007
Commons: (108) 1R: 16.5.2007 Prov 2R: No date

LIFE PEERAGES (RESIDENCY FOR TAXATION PURPOSES) BILL (P)    Lord Oakshott
Lords: (62) 1R: 23.04.2007 Prov 2R: No date

LIGHT BULB (REGULATION) (P)    John Barrett
Commons: (69) 1R: 28.2.2007 (not printed) Order for 2nd Reading lapsed Prov 2R: No date

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH (G)    Ruth Kelly
PBC: 30.1; 1, 6, 20, 22 & 27.2; 1, 6 & 8.3.2007 Rep: 17.5.2007 Prov Rep: 22.5.2007

LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITIES (ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY) (B9)    Mr Martin Caton

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Commons (72) 1R: 6.3.2007 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 15.6.2007 (8)

PROTECTION OF LISTED VEHICLES (T)  Mr John Randall  
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PROVISION OF PALLIATIVE CARE (P)  Jim Dobbin  
Commons: (40) 1R: 18.12.2006  Prov 2R: 15.6.2007 (6)

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS (REPEALS) [HL] (L)  Baroness Miller of Chilthorne Domer  
Lords: (12) 1R: 23.11.2006  2R: 26.1.2007  Prov Comm: No date

RATING (EMPTY PROPERTIES) BILL (G)  Phil Woolas  
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RETAIL PACKAGING (RECYCLING) (P)  Andrew Stunell  
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ROYAL COMMISSION (SLAVERY) [HL] (L)  Baroness Cox  
Lords: (58) 1R: 26.3.2007  Prov 2R: No date

RURAL TRANQUILLITY (T)  John Penrose  
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SAFEGUARDING RUNAWAY AND MISSING CHILDREN (T)  Helen Southworth  
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SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS (P)  Jo Swinson  
Commons: (106) 1R: 15.5.2007  Prov 2R: 19.10.2007 (16)

SERIOUS CRIME [HL] (G)  Baroness Scotland of Asthal  
Commons: (27) (66) 1R: 16.1.2007  2R: 7.2.2007  Comm: 7, 14, 21, 26 & 27.3.2007
Commons: (103) 1R: 10.5.2007  Prov 2R: No date

SPEED LIMITS (AMENDMENT) (T)  Mr John Leech  
Commons: (66) 1R: 27.2.2007 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 29.6.2007 (5)

STATISTICS AND REGISTRATION SERVICE (G)  Gordon Brown/Lord Davies of Oldham  
Commons: (53) 1R: 14.3.2007  2R: 26.3.2007  Comm**: 24.4 & 2.5.2007
Prov Comm**: 23.5.2007

STREETSCAPE AND HIGHWAYS DESIGN (B13)  Mr Alan Duncan  

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES (B1)  Mr Nick Hurd  
PBC: 28, 14 & 23.1, 18 & 23.4, 2 & 9.5.2007  Prov PBC: 23.5.2007

TELECOMMUNICATIONS MASTS (PLANNING CONTROL) (P)  Andrew Stunell  
Commons: (87) 1R: 28.3.2007 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 29.6.2007 (7)

TELEVISION ADVERTISING (FOOD) [HL] (L)  Baroness Thornton  
Lords: (41) 1R: 6.2.2007  Prov 2R: 8.6.2007

TEMPORARY AND AGENCY WORKERS (PREVENTION OF LESS FAVOURABLE TREATMENT) (B8)  Paul Farrelly  
Commons: (24) 1R: 13.12.2006  2R: 2.3.2007 (2) (Deb adj)  Prov 2R: 19.10.2007(2)

TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY (P)  Mrs Nadine Dorries  
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TORTURE (DAMAGES) [HL] (L)  Lord Archer of Sandwell
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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (AMENDMENT) (T)  John Mann
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TRADE UNION RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS (B16)  John McDonnell
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3R: 20.2.2007
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UK BORDERS BILL (G)  John Reid
Commons: (53, 82)  1R: 25.1.2007  2R: 5.2.2007  Prog: 5.2.2007  MR: 5.2.2007
PBC: 27.2 & 1, 6, 8, 13, 15 & 20.3.2007  Rep: 9.5.2007  3R: 9.5.2007
Lords: (68)  1R: 10.5.2007  Prov 2R: No date

VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS (B10)  Richard Ottaway
Lords: (63)  1R: 23.4.2007  2R: 10.5.2007  Prov Comm**: 4.6.2007

VICTIMS OF OVERSEAS TERRORISM [HL] (L)  Lord Brennan

WAGING WAR (PARLIAMENT’S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY) (B18)  Mr Michael Meacher
Commons: (34)  1R: 13.12.2006  Prov 2R: 19.10.2007 (18)

WELFARE REFORM (G)  Mr John Hutton/Lord McKenzie of Luton
(introduced in session 2005-06 and carried over to session 2006-07)
Commons (SC A): 17, 19, 24, 26 & 31.10 & 2.11.2006
3R: 9.1.2007  LA: 2.5.2007
3R: 27.3.2007  Royal Assent: 3.5.2007 (Ch. 5)  WELFARE REFORM ACT 2007

WILD BIRDS (PROTECTION) (T)  Mark Pritchard
Commons: (83)  1R: 20.3.2007 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 19.10.2007(6)

YOUNG OFFENDERS (PROVISION OF SPEECH THERAPY) BILL (T)  John Bercow
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Draft Bills under consideration or published during 2006/07 Session

As part of the reforms to the legislative process initiated by the Modernisation Committee, the government now publishes a number of bills each session in draft form, before they are introduced into parliament as formal bills. This enables consultation and pre-legislative scrutiny before a bill is issued formally.

Increasingly, it had become the practice in recent sessions for the House to refer these to a joint committee of the Commons and Lords appointed for the specific purpose of examining and reporting on a named draft bill. On occasions a draft bill may be referred to one of the departmental select committees or a select committee appointed for that specific purpose.

Listed below are draft bills that are currently under consideration or that have been published during the 2006/07 Session of Parliament. Further information on draft bills, including those from previous sessions can be viewed on the Parliament website at http://www.parliament.uk/bills/draftbills.cfm. This page links to electronic copies of the draft bills and related publications including select committee reports on the draft bills.

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Private Legislation: General Notes

Abbreviations

1R First Reading
2R Second Reading
BC Bill committed (as yet the type of Committee is not known)
UBC Bill committed to an unopposed committee (If two dates are given the last is the date on which the committee reported)
OBC Bill committed to an opposed committee (If two dates are given the last is the date on which the committee reported)
BAC Bill as amended by the Committee considered (Report stage) (House of Commons only)
3R Third Reading
CA Commons’ amendments considered by the House of Lords
LA Lords’ amendments considered by the House of Commons
Susp Motion to suspend the Bill to subsequent Sessions. Related formal proceedings in the new session are marked with an asterisk (*)
Deb Bill debated, otherwise the stages are taken formally. In the House of Commons this will be at 7 pm
Deb adj Debate adjourned
Rev Motion to revive the Bill from previous Sessions debated on the date given

Prov Provisional date for next stage - date supplied where known, ie prov 2R: 27.1.2004 - provisional second reading 27 January 2004

* an instruction to the committee will be moved at the same time

# Bills with petitions outstanding

Copies of Private Bills can be obtained from the appropriate Agent, details listed below

Rees & Freres, 1 The Sanctuary, London, SW1P 3JT, 020 7222 5381
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Winckworth Sherwood, 35 Great Peter Street, London, SW1P 3LR, 020 7593 5000
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Members of Parliament may obtain copies of Private Bills from the Vote Office.
Complete List of Private bills before Parliament this Session

The following is a list of Private Bills before Parliament. Private Bills originate outside Parliament and are promoted by bodies seeking special powers not available under the general law. Each Bill starts with a petition to Parliament from the promoter for leave to bring in a Bill; this must be deposited on or before 27 November. Any such petitions will be noted below until they gain a 1st Reading.

Parties affected by a Bill may present a petition against it, clearly stating the grounds of their objection. The petitioning period will be shown beneath the Bill until the deadline has expired.

House of Commons Private Bill Office: Sian Jones (Tel: 020 7219 3250  e-mail: prbohoc@parliament.uk)
House of Lords Private Bill Office: Chris Bolton  (Tel: 020 7219 3231  e-mail: prbohol@parliament.uk)

For an explanation of parliamentary consideration of Private Bills see HC10 Factsheet L4

BOURNEMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)
Lords: 1R:22.1.2007  2R: 20.2.2007  Prov OBC: No date

BROADS AUTHORITY (Winckworth Sherwood)
Commons; 1R:23.1.2007  2R: 25.4.2007  OBC: 13.6.2007

LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES [HL] 04/05 (Sharpe Pritchard)
Susp: 31.10.2006
Commons: 1R: 30.4.2007  2R: 15.5.2007  OPC: No date
(petitioning period 1.5.2007 – 10.5.2007)

LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TRANSPORT FOR LONDON 04/05 (Sharpe Pritchard)
3R: 15.12.2005
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MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)
Lords: 1R: 22.1.2007  2R: 20.2.2007  Prov OBC: No date

NATIONAL TRUST (NORTHERN IRELAND) (Winckworth Sherwood)
Commons: 1R:23.1.2007  2R: 30.1.2007  BC: 12.3.2007  UBC: 9.5.2007  Prov 3R: No date

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON [HL] 05/06 (Rees & Freres) (the bill is opposed; 4 petitions outstanding against the bill)
Susp: 31.10.2006
Commons: 1R: 2.5.2007  Prov 2R: 21.5.2007
(petitioning period 3.5.2007 – 14.5.2007)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (SUPPLEMENTAL TOLL PROVISIONS) [HL] (Rees & Freres)
Lords: 1R: 22.1.2007  2R: 26.4.2007  Prov UBC: No date

WHITEHAVEN HARBOUR [HL] 05/06 (Rees & Freres)
Commons: 1R: 24.4.07  2R: 21.5.2007  Prov UBC: No date
(petitioning period 25.4.2007 – 4.5.2007)
Delegated Legislation

Statutory Instruments

The most common form of delegated legislation, or secondary legislation, is Statutory Instruments. Those requiring parliamentary approval are subject to either the affirmative or negative procedure: this is explained in HCIO Factsheet L7.

The laying of Orders before the House of Commons is recorded in the Statutory Instrument List published by the Journal Office: http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmsilist/cmsilist.htm. This list records when Orders were laid and in the case of affirmative instruments, whether a motion for their approval has been tabled. In the case of Negative Instruments, the number of praying days left (in which a motion calling for the instrument to be annulled may be laid) is noted.

Regulatory Reform Proposals and Orders:
Proceedings as at 14 May 2007

Under the Regulatory Reform Act 2001 (s 6(1)) the Government is able to make Orders to amend or repeal provisions in primary legislation, which are considered to impose a burden on businesses or others, which could be reduced or removed without removing any necessary protection.

For an explanation of Parliamentary consideration of Regulatory Reform Orders, see HCIO Factsheet No L7

Committee recommendation:
a) a draft order in the same terms as the proposal should be laid before the House
b) proposal should be amended before a draft order is laid before the House
c) the order-making power should not be used in respect of the proposals
d) draft order should be approved † indicates Committee’s recommendation was agreed after a division
e) draft order should not be approved
* indicates stage taken formally, no debate
# indicates report issued following amendments to draft order

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Remedial Orders, Draft Remedial Orders and Urgent Procedure Remedial Orders:
Proceedings as at 14 May 2007

Under the Human Rights Act 1998 (s10), if a court makes a declaration of incompatibility with the European Convention on Human Rights in relation to a statute, the Government is able to propose draft Orders or make Orders to amend primary legislation in order to remove any incompatibility. The Joint Committee on Human Rights is required, in accordance with Schedule 2 to the Act, to report to each House its opinion on any such proposal, draft Order or urgent procedure Order within a specified period after it has been laid before Parliament.

Committee recommendation:
- a draft order in the same terms as the proposal should be laid before the House
- the proposal should be amended before a draft order is laid before the House
- the order or draft order should be approved
- the order should be replaced by a modified order
- the order or draft order should not be approved

### Proposals for Draft Orders

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## Northern Ireland Legislation: proceedings as at 21 May 2007

The Northern Ireland Assembly was restored from 8 May 2007 following a period of suspension from midnight on 14 October 2002. During suspension, legislation, which would otherwise have come within the competence of the Assembly, was made by Order in Council under Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 2000. The 2000 Act was also used to make Orders in Council which, while the Assembly was active, would have been made under section 85 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Orders making provision for certain reserved matters, for example the criminal law).

Unless made without Parliamentary Approval by reason of urgency, draft Orders in Council must be approved by a resolution of both Houses before being made (affirmative procedure). Orders in Council made before Parliamentary approval by reason of urgency (U), must be approved by both Houses within 40 days of being made. Some UK Acts, for example dealing with social security or pensions, provide for corresponding provisions to be made for Northern Ireland by means of an Order in Council under the 2000 Act, subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House (negative procedure (N)), rather than by the normal affirmative procedure.

Where appropriate, proposals for draft Orders in Council are issued for public consultation and on occasions may be considered by the Northern Ireland Grand Committee (G), before the draft Order is laid. Prior to formal approval being sought on the floor of the Commons, draft Orders are normally considered in a Delegated Legislation Committee (D) or, less frequently, by the Northern Ireland Grand Committee. The Northern Ireland Orders Grand Committee (O) would also, from time to time, consider a draft Order before formal approval is sought on the floor of the Lords.

Outstanding Orders are listed below. Details of previous Orders are available in earlier editions of the bulletin.

To distinguish between UK Bills/Acts applying to Northern Ireland and Acts passed by the Assembly, see the positioning of the term ‘Northern Ireland’. Examples of each are given below:
- UK legislation applying to Northern Ireland: Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Bill 2006/07
- Northern Ireland Assembly legislation: Carers and Direct Payments Act (Northern Ireland) 2002

Bills introduced into the Northern Ireland Assembly can be found at the Northern Ireland Assembly website:

For further details on Northern Ireland Legislation can be found in HClO factsheet available on the internet at:
[http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_publications_and_archives/factsheets/08.cfm](http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_publications_and_archives/factsheets/08.cfm)

### Abbreviations:
- **U**: Urgent Procedure
- **G**: Northern Ireland Grand Committee
- **A**: Approved
- **D**: Delegated Legislation Committee
- **O**: Northern Ireland Order Grand Committee
- **N**: Negative Procedure

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Legislation of the Northern Ireland Assembly (s. 15 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998)

Some Northern Ireland Assembly Bills which include provisions dealing with exempted or reserved matters are required to be laid before Parliament for a period of 20 sitting days before being presented for Royal Assent. If a motion, signed by not less than 20 Members, disapproving of the Bill is tabled in either House during the 20-day period, the Bill shall not be presented for Royal Assent unless the motion is rejected or withdrawn. The date of tabling of any such motion will be shown below.

Assembly Bills of this type which the Secretary of State deems urgent (U) may be presented for Royal Assent before being laid before Parliament. Such Acts of the Assembly are then required to be laid before Parliament for 20 sitting days. If a motion, signed by not less than 20 Members, praying that the Act shall cease to have effect is tabled in either House during the 20-day period the Act is agreed to, the Act of the Assembly may be repealed by Order in Council. The date of tabling of any such motion will be shown below.

Delegated legislation dealing with certain reserved matters, are subject to Parliamentary procedure at Westminster. The Parliamentary stages of any such legislation are detailed below.

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None | | |
Transport and Works Act 1992 Orders

This Act replaces Private Bill procedure for the authorisation of transport works projects
A - Application, made to the TWA Orders Unit at the Department for Transport, date refers to when the application was received in the House
O - Final order, printed as Statutory Instrument, published by The Stationery Office.
Agent - See Private Legislation—General Notes for contact details

Applications for Orders under the Transport and Works Act 1992

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*These two proposed Orders have since been consolidated into one which if made, would be entitled “The Network Rail (Thameslink 2000) Order”
### General Committees


Public Bill Committee debates on the Parliament website: [http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/stand.htm](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/stand.htm)

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Membership:

Concessionary Bus Travel Bill [HL]:

Chairman: Mr Hugh Bayley

- Mr Bob Blizzard
- Mr John Leech
- Laura Moffatt
- Mr Lee Scott
- Lynda Waltho
- Mr David Clelland
- Tom Levitt
- Andrew Rosindell
- Anne Snelgrove
- Philip Davies
- Shona McIsaac
- Paul Rowen
- Bob Spink
- Stephen Hammond
- Gillian Merron
- Mr Frank Roy
- Dr Phyllis Starkey
General Committee Meetings  
14 May – 18 May 2007

Monday 14 May

ESC  EU Document No. 6238/07; Addendum 1 & Corrigendum 1 relating to Competition: Retail Banking

Tuesday 15 May

PBC  Finance Bill Committee (except Clauses 1, 3, 7, 8, 12, 20, 21, 25, 67 and 81 to 84; Schedules 1, 18, 22 and 23; new clauses relating to microgeneration) (4th & 5th Sittings: Clauses 17-19, 22-24 & 26 agreed; Schedule 3 agreed as amended; Schedule 4 agreed on division)

PBC  Mental Health Bill [HL] (11th & 12th Sittings: Clauses 34-46, 48-52 & 54 agreed; Schedules 5, 7, 8 & 9 agreed; Clauses 47, 53 & 55 agreed as amended; Schedule 10 agreed as amended)

ESC  EU Document No. 6192/07 relating to Diplomatic and Consular Protection of Citizens in Third Countries

1st DLC  Draft Lord Chancellor (Modification of Functions) Order 2007

2nd DLC  Draft Representation of People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2007

Wednesday 16 May

PBC  Sustainable Communities Bill (9th Sitting: Clause 3 debated)

Thursday 17 May

PBC  Finance Bill Committee (except Clauses 1, 3, 7, 8, 12, 20, 21, 25, 67 and 81 to 84; Schedules 1, 18, 22 and 23; new clauses relating to microgeneration) (6th and 7th Sittings: Clauses 27-30 & 33 agreed; Schedule 6 agreed; Clauses 31 & 32 agreed as amended; Schedule 5 agreed as amended)

Friday 18 May

None

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Forthcoming General Committee Meetings
21 May – 25 May 2007

Monday 21 May

1st DLC Draft Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Quality and Safety) Regulations 2007 and the Draft Human Tissue (Quality and Safety for Human Application) Regulations 2007, 4.30pm, Room 9

Tuesday 22 May

PBC Finance Bill (except Clauses 1, 3, 7, 8, 12, 20, 21, 25, 67 and 81 to 84, Schedules 1, 18, 22 and 23, new Clauses relating to microgeneration), 10.30am & 4.30pm, Room 10

2nd DLC Cattle Identification (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (S.I., 2007 No. 1046), 4.30pm, Room 9

Wednesday 23 May

PBC Sustainable Communities Bill, 10.00am & 2.00pm, Room 10

Thursday 24 May

PBC Finance Bill (except Clauses 1, 3, 7, 8, 12, 20, 21, 25, 67 and 81 to 84, Schedules 1, 18, 22 and 23, and new Clauses relating to microgeneration), 10.30am, Room 10

Friday 25 May

None

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Membership:

Draft Human Tissues and Embryos Bill (Joint Committee)

Chairman: Mr Phil Willis
Select Committee Meetings
May 14 – May 18 2007

Monday 14 May

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: Post-16 Skills Training
Witnesses: Skillset, Skillfast-UK and People 1st

WELSH AFFAIRS
Subject: Globalisation Impact on Wales
Witnesses: Transport and General Workers’ Union, and TUC Wales; Councillor Aled Roberts, Leader, Wrexham County Borough Council (at 3pm); Association of Voluntary Organisations in Wrexham (at 3.30pm)

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS
Subject: Draft Climate Change Bill
Witnesses: Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Research and Energy Saving Trust; Friends of the Earth and RSPB (at 5.30pm)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: Managing the defence estate: quality and sustainability
Witnesses: Bill Jeffrey CB, Permanent Secretary, Sir Ian Andrews CBE TD, Second Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Defence and Vice Admiral Tim Laurence MVO ADC, Chief Executive, Defence Estates

HUMAN RIGHTS
Subject: The human rights of older persons in healthcare.
Witnesses: British Geriatrics Society and the Royal College of Nursing; Association of Directors of Adult Social Services and NHS Confederation (at 5.00pm)

Tuesday 15 May

TREASURY
Subject: (i) Globalisation: its impact on the real economy (ii) Unclaimed assets in the financial system
Witnesses: (i) Sir Martin Sorrell (ii) Grant Thornton, and Balance Foundation; Charity Bank and Skipton Building Society

DEFENCE
Subject: The work of Defence Estates
Witnesses: Vice Admiral Timothy Laurence MVO, ADC, Chief Executive, Mr David Olney, Director-General Operations, Mr Bill Clark OBE, Agency Secretary, and Mr Mike Martindale, Finance Director, Defence Estates, Ministry of Defence

CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT
Subject: Public Service Media Content
Witnesses: Ed Richards, Chief Executive Officer and Tim Suter, Partner, Content and Standards, Ofcom

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Subject: Ethics and Standards
Witness: Sir Alistair Graham

SCOTTISH AFFAIRS
Subject: Poverty in Scotland
Witnesses: Energywatch and Energy Action Scotland; Alistair Buchanan, Chief Executive and Sarah Harrison, Managing Director, Corporate Affairs, Ofgem (at 5.15pm)
Wednesday 16 May

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: Higher Education
Witnesses: Professor Ole Petersen, Liverpool University, and Professor Ian Diamond, Chair of Research Councils UK and Chief Executive of the Economic and Social Research Council

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
Subject: Investigating the oceans
Witnesses: Dr Joe Horwood, Centre for Environment, Fisheries & Aquaculture Science, Dr Robin Hensley, UK Hydrographic Office, and Dr Mike Bell, Met Office; Professor Andrew J Willmott, Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory, Professor Ed Hill, National Oceanography Centre, and Professor Peter Liss, Challenger Society for Marine Science and University of East Anglia (at 10.30am)

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: Social Fund
Witnesses: Citizen’s Advice, Disability Alliance and Help the Aged; One Parent Families, Child Poverty Action Group and Every Disabled Child Matters (at 10.30am)

EUROPEAN SCRUTINY
Subject: Inquiry into the Conclusions of the European Council and the Council of Ministers
Witness: Sir Stephen Wall

FOREIGN AFFAIRS
Subject: Global Security: Russia
Witnesses: John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Platts, Professor Yury Fedorov, Chatham House, and Anne Aldis, Head, Conflict Studies Research Centre; Professor Bill Bowring, School of Law, Birkbeck College, Dr Andrew Monaghan, Senior Research Associate, Conflict Studies Research Centre, and David Clark, Chairman, Russia Foundation (at 3.30pm)

TREASURY SUB-COMMITTEE
Subject: Efficiency Programme in the Chancellor of the Exchequer’s departments
Witnesses: HM Treasury officials, Debt Management Office officials, Government Actuary’s Department officials, and Office of Government Commerce officials

TRANSPORT
Subject: Passengers’ experience of air travel
Witnesses: Civil Aviation Authority; Gillian Merron MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Transport (at 3.30pm)

NORTHERN IRELAND AFFAIRS
Subject: The Northern Ireland Prison Service
Witness: Prison Governors’ Association

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS
Subject: Draft Climate Change Bill
Witnesses: (tbc)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: Filing VAT and Company Tax returns
Witnesses: Paul Gray CB, Chairman and Geoff Lloyd, Director of Company Tax and VAT, HM Revenue and Customs

DRAFT CLIMATE CHANGE BILL
Subject: William Wilson, Director of Cambrensis, Barrister at Environmental Law Unit, Burges Salmon, and Christopher Norton, Baker and Mackenzie; Tyndall Centre and Hadley Centre (at 2.45pm); Martin Brough, Oxera, and Richard Gledhill, PricewaterhouseCooper (at 3.15pm); Brenda Boardman, Environmental Change Institute, and Martin Gibson, Envirowise (at 3.45pm)
Thursday 17 May

HEALTH
Subject: National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence
Witnesses: Department of Health officials; National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (at 11.15am)

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Forthcoming Select Committee Meetings
May 21 – May 25 2007

Monday 21 May

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: Post-16 Skills Training
Witnesses: City and Guilds, Edexcel and OCR; British Institute of Innkeeping and Food and Drink Qualifications (at 4.45 p.m.)

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: Benefits Simplification
Witnesses: Off the Streets and into Work, Prince’s Trust and the Wise Group

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS
Subject: Draft Climate Change Bill
Witnesses: William Wilson, Director, Cambrensis Ltd and Environmental Law Unit, Burges Salmon LLP, Michael Woods, Stephenson Harwood, and Tom Bainbridge, Nabarro; Fuel Poverty Advisory Group (at 5.30 p.m.)

COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT*
Subject: Refuse Collection
Witnesses: Chartered Institution of Wastes Management; Local Government Association (at 5.20 p.m.); Greater London Authority (at 6.00 p.m.)

HUMAN RIGHTS
Subject: Human Rights Policy
Witnesses: Rt Hon Lord Falconer of Thoroton QC, Secretary of State and Lord Chancellor, and Rt Hon Baroness Ashton of Upholland, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Justice

Tuesday 22 May

HOME AFFAIRS*
Subject: Police Funding
Witnesses: Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO), Police Superintendents’ Association, Police Federation and the Association of Police Authorities; Tony McNulty MP, Minister for Policing, Security and Community Safety, Home Office (at 11.15 a.m.)

COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
Subject: Refuse Collection
Witnesses: Gary Porter, Leader, South Holland District Council, Gary Alderson, Director of Environmental and Planning Services, Mid Beds District Council, and Nicola Beach, Head of Waste and Recycling, Essex Waste Partnership

DEFENCE
Subject: Strategic Lift
Witnesses: Lt Gen Andrew Figures CBE, and Tim Rowntree, Ministry of Defence; Fabrice Brégier, Francisco Fernández Sáinz, Richard Thompson, Charles Paterson, Airbus (at 11.30 a.m.)

WELSH AFFAIRS
Subject: Globalisation and its impact on Wales
Witnesses: Sir Digby Jones, UK Skills Envoy, and Professor David Reynolds, University of Exeter

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Subject: Public Services: Putting People First
Witnesses: Peter Wilkinson, Audit Commission, and David Bell, Permanent Secretary, Department for Education and Skills
CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS*
Subject: The new Ministry of Justice
Witnesses: Rt Hon Lord Phillips of Worth Matrauers, Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales, and Rt Hon Lord Justice Thomas; Rt Hon Lord Falconer of Thoroton, Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice (at 5.00 p.m.)

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EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: Specialist Schools and Academies Trust
Witnesses: Sir Cyril Taylor GBE, Chairman, and Elizabeth Reid, Chief Executive, Specialist Schools and Academies Trust

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Subject: Cross-departmental working on development
Witnesses: Rt Hon Ian McCartney MP, Minister of State for Trade and Investment, Department for Trade and Industry, and officials

TRANSPORT
Subject: Transport Innovation Fund
Witnesses: Centre for Cities, The British Chambers of Commerce, Transport 2000; Association of Greater Manchester Authorities, Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive, Cambridgeshire County Council, The West Midlands Passenger Transport Authorities (at 3.30 p.m.); Dr Stephen Ladyman MP, Minister of State, Department for Transport (at 4.30 p.m.)

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS*
Subject: Draft Climate Change Bill
Witnesses: Office of Climate Change; Rt Hon David Miliband MP, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (at 4.15 p.m.)

FOREIGN AFFAIRS*
Subject: Global Security: Iran
Witnesses: Dr Ali Ansari, University of St Andrews, and Dr Frank Barnaby, Oxford Research Group; Lord Triesman, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office (at 4.00 p.m.)

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: Benefits Simplification
Witnesses: Disability and Carers Service, Jobcentre Plus and Pension Service; Public and Commercial Services Union (at 5.00 p.m.)

Thursday 24 May

None

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MONDAY 21 MAY

**ECONOMIC AFFAIRS FINANCE BILL SUB-COMMITTEE**
Evidence will be heard from HM Treasury; & HM Revenue & Customs. 3.30pm

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS**
Evidence will be heard from Lord Falconer; & Baroness Ashton. 4.00pm
(Human Rights Policy & the creation of the Justice Ministry)

**EUROPEAN SUB-COMMITTEE B**
Evidence will be heard from Mr Shaun Woodward MP, Minister for Creative Industries & Tourism. 4.00pm
(Inquiry into the Audiovisual Media Services Directive (TV Without Frontiers))

TUESDAY 22 MAY

**REGULATORS COMMITTEE**
Evidence will be heard from (a) Mr Ed Balls MP; & (b) Mr Jim Fitzpatrick MP; & Lord Truscott. (a) 3.10pm (b) 4.00pm
(UK Economic Regulators)

WEDNESDAY 23 MAY

**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**
Evidence will be heard from Michael Grade MBE, Chairman, ITV. 10.00am

**EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE E**
Evidence will be heard from Senior District Judge Timothy Workman, City of Westminster Magistrates’ Court. 4.15pm
(European Supervision Order in pre-trial procedures)

THURSDAY 24 MAY

**REGULATORS COMMITTEE**
Evidence will be heard from Sir John Bourn, Comptroller and Auditor General, NAO. 11.35am
(UK Economic Regulators)
Select Committees: Publications received since the last Bulletin

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| International policies and activities of the Research Councils | Oral evidence in progress: Next evidence session 6 June |
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| The UK Construction Industry | Written evidence invited |
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| Ofcom’s Annual Plan | One-off oral evidence session concluded |
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WHITE PAPERS are issued by the Government as statements of policy, and often set out proposals for legislative changes, which may be debated before a Bill is introduced. Some White Papers may invite comments.

GREEN PAPERS set out for discussion, proposals which are still at a formative stage.

All CONSULTATIVE and DISCUSSION documents which reach the House of Commons Information Office are included in this section. Inclusion in the Bulletin is for record purposes.

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Papers to which an ISBN and price are appended are normally available through The Stationery Office. For others, application should be made to the department concerned. External links provided in this section are correct as at the time of going to press, however they are not updated after that date.

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Other Papers

A new system of child maintenance: Summary of responses to the consultation, Cm 7061, ISBN: 010 1706124, £18.00


The Law Commission, Participating in Crime, ISBN: 010 1708425, Cm 7084, £32.50


The Deputy Prime Minister’s Office, Annual Report 2006/07, Cm 7102, ISBN: 010 1710220, £7.50
Education and Skills, Departmental Report 2007, Cm 7092, ISBN: 010 1709224, £32.50
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European Communities Documents to be considered
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The total number of women MPs is 126 (Lab 95; Con 17; LD 9; DU 1; SF 1; UU 1; DCWM 1; Ind Lab 1)

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## Current working Government Majority
(352 Labour MPs less 285 of all other parties – excludes Speaker & Deputies and Sinn Fein)

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