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Private Members’ Bill Fridays

The Leader of the House has announced that the following Fridays have been allocated for the consideration of Private Members’ Bills during the 2007/08 session:

2008: 25 January, 1, 22 and 29 February, 7 and 14 March, 25 April, 9 and 16 May, 6, 13 and 20 June and 17 October.

House of Commons Calendar for 2007/2008 session

The Leader of the House has announced the following provisional recess dates for the 2007/2008 session:

Christmas recess 2007
The House rose on Tuesday 18 December 2007 and returned on Monday 7 January 2008

Spring half term recess 2008
The House rose on Thursday 7 February 2008 and will return on Monday 18 February 2008

Easter recess 2008
The House will rise on Thursday 3 April 2008 and return on Monday 21 April 2008

Whitsun recess 2008
The House will rise on Thursday 22 May 2008 and return on Monday 2 June 2008

Summer recess 2008
The House will rise on Tuesday 22 July 2008 and return on Monday 6 October 2008

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Business of the House of Commons
1 – 8 February 2008

Friday 1 February

The House sat at 9.30am

**Private Members' Bills** – Special Educational Needs (Information) Bill – Mrs Sharon Hodgson (2R); Health and Safety (Offences) Bill – Keith Hill (2R); Forces Widows' Pension (Equality of Treatment) Bill – Mr Michael Mates (2R)

**Adjournment** – Housing growth in South Derbyshire – Mr Mark Todd

The House rose at 2.58pm

Monday 4 February

The House sat at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** – Children, Schools and Families, including Topical Questions

**Statement** – Members Estimate Committee – Mr Speaker

**Statement** – HMP Woodhill (Inquiry) – Mr Jack Straw

**Motion** – Relating to the Police Grant Report (on a Division, agreed to)

**Motion** – Relating to the Local Government Finance Report (on a Division, agreed to)

**Adjournment** – HM Inspector of Prisons’ report on HM Prison Chelmsford – Mr Simon Burns

The House rose at 10.44pm

Tuesday 5 February

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

**Westminster Hall Private Members' Debates** –

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The House sat at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** – Health, including Topical Questions

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Union Flag Bill – Andrew Rosindell (Bill presented and read a First time)

**Debate** – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.3); Human Rights (Motion, on a Division, agreed to)

**Legislation** – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Considered further in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 3)

**Adjournment** – Operation of the Solicitors Regulation Authority – Keith Vaz

The House rose at 12.33pm
Wednesday 6 February

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

09.30-11.00 Enforced criminal activity by children – Mr Anthony Steen
11.00-11.30 Government funding for Dorset Fire and Rescue Service – Mr Robert Syms
14.30-16.00 Waste recycling – Dr Ian Gibson
16.00-16.30 Consumer protection and new home buyers – Mark Lazarowicz
16.30-17.00 Cetacean mortality – Andrew George

The House sat at 11.30am

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

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Race Relations (Election Candidates) Bill – Keith Vaz (Bill presented and read a First time)

Debate – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.4); The Single Market (Motion, on a Division, agreed to)

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Considered further in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 4)

Adjournment – Protecting children from internet content – Mr Hugo Swire

The House rose at 8.37pm

Thursday 7 February

The House sat at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Church Commissioners, Public Accounts Commission and Speaker’s Committee on Electoral Commission; Solicitor General; Women and Equality; Leader of the House of Commons and House of Commons Commission

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Statement – Flanagan Review – Jacqui Smith

Topical Debate – NHS Staffing

Motions – Relating to European Scrutiny (Standing Orders) (as amended, agreed to)

Adjournment – Suicide prevention strategies – Mrs Madeleine Moon

The House sat in Westminster Hall between 2.30 and 5.30pm

Westminster Hall – A debate on the Report from the Transport Committee on Novice Drivers

The House rose at 6.02pm

The House rose for the Spring Recess at the conclusion of Business

Friday 8 February

The House did not sit
Written Ministerial Statements
4 – 8 February 2008

1.02.08 NHS Foundation Trusts – Mr Ben Bradshaw
4.02.08 14-19 Diplomas – Ed Balls
4.02.08 Commission on Integration and Cohesion – Hazel Blears
4.02.08 Local Government – John Healey
4.02.08 Supporting People – Caroline Flint
4.02.08 Operation Telic/Operation Herrick/Revised Seriously Injured Casualty Data – Des Browne
4.02.08 Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management (Budget Allocations and Outcome Targets) – Hilary Benn
4.02.08 General Affairs and External Relations Council - 28 January 2008 – Mr Jim Murphy
4.02.08 Scrutiny of European Business – Helen Goodman
4.02.08 Independent Police Complaints Commission: Oversight of Border and Immigration Agency – Mr Liam Byrne
4.02.08 Justice and Home Affairs Informal Council 25 and 26 January 2008 – Meg Hillier
4.02.08 Civil Justice Council Review – Bridget Prentice
4.02.08 Government Skills – Mr Gordon Brown
5.02.08 ECOFIN: 22 January 2008 – Mr Alistair Darling
5.02.08 Government Response to the European Commission Cohesion Policy (Consultation) – Mr Pat McFadden
5.02.08 “Staying Safe Action Plan” – Kevin Brennan
5.02.08 DARA’s Rotary Wing and Components Business – Mr Bob Ainsworth
5.02.08 US Emergency Donor Blood Transfusions – Derek Twigg
5.02.08 Prospects for the European Union (2008) – Mr Jim Murphy
5.02.08 Ministerial Authorisation Under Section 19D of the Race Relations Act 1976 (as Amended) – Mr Liam Byrne
6.02.08 Strategic Export Controls (2007 Review) – Malcolm Wicks
6.02.08 Financial Reporting Council – Mr Gareth Thomas
6.02.08 EU Youth Council – Beverley Hughes
6.02.08 Local Government – John Healey
6.02.08 Afghanistan Roulement – Des Browne
6.02.08 Goat Experiments (Cessation) – Derek Twigg
6.02.08 Migration Reform (Points-based System) – Mr Liam Byrne
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6.02.08 Crossrail Safeguarding – Mr Tom Harris
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**18 – 22 February 2008**

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**Monday 18 February**

*The House will sit at 2.30pm*

**Oral Questions** – Work and Pensions, including Topical Questions

**Legislation** – Health and Social Care Bill – Remaining stages

**Adjournment** – Regulation of the insurance industry and the case of Mrs Susan Hurrells – Mr Denis Murphy

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**Tuesday 19 February**

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

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** –

09.30-11.00 Thefts following credit and debit card cloning – Andrew Selous

11.00-12.30 Criminal courts sentencing options – Mr David Kidney

12.30-13.00 Stone conservation in cathedrals and churches – Robert Key

13.00-13.30 Calderdale’s housing strategy – Chris McCafferty

13.30-14.00 Consumer protection and the will writing industry – Lorely Burt

*The House will sit at 2.30pm*

**Oral Questions** – Foreign and Commonwealth Office, including Topical Questions

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Allotments (Planning) Bill – Tony Baldry

**Debate** – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.5); Foreign, Security and Defence policy

**Legislation** – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 5)

**Adjournment** – Homeopathic hospitals – David Tredinnick

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**Wednesday 20 February**

*The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-5.00pm*

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** –

09.30-11.00 Withdrawal of Leeds working neighbourhood funding – Mr George Mudie

11.00-11.30 Development aid and oil extraction – Mr Andrew Smith

14.30-16.00 Funding for policing in Peterborough and Cambridgeshire – Mr Stewart Jackson

16.00-16.30 Environment Agency response to flooding in Rochdale – Paul Rowen

16.30-17.00 Office of Fair Trading actions on scams – Miss Anne Begg

*The House will sit at 11.30am*

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

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Criminal Justice (Raves) Bill – Mr Christopher Fraser

**Debate** – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.6); International Development
Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 6)

Adjournment – Cyber bullying amongst school-age children – Mrs Siân C.James

Thursday 21 February

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Innovation, Universities and Skills, including Topical Questions

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Topical Debate – ***

Motion – To approve the Draft Prevention of Terrorism Act 2005 (Continuance in force of sections 1 to 9) Order 2008


Adjournment – Schools reorganisation in Havering – James Brokenshire

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 2.30pm and 5.30pm

Westminster Hall – A debate on the Sixth Report from the Health Committee, Session 2006-07, on The Electronic Patient Record, HC 422, and the Government response, Cm 7264

Friday 22 February

The House will sit at 9.30am

Private Members’ Bills – Temporary and Agency Workers (Equal Treatment) Bill – Andrew Miller (2R); Leasehold Reform Bill – Simon Hughes (2R); Football Spectators and Sports Grounds Bill – Mr Russell Brown (2R); Climate Change (Sectoral Targets) Bill – Colin Challen (2R); Forces Widows’ Pensions (Equality of Treatment) Bill – Mr Michael Mates (2R)

Adjournment – Effects of the Gambling Act 2005 on the coin operated gaming machine industry – Dr Stephen Ladyman

*Details known previous Thursday after 1.00pm

** There are no Westminster Hall Adjournment Debates scheduled

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**Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons**

**25 – 29 February 2008**

**Monday 25 February**

_The House will sit at 2.30pm_

**Oral Questions** – Home Office, including Topical Questions

**Debate** – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.7); Effectiveness of EU Institutions and EU Decision-making

**Legislation** – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 7)

**Adjournment** – Visas for children from Belarus – Willie Rennie

**Tuesday 26 February**

_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** – Communities and Local Government, including Topical Questions

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Small Print Bill – Dr Nick Palmer

**Debate** – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.8); Climate Change

**Legislation** – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 8)

**Adjournment** –*

**Wednesday 27 February**

_The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-5.00pm_

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** –*

_The House will sit at 11.30am_

**Oral Questions** – Wales; Prime Minister

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill – Sir Robert Smith

**Legislation** – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 9)

**Adjournment** –*
Thursday 28 February

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform, including Topical Questions

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Topical Debate – ***

Debate – Welsh Affairs

Adjournment – *

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 2.30pm and 5.30pm

Westminster Hall – A debate on the Fifth Report from the Communities and Local Government Committee, Session 2006-07, on Refuse Collection, and the Governments response, HC 1095

Friday 29 February

The House will sit at 9.30am

Private Members’ Bills – British Board of Film Classification (Accountability to Parliament and Appeals) Bill – Mr Julian Brazier (2R); Drugs (Reclassification) Bill – Mr Christopher Chope (2R); Expenses of Public Servants (Publication) Bill – Norman Baker (2R)

Adjournment – *

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**Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords**  
**18 – 22 February 2008**

**Monday 18 February (2.30pm)**

**Oral Questions** – Baroness Gardner of Parkes to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will take steps to ensure that local authorities act in accordance with the guidance High Hedges Complaints: Prevention and Cure. Baroness Stern to ask Her Majesty’s Government whom they propose to consult about the recommendations on prison building in Lord Carter of Coles’s Review of Prisons. Baroness Prosser to ask Her Majesty’s Government what action they are taking to support the work of the police service in Northern Ireland. Earl of Onslow to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will review the appropriateness of appointing advisers to the Government who are members of select committees of the House of Lords

**Legislation** – European Communities (Finance) Bill (Third reading)

**Legislation** – Children and Young Persons Bill [HL] (Report stage)

**Delegated Legislation** – Infant Formula and Follow-on Formula (England) Regulations 2007 – motion to annul

**Tuesday 19 February (11.00am)**

**Oral Questions** – Lord Jenkin of Roding to ask Her Majesty’s Government what support from other countries there has been for the United Kingdom’s proposal for a uranium enrichment bond as a means of tackling the proliferation risks arising from the worldwide growth in civil nuclear power. Lord Foulkes of Cumnock to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will consider introducing a new bank holiday in the United Kingdom. Lord Dykes to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will discuss further financial reforms of the European Union farming support system at forthcoming meetings with the governments of Germany and France

**Legislation** – Channel Tunnel Rail Link (Supplementary Provisions) Bill (Second reading)

**Legislation** – Sale of Student Loans Bill (Second reading)

**Wednesday 20 February (3.00pm)**

**Oral Questions** – Lord Anderson of Swansea to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the rate of recruitment of United Kingdom nationals to all levels of the European Commission is satisfactory. Lord Roberts of Conwy to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will prepare a package of fiscal measures to support any interest rate reductions. Lord Addington to ask Her Majesty’s Government what progress has been made on the planning and accountability for a sporting legacy from the 2012 London Olympic and Paralympic Games in the elite and participatory sectors

**Legislation** – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Committee stage, day 3)

**Question for short debate** – on the steps proposed to support the training of disabled people on computers in their own home (V. Falkland)

**Thursday 21 February (11.00am)**

**Oral Questions** – Lord Crisp to ask Her Majesty’s Government, in the light of shortages of donated organs, what is their policy on the use of mechanical assistance devices such as heart pumps in the National Health Service. Baroness O’Cathain to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is the policy of the Royal Parks on private events held in Victoria Tower Gardens. Lord Geddes to ask Her Majesty’s Government how many game licences were issued in the 12 months prior to their abolition on 1 August 2007
**Legislation** – Alcohol Labelling Bill [HL] (Committee stage)

**Debate** – on financial inequality in the United Kingdom, and to move for papers (L. Harries of Pentregarth)

**Delegated Legislation** – Companies (Late Filing Penalties) and Limited Liability Partnerships (Filing Periods and Late Filing Penalties) Regulations 2008; Statutory Auditors (Delegation of Functions etc.) Order 2008; Companies (Trading Disclosures) Regulations 2008; Northumberland (Structural Change) Order 2008; Wiltshire (Structural Change) Order 2008; County Durham (Structural Change) Order 2008; Cornwall (Structural Change) Order 2008; Shropshire (Structural Change) Order 2008 (Grand Committee, Moses Room, 2.00pm)

**Friday 22 February (10.00am)**

**Legislation** – Retail Development Bill [HL] (Second reading)

**Legislation** – House of Lords (Amendment) Bill [HL] (Second reading)
Provisional Future Business of the House of Lords
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Monday 25 February (2.30pm)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Morris of Manchester to ask Her Majesty’s Government what has been the response of the Pensions Appeal Tribunals to the proposals set out in the Consultation Paper Transforming Tribunals. Lord Sheldon to ask Her Majesty’s Government what estimate has been made of any shortfall in the financing of the 2012 Olympic Games. Baroness Byford to ask Her Majesty’s Government what consideration they have given to the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration’s report into the ban on swill feeding. Lord Steinberg to ask Her Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the effect that the run on Northern Rock has had on the United Kingdom’s reputation as a leading financial centre

**Legislation** – Climate Change Bill [HL] (Report stage, day 1)

**Legislation** – Employment Bill [HL] (Grand Committee, day 2, Moses Room, 3.30pm)

Tuesday 26 February (2.30pm)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Berkeley to ask Her Majesty’s Government what action they are taking to reduce deaths and injuries to cyclists in road accidents. Lord Ashley of Stoke to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to establish independent living for disabled people. Baroness Murphy to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have to further the work of the National Spirituality and Mental Health Forum in the light of the devolution of care services improvement partnership funding to regional areas

**Legislation** – Dormant Bank and Building Society Accounts Bill [HL] (Third reading)

**Legislation** – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Committee stage, day 4)

**Delegated Legislation** – Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers’ Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2008; Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2008; Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2008 (Grand Committee, Moses Room, 2.30pm)

Wednesday 27 February (3.00pm)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Dubs to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have any plans to review the law and procedures regarding coroners’ inquests. Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty’s Government what assistance they are offering to the government of Sri Lanka following the recommendations of the All Party Representative Committee in that country. Lord Blaker to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their assessment of the political, military and economic situation in Afghanistan

**Legislation** – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Committee stage, day 5)

Thursday 28 February (11.00am)

**Oral Questions** – Baroness Valentine to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they will take to tackle the length of immigration control queues at the United Kingdom’s major airports. Lord Campbell-Savours to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will review the role of juries in rape trials. Baroness Rendell of Babergh to ask Her Majesty’s Government what proposals they have for requiring manufacturers to reduce the high amounts of salt in some children’s food

**Debates** – on the case for strengthening families, community cohesion, and social action, and to move for papers (B. Gardner of Parkes); on the quality of care given to NHS patients in both hospitals and community settings, and to move for papers (B. Eccles of Moulton); on the EU Committee report on the Commission’s annual policy strategy (L. Grenfell)
## Legislation – General Notes

In the list of Bills which follows, the type of Bill is shown at the left-hand margin next to 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
- **[HL]** Bill starting in the House of Lords
- **HYBRID** Public Bill which affects private interests of particular persons or corporate bodies as distinct from the private interests of all persons or bodies

### Abbreviations:

- **1R** First reading: date of presentation (formal, no debate)
- **2R** Second reading (debate on the principle(s) of the Bill)
- **MR** Money resolution (normally taken after 2R only shown in the list if taken at another time)
- **GM** Guillotine Motion
- **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 principles (equates with SRC)
- **PBC** Public Bill Committee in the House of Commons
- **Comm** Committee of the Whole House
- **Comm** House of Lords Grand Committee, taken in a committee room
- **JCCB** Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills
- **JCTLRB** Joint Committee on Tax Law Re-write Bills (the date indicates the date on which the Bill was committed to the Joint Committee).
- **SC** Standing Committee
- **SSC/SSSC** Special Standing Committee/Special Scottish Standing Committee on a Bill, where public evidence is taken
- **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 of a bill on the same day (usually report stage and third reading)
- **LA** Lords' amendments considered in the House of Commons
- **CA** Commons' amendments considered in the House of Lords
- **RA** Bill formally becomes an Act of Parliament
- **CH** Chapter number
- **CO** Carry-over Motion
- **RC** Re-committal to a Public Bill Committee, or to Committee stage in House of Lords
- **Prog** Programme Motion
- **ATM** Allocation of Time Motion
- **SelCom** Bill referred to a Select Committee
- **Prov 2R (Rep,3R)** Provisional date for 2R 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.
- **Pri** Private sitting (can occur at any stage)
- **#** Indicates proceedings were formal with no debate
- **Deb adj** Debate adjourned
- **Order for 2nd Reading lapsed** Bill has not been printed, therefore does not appear on the order paper on the named day
- **Dropped** Day for the next reading has not been named or time has run out for the Bill to be considered
- **Withdrawn** Member in charge has withdrawn the Bill
- **Stood over** Fewer than 40 Members present at a division, question not decided and business under consideration stood over until next sitting of the House
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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Jacqui Smith  
Commons: (63)  1R: 24.1.2008  
Prov 2R: No date

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND IMMIGRATION (G)  
David Hanson / Lord Hunt of Kings Heath  
(introduced in 2006-07 and carried over to 2007-08)  
Commons: (1, 15, 2007-08)  1R: 7.11.2007  *2R: 7.11.2007  PBC: 20, 22, 27 & 29.11.2007  
Prov: 2R. No date

CROSSRAIL (HYBRID BILL) (HYBRID)  
Douglas Alexander / Lord Bassam of Brighton  
(introduced in 2004-05, carried over to 2005-06, carried over to 2006-07 and carried over to 2007-08)  

EDUCATION AND SKILLS (G)  
Ed Balls  

EDUCATION (CHILDREN WITH AUTISM) (T)  
Lee Scott  
Commons: (56)  1R: 16.1.2008 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (3)

DISABILITY (RECLASSIFICATION) (P)  
Christopher Chope  
Commons: (37)  *1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 29.2.2008 (2)

DISABILITY (ROADSIDE TESTING) (P)  
Christopher Chope  
Commons: (38)  *1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (2)

DORMANT BANK AND BUILDING SOCIETY ACCOUNTS [HL] (G)  
Lord Davies of Oldham  

DRUGS (RECLASSIFICATION) (P)  
Christopher Chope  
Commons: (37)  *1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 29.2.2008 (2)

EDUCATION AND SKILLS (G)  
Ed Balls  

EMPTOYMENT [HL] (G)  
Lord Jones of Birmingham

EMPTOYMENT RETENTION (T)  
John Robertson

ENERGY (G)  
John Hutton


DORMANT BANK AND BUILDING SOCIETY ACCOUNTS [HL] (G)  
Lord Davies of Oldham  

DRUGS (RECLASSIFICATION) (P)  
Christopher Chope  
Commons: (37)  *1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 29.2.2008 (2)

EDUCATION AND SKILLS (G)  
Ed Balls  

EMPTOYMENT [HL] (G)  
Lord Jones of Birmingham

EMPTOYMENT RETENTION (T)  
John Robertson

ENERGY (G)  
John Hutton


PBC: 5.2.2008  Prov PBC: 19 & 21.2.2008
ENERGY SAVING (DAYLIGHT) (B2)                 Tim Yeo
Commons: (21)  *1R: 5.12.2007  Prov 2R: 7.3.2008 (2)
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (AIRPORTS) (B17)                 Justine Greening
Commons: (34)  *1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 14.3.2008 (2)
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (TRANSFERS AT SEA) (B8)                 Mark Lazarowicz
Commons: (20)  *1R: 5.12.2007  2R: 25.1.2008 (2) (Deb adj - Withdrawn)
EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (FINANCE) (G)                 Alistair Darling / Lord Davies of Oldham
EUROPEAN UNION (AUDIT OF BENEFITS AND COSTS OF UK MEMBERSHIP) (P)                 Christopher Chope
Prov Comm: 6, 19 & 20.2.2008
EUROPEAN UNION (AMENDMENT) (G)                 David Miliband
Commons: (46)  *1R: 22.1.2008 (Not printed)
Prov 2R: 20.6.2008 (1)
EXPENSES OF PUBLIC SERVANTS (PUBLICATION) (P)                 Norman Baker
Commons: (46)  *1R: 18.12.2007  Prov 2R: 29.2.2008 (3)
FIXED TERM PARLIAMENTS (B12)                 David Howarth
Commons: (30)  *1R: 5.12.2007  Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (1)
FOOD PRODUCTS (MARKETING TO CHILDREN) (B7)                 Nigel Griffiths
Commons: (19)  *1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (1)
FOOTBALL SPECTATORS AND SPORTS GROUNDS (P)                 Russell Brown
Commons: (59)  *1R: 22.1.2008 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 22.2.2008 (3)
FORCES WIDOWS’ PENSIONS (EQUALITY OF TREATMENT) (B13)                 Michael Mates
Commons: (31)  *1R: 5.12.2007  2R: 1.2.2008 (3) (Deb adj)  Prov 2R: 22.2.2008 (5)
FOREIGN NATIONALS (STATISTICS) (B19)                 William Cash
Commons: (36)  *1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (1)
HEALTH AND SAFETY (OFFENCES) (B9)                 Keith Hill
Commons: (29)  *1R: 5.12.2007  2R: 1.2.2008 (2)  Prov PBC: No date
HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (G)                 Alan Johnson
HOUSE OF LORDS (AMENDMENT) [HL] (L)                 Lord Avebury
Lords: (22)  *1R: 21.1.2008  Prov 2R: 22.2.2008
HOUSE OF LORDS [HL] (L)                 Lord Steel of Aikwood
Lords: (3)  *1R: 7.11.2007  2R: 30.11.2007  Comm: 17.1.2008  Prov Comm: No date
HOUSING AND REGENERATION (G)                 Hazel Blears
Commons: (8, 54)  *1R: 15.11.2007  2R: 27.11.2007  Prog: 27.11.2007  MR: 27.11.2007
HUMAN FERTILISATION AND EMBRYOLOGY [HL] (G)                 Lord Darzi of Denham
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HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1998 (MEANING OF PUBLIC FUNCTION) (T)                 Andrew Dismore
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KIDNEY TRANSPLANT [HL] (L)                 Baroness Finlay of Llandaff
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LEASEHOLD REFORM (B14)  
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Simon Hughes

LOCAL TRANSPORT [HL] (G)  
Lords: (1, 15)  
*1R: 7.11.2007  
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Comm**: 6, 12 & 17.12.2007  
Lord Bassam of Brighton / Ruth Kelly

Commons: (67)  
*1R: 31.1.2008  
Prov 2R: No date

NATIONAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS (G)  
Commons: (7)  
*1R: 12.11.2007  
2R: 17.12.2007  
Prog: 17.12.2007  
PBC: 15.1.2008  
Alistair Darling

Rep: 31.1.2008  
3R: 31.1.2008

Lords: (28)  
1R: 4.2.2008  
Prov 2R: No date

ONLINE PURCHASING OF GOODS AND SERVICES (AGE VERIFICATION) (T)  
Commons: (57)  
*1R: 22.1.2008 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (4)  
Margaret Moran

PEDLARS (STREET TRADING REGULATIONS) (P)  
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*1R: 10.12.2007  
Prov 2R: 7.3.2008 (4)  
Brian Iddon

PENSIONS (G)  
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*1R: 5.12.2007  
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Peter Hain

PBC: 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 & 31.1 & 5 & 7.2.2008

PLANNING (G)  
Commons: (11)  
*1R: 27.11.2007  
2R: 10.12.2007  
Prog: 10.12.2007  
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PBC: 5.2.2008  
Hazel Blears

PLANNING (LOCATION OF HAZARDOUS SITES) (T)  
Commons: (55)  
*1R: 15.1.2008 (Not printed)  
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Bob Spink

PLANNING AND ENERGY (B1)  
Commons: (17)  
*1R: 5.12.2007  
2R: 25.1.2008 (1)  
Prov PBC: 20.2.2008  
Michael Fallon

POWERS OF ENTRY ETC. [HL] (L)  
Lords: (5, 5)  
*1R: 7.11.2007  
2R: 14.12.2007  
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Lord Selsdon

PRIVATE EQUITY (TRANSFER OF UNDERTAKINGS AND PROTECTION OF EMPLOYMENT) (B5)  
Commons: (28)  
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John Heppell

PUBLIC SECTOR BUILDINGS (ENERGY PERFORMANCE) (B18)  
Commons: (35)  
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Anne Snelgrove

RACE RELATIONS (ELECTION CANDIDATES) (T)  
Commons: (66)  
1R: 6.2.2008 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (3)  
Keith Vaz

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Lords: (7)  
*1R: 8.11.2007  
2R: 28.11.2007  
Comm**: 21, 23, 28 & 30.1; 6.2.2008  
Lord Bach

Prov Rep: No date

RETAIL DEVELOPMENT [HL] (L)  
Lords: (23)  
*1R: 22.1.2008  
Prov 2R: 22.2.2008  
Lord Cotter

ROAD TRAFFIC (CONGESTION REDUCTION) (P)  
Commons: (42)  
*1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (2)  
Christopher Chope

ROAD TRAFFIC (PROHIBITION OF ANTI-DETECTION DEVICES) (P)  
Commons: (47)  
*1R: 18.12.2007 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (2)  
Alistair Carmichael

RUNAWAY AND MISSING CHILDREN (T)  
Commons: (51)  
1R: 9.1.2008 (Not printed)  
Prov 2R: 20.6.2008 (2)  
Helen Southworth

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Lords: (27)  
*1R: 30.1.2008  
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Earl of Caithness
SALE OF STUDENT LOANS (G)  
John Denham / Lord Triesman
Lords: (24)  1R: 24.1.2008  Prov 2R: 19.2.2008

SALE OF WINE (MEASURES) (T)  
Greg Mulholland
Commons: (64)  1R: 30.1.2008 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 20.6.2008 (3)

SOUND RECORDINGS (COPYRIGHT TERM EXTENSION) (B16)  
Pete Wishart
Commons: (33)  *1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 7.3.2008 (3)

SOVEREIGNTY OF PARLIAMENT (EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES) (P)  
Christopher Chope
Commons: (40)  *1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (1)

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (INFORMATION) (B2)  
Sharon Hodgson
Commons: (26)  *1R: 5.12.2007  2R: 1.2.2008 (1)  Prov PBC: No date

TEMPORARY AND AGENCY WORKERS (EQUAL TREATMENT) (B3)  
Andrew Miller
Commons: (27)  *1R: 5.12.2007  Prov 2R: 22.2.2008 (1)

TORTURE (DAMAGES) [HL] (L)  
Lord Archer of Sandwell
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UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD (DONATION) (T)  
David Burrowes
Commons: (50)  1R: 8.1.2008 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (2)

UNION FLAG (T)  
Andrew Rosindell
Commons: (65)  1R: 5.2.2008 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (3)

VOTING AGE (REDUCTION) (B22)  
Julie Morgan
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Draft Bills under consideration or published during 2007–08 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 2007/08 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](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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* 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

- **Bircham Dyson Bell LLP**, 50 Broadway, Westminster, London, SW1H 0BL, 020 7227 7000  
  E-mail: pamthompson@bdb-law.co.uk


- **Rees & Freres**, 1 The Sanctuary, London, SW1P 3JT, 020 7222 5381  
  E-mail: enquiries@1thesanctuary.com

- **Sharpe Pritchard**, Elizabeth House, Fulwood Place, London, WC1V 6HG, 020 7405 4600  
  E-mail: parliamentary@sharpepritchard.co.uk

- **Winckworth Sherwood**, 35 Great Peter Street, London, SW1P 3LR, 020 7593 5000  
  E-mail: agorlov@winckworths.co.uk

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 HC1O Factsheet L4

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(The Bill is opposed. There are 3 petitions outstanding)
MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)
Commons: (2006-07) *BS: 24.10.2007
Commons: (2007-08) *1R: 29.11.2007 Prov 2R: 19.2.2008
(The Bill is opposed, 1 petition outstanding)

NORTHERN BANK (Bircham Dyson Bell LLP)
Commons: () *1R: 22.1.2008 *2R: 29.1.2008
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL (Sharpe Pritchard)
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the House of Commons)

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL (Sharpe Pritchard)
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

ST. AUSTELL MARKET (Bircham Dyson Bell LLP)
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON [HL] (Eversheds LLP)
Commons: (2005-06) *BS: 6.11.2006
Lords: (2006-07) *BS: 22.10.2007
Commons: (2007-08) *BR: 8.11.2007 Prov SelCom: No date
(The Bill is opposed; 2 petitions outstanding)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (SUPPLEMENTAL TOLL PROVISIONS) [HL] (Eversheds LLP)
Commons: (2006-07) *BS: 24.10.2007
Lords: (2007-08) *BR: 8.11.2007 Prov UBC: No date

Copy of a Draft Provisional Order deposited under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936
Aberdeen City Council Provisional Order – Examined on 15th January 2008
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](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 8 February 2008

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](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmsilist/cmsilist.htm).

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

#### Draft Proposals

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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) a draft order in the same terms as the proposal should be laid before the House
- b) the proposal should be amended before a draft order is laid before the House
- c) the order or draft order should be approved
- d) the order should be replaced by a modified order
- e) the order or draft order should not be approved

### Proposals for Draft Orders

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Northern Ireland Legislation: proceedings as at 8 February 2008

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: 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: http://www.niassembly.gov.uk/

For further details on Northern Ireland Legislation can be found in HCIO factsheet available on the internet at: http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_publications_and_archives/factsheets/l08.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 and 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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**Membership:**

**Pensions Bill**

Mr Stewart Jackson discharged; James Duddridge nominated in substitution

**Planning and Energy Bill**

Chairmen: Mr Peter Atkinson
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General Committee Meetings
28 January – 1 February 2008

Monday 4 February

1st DLC  Draft Regional Learning and Skills Council Regulations 2007
2nd DLC  Draft Companies (Late Filing Penalties) and Limited Liability Partnerships (Filing Periods and Late Filing Penalties) Regulations 2008
3rd DLC  Draft Representation of the People (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 and Draft Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) (Amendment) Order 2008
ESC  Freight Transport (14277/07 and Addenda 1 and 2, 14175/07 and Addenda 1 and 2 14165/07 & Addenda 1 and 2)

Tuesday 5 February

PBC  Planning Bill (17th and 18th Sittings: Clauses 173-186 agreed; Clauses 172, 182, 187-188 agreed as amended; Schedule 6 agreed as amended)
PBC  Pensions Bill (13th and 14th Sittings: Clauses 58-67 agreed; Schedule 1)
PBC  Education and Skills Bill (9th and 10th Sittings: Clause 3-4 agreed; Clause 2 agreed to on division)
PBC  Energy Bill
4th DLC  Draft Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (Representations and Appeals) (Wales) Regulations 2008
ESC  Regulation of Electricity and Gas (13043/07, 13045/07, 13212/07, 13219/07, 13046/07, 13048/07 and 13049/07)

Wednesday 6 February

5th DLC  Draft Companies (Trading Disclosures) Regulations 2008
6th DLC  Draft County Durham (Structural Change) Order 2008 and Draft Northumberland (Structural Change) Order 2008

Thursday 7 February

PBC  Education and Skills Bill (11th and 12th Sittings: Clauses 6, 7-11 agreed; Clauses 5, 13 agreed as amended; Clause 12 agreed to on division)
PBC  Pensions Bill (15th and 16th Sittings: Clauses 68-76, 78-79 agreed; Clause 7 agreed as amended; Schedules 2, 3 agreed)
7th DLC  Draft Statutory Auditors (Delegation of Functions etc) Order 2008
8th DLC  Draft Cornwall (Structural Change) Order 2008

Friday 8 February

None

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**Forthcoming General Committee Meetings**

**18 – 22 February 2008**

**Monday 18 February**

1st DLC  Draft Greater London Authority Elections (Election Addresses) (Amendment) Order 2008, 4.30pm, Room 9

2nd DLC  Draft FCO Services Trading Fund Order 2008, 4.30pm, Room 10

3rd DLC  Draft Defence Support Group Trading Fund Order 2008, 4.30pm, Room 11


**Tuesday 19 February**

PBC  Pensions Bill, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 10

PBC  Education and Skills, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 12

PBC  Energy Bill, 10.30am, Boothroyd Room, PCH

5th DLC  Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers’ Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2008, 10.30am, Room 9


**Wednesday 20 February**

PBC  Planning and Energy Bill, 9.15am, Room 10

7th DLC  Draft Industrial Training Levy (Construction Industry Training Board) Order 2008 and Draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Industry Training Board) Order 2008, 2.30pm, Room 9

8th DLC  Draft Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating) Order 2008, 2.30pm, Room 12

**Thursday 21 February**

PBC  Education and Skills Bill, 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 12

PBC  Pensions Bill, 9.30am & 1.00pm, Room 10

PBC  Energy Bill, 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 11

**Friday 22 February**

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Membership:

Modernisation of the House

Mr Adrian Sanders discharged; John Hemming added

Justice

Mr Humfrey Malins discharged; Mr Andrew Turner added

Scottish Affairs

Mr David Hamilton discharged; Mr Jim McGovern added

Administration

Frank Dobson discharged; Mr Tom Clarke added
Select Committee Meetings
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Monday 4 February

Work and Pensions
Subject: Health and Safety
Witnesses: Prospect and UCATT; GMB and TUC

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Subject: Flooding
Witnesses: Central Networks and National Grid; Environment Agency

Public Accounts*
Subject: Progress in tackling benefit fraud
Witnesses: Sir Leigh Lewis KCB, Permanent Secretary, Department for Work and Pensions

Tuesday 5 February

Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform*
Subject: The Post Office Closure Programme
Witnesses: Communication Workers Union; Post Office Ltd Pat McFadden MP, Minister for Employment Relations and Postal Affairs, Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

Culture, Media and Sport
Subject: Tourism
Witnesses: VisitBritain and VisitEngland; Rt Hon Margaret Hodge MP, Minister of State, Department for Culture, Media and Sport

Welsh Affairs
Subject: Globalisation and its impact on Wales
Witnesses: BBC Wales; Tinopolis PLC and Design Humanities, NEWI

Home Affairs*
Subject: Human Trafficking
Witnesses: Anti-Slavery International

Wednesday 6 February

Children, Schools and Families
Subject: Children ‘Under the Radar’
Witnesses: Dr Jo Aldridge, Loughborough University, Kathy Evans, The Children’s Society and John Reacroft, Barnardo’s

Modernisation of the House of Commons
Subject: Regional Accountability
Witnesses: South East Regional Assembly, East of England Regional Assembly, North East Assembly, Yorkshire and Humber Regional Assembly, and Nigel Rudd, East Midlands Regional Assembly; Local Government Association

Foreign Affairs
Subject: Overseas Territories
Witnesses: Hon Joe Bossano MP, Leader of the Gibraltar Opposition
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Treasury Sub-Committee
Subject: Counting the population
Witnesses: Angela Eagle MP, Exchequer Secretary, HM Treasury

Transport
Subject: Freight Transport
Witnesses: PD Ports Ltd, Peel Ports, British Ports Association and UK Mayor Ports Group; Network Rail, Freight on Rail and English, Welsh and Scottish Railway British Waterways, Sea and Water, Port of London Authority and GPS Marine Contractors Ltd

Public Accounts
Subject: Making changes in operational PFI projects
Witnesses: John Kingman, Second Permanent Secretary, and Gordon McKechnie, Head of PFI Policy, HM Treasury, and James Stewart, Chief Executive, Partnerships UK

Northern Ireland Affairs*
Subject: Policing and Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland
Witnesses: Sir Hugh Orde, Chief Constable, and Alistair Finlay, Assistant Chief Constable, Crime Support Department, Police Service of Northern Ireland

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*
Subject: Flooding
Witnesses: Phil Woolas MP, Minister of State for the Environment, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Thursday 7 February

Health
Subject: Dental Services
Witnesses: Challenge, and John Taylor, former Chief Executive of the Dental Practice Board for England and Wales; Dr Barry Cockcroft, Chief Dental Officer, Department of Health

Public Administration
Subject: Lobbying
Witnesses: Rod Cartwright, Public Relations Consultants Association, Gill Morris, Association of Professional Political Consultants and Lionel Zetter, Chartered Institute of Public Relations

Friday 8 February

None

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# Forthcoming Select Committee Meetings

## 18 – 22 February 2008

### Monday 18 February

**Children, Schools and Families**
- **Subject:** Testing and Assessment
- **Witnesses:** Jim Knight MP, Minister for Schools and Learners, Department for Children, Schools and Families
- **Time:** 3:45pm
- **Room:** The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

**Health**
- **Subject:** Modernising Medical Careers
- **Witnesses:** Liam Byrne MP, Minister for Borders and Immigration, Home Office; and Judith Macgregor, Director of Migration, Foreign and Commonwealth Office; Rt Hon Alan Johnson MP, Secretary of State, Hugh Taylor CB, Permanent Secretary, Sir Liam Donaldson, Chief Medical Officer, and Clare Chapman, Director General for Workforce, Department of Health (at 4.45 p.m.)
- **Time:** 4pm
- **Room:** 8, Palace of Westminster

**Communities and Local Government**
- **Subject:** Homes and Communities Agency
- **Witnesses:** Sir Bob Kerslake, Chief Executive-designate
- **Time:** 4:30pm
- **Room:** The Grimmond Room, Portcullis House

**Public Accounts**
- **Subject:** Leaving the Services
- **Witnesses:** Sir Bill Jeffrey KCB, Permanent Under Secretary, Chris Baker OBE, Director-General, Personnel Policy, and Air Commodore Phil Miles, Director of Resettlement, Ministry of Defence
- **Time:** 4:30pm
- **Room:** Committee Room 15, Palace of Westminster

**Environment, Food and Rural Affairs**
- **Subject:** Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966
- **Witnesses:** Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons
- **Time:** 5:15pm
- **Room:** The Thatcher Room, Portcullis House

### Tuesday 19 February

**Environmental Audit**
- **Subject:** Post-Kyoto: The International Context for Progress on Climate Change
- **Witnesses:** Greenpeace and the International Institute for Environment and Development; Corporate Leaders Group on Climate Change and International Energy Agency (at 11.10 a.m.)
- **Time:** 10:20am
- **Room:** Committee Room 16, Palace of Westminster

**Culture, Media and Sport**
- **Subject:** European Commission White Paper on Sport
- **Witnesses:** Rugby Football Union, England and Wales Cricket Board and Sports Rights Owners Coalition; Football Association and the Premier League (at 11.15 a.m.); Central Council for Physical Recreation and Women’s Sport and Fitness (at 12.00 p.m.)
- **Time:** 10:30am
- **Room:** The Thatcher Room, Portcullis House

**Home Affairs**
- **Subject:** (i) Domestic Violence (ii) The Government’s Counter-Terrorism Bill (at 12 noon)
- **Witnesses:** (i) Women’s Aid, Refugee, and Karma Nirvana; Respect, Male Advice Line, and Domestic Violence Intervention Project (at 11.15 a.m.) (ii) Rt Hon Jacqui Smith MP, Secretary of State for the Home Department
- **Time:** 10:30am
- **Room:** The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

**Joint Committee on Human Rights**
- **Subject:** Immigration and Human Rights
- **Witnesses:** Liam Byrne MP, Minister of State, Home Office
- **Time:** 1:45pm
- **Room:** Committee Room 5, Palace of Westminster
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**Justice**
Subject: Devolution: A Decade On
Witnesses: Rt Hon Kenneth Clarke MP, Lord Tyler CBE and Professor Vernon Bogdanor; Campaign for an English Parliament and Unlock Democracy (at 5.15 p.m.)

**Wednesday 20 February**

**Innovation, Universities and Schools**
Subject: Science Budget Allocations
Witnesses: Ian Pearson MP, Minister for Science and Innovation, and Professor Sir Keith O’Nions, Director General, Science and Innovation, Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills

**Children, Schools and Families**
Subject: Children and Young Persons Bill
Witnesses: Kevin Brennan MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Children, Schools and Families

**Modernisation of the House of Commons**
Subject: Regional Accountability
Witnesses: Strategic Health Authorities, Learning and Skills Council and Arts Council England

**Transport**
Subject: Delivering a Sustainable Railway: A 30-year strategy for the railways?
Witnesses: Rail Safety and Standards Board and Peter G Rayner; Transport Salaried Staffs’ Association and Unite – the Union (at 3.20 p.m.); Bombardier Transportation Group and Angel Trains (at 4.00 p.m.)

**Northern Ireland Affairs**
Subject: Policing and Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland
Witnesses: Al Hutchinson, Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland, and Sam Pollock, Chief Executive, Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland

**Public Accounts**
Subject: The delivery of the administrative burdens reduction programme 2007
Witnesses: Sir Brian Bender KCB, Permanent Secretary, Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform, William Sargent, Executive Chair, and Jitinder Kohli, Chief Executive, Better Regulation Executive, and Stephen Banyard, HM Revenue and Customs

**Environment, Food and Rural Affairs**
Subject: Climate Change
Witnesses: Rt Hon Hilary Benn MP, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

**Thursday 21 February**

**Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform**
Subject: Creating a Higher Value-Added Economy
Witnesses: Sir John Rose, Chief Executive, Rolls Royce

**Health**
Subject: Dental Services
Witnesses: Sandwell PCT, Devon PCT and Hillingdon PCT; British Dental Association, British Orthodontic Society, and Dental Laboratories Association (at 11.00 a.m.)
Public Administration
Subject: Lobbying
Witnesses: Advisory Committee on Business Appointments

10am The Thatcher Room

Friday 22 February

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(Subject Matters are in brackets)

Monday 18 February

Intergovernmental Organisations Committee 4.00pm
Evidence will be heard from Gill Walt, Professor of International Health Policy and Dr Richard Coker, Reader in Public Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; and from Professor Janet Hemingway, Director, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine.
(Intergovernmental action to control the spread of infectious diseases)

Tuesday 19 February

European Union Sub-Committee A 10.40am
Evidence will be heard from Keith Boyfield, and Florenica Ahumada Segura, Keith Boyfield Associates; and Dr Robert Leonardi, London School of Economics.
(Future of European Structural Funds)

Joint Committee on Human Rights 1.45pm
Evidence will be heard on Immigration and Human Rights from Liam Byrne MP, Minister of State, Home Office.

Science & Technology Committee 3.40pm
Evidence will be heard from Dr Michael Dixon, Director, and Professor Richard Lane, Deputy Director and Director of Sciences, Natural History Museum; Professor Mary Gibby, Director of Science, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh; and from Professor Stephen Hopper, Director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew; other witnesses tbc.
(Systematics and Taxonomy)

Wednesday 20 February

Constitution Committee 10.45am
Evidence will be heard from Philip Virgo, Secretary General, EURIM (European Information Society Group); and Toby Stevens, Director, Enterprise Privacy Group.
(Surveillance and Data Collection)

Thursday 21 February

European Union Sub-Committee G 10.10am
Evidence will be heard from Dr Anthony Warrens, Reader and Honorary Consultant Physician, and Dr Keith Rigg, Vice-President, British Transplantation Society.
(Organ donation and transplantation)
## Select Committees: Publications received since the last Bulletin

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**Current working Government Majority**  
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