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Dear Cabinet Secretary,

## UK Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill

At its meeting on 30 November 2022, the Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee noted the introduction of the UK Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill in the UK Parliament.

The Committee understands the UK Government is currently consulting on which aspects of retained EU law (REUL) to assimilate into domestic law before the proposed sunset clause in the Bill would take effect at the end of 2023. The Committee notes any exercise to revoke and reform REUL will have significant implications for the Scottish Parliament's legislative competence.

I would be grateful if you could provide information about how the Scottish Government intends to engage with both Scottish stakeholders and the Scottish Parliament to determine which aspects of REUL should be revoked or assimilated into domestic law.

The Committee would welcome a response by 13 January 2023.

Yours sincerely,

## Finlay Carson MSP Convener

Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee