

Friday 7 February 2025

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 5 February 2025

### Tuesday 18 February 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Community Wealth Building Progress and Future Ambition

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Employer National Insurance Contributions

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-16282 Beatrice Wishart: Opportunities and Challenges for Scotland's Fishing Sector in 2025

### Wednesday 19 February 2025

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

Health and Social Care

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Protecting the Powers of the Scottish Parliament

**followed by** Legislative Consent Motion: Renters' Rights Bill - UK Legislation

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-16304 Rachael Hamilton: Tackling the Rise in Rural Crime and Equipment Theft in Scotland

### Thursday 20 February 2025

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-16287 Kenneth Gibson: The Ongoing Impact of PFI/PPP on Scotland's Public Finances

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

Social Justice

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Income Tax Rate Resolution 2025-26

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Independent Review of Sentencing and Penal Policy

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## **Tuesday 25 February 2025**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Wednesday 26 February 2025**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business; Justice and Home Affairs

**followed by** Scottish Green Party Debate

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Thursday 27 February 2025**

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

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*Gnothaichean an-diugh*

Future Business  
*Gnothaichean ri teachd*

Motions & Questions  
*Gluasadan agus Ceistean*

Legislation  
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Other  
*Eile*

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**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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## Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**[S6M-16298](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Kelvinside Academy Pupil on Being Awarded MacRobert Commendation Medal** —That the Parliament congratulates Rebecca Young, an S2 pupil at Kelvinside Academy, on winning a highly-coveted national competition, beating 70,000 other entrants with her innovative design for a solar-powered blanket to help the homeless; notes that Rebecca created her design as part of the UK Primary Engineer competition, where she was awarded the prestigious MacRobert Commendation Medal, decided by public vote, and understands that the 12-year-old's creation, a heated blanket integrated into a backpack and power by solar panels, was inspired by seeing people sleeping rough on the streets of Glasgow.

Supported by: Miles Briggs, Annie Wells, Jeremy Balfour, Sandesh Gulhane, Bill Kidd, Colin Beattie, Bob Doris, Stuart McMillan, Kenneth Gibson, Foysoyl Choudhury, Stephanie Callaghan, Ruth Maguire, Fulton MacGregor, Paul Sweeney, David Torrance

**\*[S6M-16298.1](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulating Kelvinside Academy Pupil on Being Awarded MacRobert Commendation Medal** —As an amendment to motion S6M-16298 in the name of Pam Duncan-Glancy (Congratulating Kelvinside Academy Pupil on Being Awarded MacRobert Commendation Medal), leave out “the homeless” and insert “homeless people”.

**\*[S6M-16285](#) Pam Gosal: Supporting Clydebank Woman's Charity Fundraiser**—That the Parliament commends Caitlin Andrew from Clydebank for her ambitious goal of raising £2,000 for SiMBA, a charity which helps bereaved families after child loss; understands that Caitlin is planning to run the London Marathon in April 2025, and that she hopes to be sponsored, with all proceeds going to the charity; notes that Caitlin chose SiMBA following a close friend's experience of using the charity's services; acknowledges that SiMBA is a national charity that gives memory boxes to families who have experienced child loss, and that these boxes are used to store objects by which to remember those they lost, and wishes Caitlin and SiMBA success and all the best for the future.

**\*[S6M-16283](#) Pam Gosal: Congratulating Clydebank's Mark Steven on Being Elected President of ACTACC**—That the Parliament recognises Clydebank-based Mark Steven, who works for NHS Golden Jubilee, for being elected as the new President of the Association for Cardiothoracic Anaesthesia and Critical Care (ACTACC); understands that ACTACC is an



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organisation that represents cardiothoracic anaesthetists from the UK and Ireland, and which aims to ensure high standards of patient care; notes that Mark's election is in recognition of his work in patient care, his professional development, and his contributions to ACTACC over the last five years as a specialist in thoracic anaesthesia; acknowledges that ACTACC is expanding its impact through launching a website and planning a series of free webinars to improve engagement, and wishes Mark and the ACTACC good luck.

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

#### **S6M-16363 Alexander Stewart: Macrobert Arts Centre Funding Award from Creative Scotland** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Craig Hoy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jamie Greene\*, Karen Adam\*, Alex Rowley\*, Russell Findlay\*

#### **S6M-16361 Ben Macpherson: Leith Theatre's Future Secured, Beginning an Exciting New Chapter** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Colin Beattie\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Clare Haughey\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Emma Roddick\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Foysoil Choudhury\*, Karen Adam\*, Alex Rowley\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Marie McNair\*, Stuart McMillan\*

#### **S6M-16352 Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire Scottish Regional Heat of the Association of Hairdressing and Therapists** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

#### **S6M-16351 Clare Adamson: Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF) 60th Anniversary** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

#### **S6M-16350 Tim Eagle: Atlantic Islands Centre Celebrates 10-year Anniversary** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

#### **S6M-16349 Evelyn Tweed: Commends Resilience of Stirling Communities Following Storm Éowyn** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Marie McNair\*

#### **S6M-16348 Christine Grahame: Ross McGinn Named Tweeddale Citizen of the Year 2024** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Miles Briggs\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

#### **S6M-16347 Rona Mackay: Lenzie Academy Pupils Triumph in Top Climate Change Challenge** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Clare Haughey\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Marie McNair\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Bill Kidd\*, Monica Lennon\*, Colin Beattie\*, Karen Adam\*, Stuart McMillan\*

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**[S6M-16345](#) Alex Rowley: British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Colin Beattie\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Foysoyl Choudhury\*, Christine Grahame\*, Bill Kidd\*, Monica Lennon\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S6M-16344](#) Ash Regan: Congratulating MILAN Senior Welfare Organisation** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Alex Rowley\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Foysoyl Choudhury\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S6M-16339](#) Annie Wells: Friends of Linn Park, Glasgow, Receives Funding to Plant More Trees** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Jamie Greene\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Russell Findlay\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S6M-16338](#) Emma Roddick: Congratulating James Dunbar, Big Issue Changemaker for Housing and Homelessness 2025** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16337](#) Bob Doris: Cadder Primary School's Spanish Week and Fun Fiesta** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16336](#) Ariane Burgess: Congratulations to The Shetland Amenity Trust on Becoming a Living Wage Employer** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-16335](#) Humza Yousaf: Recognising Local Heroes Crookston Community Group** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16334](#) Rona Mackay: 11,180 Meals Served Through Asda Community Initiative** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16333](#) Annie Wells: Scottish Opera Primary Schools Tour Coming to Glasgow** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-16332](#) Annie Wells: Congratulates Hillwood Community Sports Hub on its Collaboration with Horticulture and Floristry Students** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Tess White\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S6M-16331](#) Emma Roddick: World Wetlands Day 2025** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Karen Adam\*, Alex Rowley\*, Marie McNair\*

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**[S6M-16329](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Applauding Asda's Support for Local Communities**  
(lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16328](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Applauding Renaissance Care's Get Fit and Have Fun Campaign 2025** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16326](#) Martin Whitfield: Children's Mental Health Week 2025** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Humza Yousaf\*

**[S6M-16325](#) Ruth Maguire: Tesco Irvine's Toy Appeal** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16324](#) Ruth Maguire: High Praise for Blacklands Primary School** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16323](#) Stephanie Callaghan: North Lanarkshire Breastfeeding Rates Reach 50.7% for the First Time** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Brian Whittle\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16322](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Mascots for Scotland's Six Nations Match** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16321](#) Ruth Maguire: Ayrshire Lok Oi Association's Lunar New Year Celebrations**  
(lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16320](#) Colin Beattie: Dalkeith and District Citizens Advice Bureau** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16319](#) Liz Smith: Kevin Howett Mountain Award** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16317](#) Douglas Ross: The Gordon and Ena Baxter Foundation Allocates over £2 Million to Good Causes** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16316](#) Jackie Dunbar: Asda's Winter Warmer Initiative in Aberdeen Donside** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

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**[S6M-16312](#) Liam McArthur: Appeal for Orkney Football Kits to Aid Community Health Campaign in Malawi** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16311](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen - Britain in Bloom Finalist** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16309](#) Michelle Thomson: Hippodrome Silent Film Festival Secures Significant Creative Scotland Funds** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16308](#) Kevin Stewart: Creative Scotland Funding for Aberdeen** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16307](#) Kevin Stewart: Norwegian Sovereign Wealth Fund Records Highest Ever Profits** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16304](#) Rachael Hamilton: Tackling the Rise in Rural Crime and Equipment Theft in Scotland** (lodged on 03 February 2025)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*, Alexander Burnett\* R

**[S6M-16301](#) Claire Baker: Stirling Bike Charity Recyke-a-bike Celebrates 20 Years** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16300](#) Emma Roddick: Biennial Findhorn Bay Festival** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16294](#) Willie Rennie: Future Workforce and Educational Pathways Report by the Royal Society of Chemistry** (lodged on 03 February 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-16293](#) Jackie Dunbar: #LoveScotlandsColleges 2025** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16290](#) Clare Adamson: MacDiarmid's Brownsbank Cottage, a Scottish Cultural Treasure** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Maggie Chapman\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Gillian Mackay\*

**[S6M-16289](#) Bill Kidd: The Doomsday Clock Reaches 89 Seconds to Midnight** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: John Mason\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16288](#) Rhoda Grant: Coastal Testimonies** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

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New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16281](#) Clare Adamson: Ashley McCaig's Annual Fundraiser for St Andrew's Hospice**  
(lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16280](#) Clare Adamson: Recognising the Generosity of Tesco Wishaw Customers**  
(lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16279](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulating Chloe McMillan Beecher** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16274](#) Edward Mountain: Recognition of Dell McClurg's Contribution to the Merkinch Community** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16273](#) Mark Ruskell: Supporting Scottish Raptor Study Group Volunteers** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*

**[S6M-16272](#) Maggie Chapman: Congratulating Campy Growers in Dundee** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16271](#) Maggie Chapman: Acknowledging the International Fire and Rescue Association** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16270](#) Edward Mountain: Caithness Krakens Win the Caledonia North Region League 2 Title** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16269](#) Edward Mountain: Highland Success at the National Autistic Society Branch Awards** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16260](#) Jackie Dunbar: Ashgrove and Stockethill Community Council Volunteers Tackle Icy Pavements** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16258](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Play Park Officially Opens at Bairds Avenue Viewpark**  
(lodged on 03 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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**[S6M-16257](#) Kenneth Gibson: The Presidential Election in Belarus** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16248](#) Humza Yousaf: Aleksandr Lukashenko Europe's Last Dictator** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-16243](#) James Dornan: Recognising the Work of Realgrassroots** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*, Collette Stevenson\*, Colin Beattie\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S6M-16228](#) Douglas Ross: Jean Pryde Named as One of the UK's Most Inspiring Female Entrepreneurs** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal\*

**[S6M-16218](#) Douglas Lumsden: Support in Scotland for Domestic Oil and Gas Production** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Liz Smith\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Liam Kerr\*, Miles Briggs\*, Murdo Fraser\*

**[S6M-16212](#) Paul Sweeney: International Year of Co-operatives** (lodged on 24 January 2025)

New Support: Claire Baker\*

**[S6M-16208](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Student First Scottish Voice on Ring Doorbells** (lodged on 27 January 2025)

New Support: Humza Yousaf\*

**[S6M-16202](#) Douglas Lumsden: Aberdeen Trinity Centre Comes Second in Loo of the Year Awards** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-15985](#) Ross Greer: Violence Against Demonstrators in Pakistan** (lodged on 03 February 2025)

New Support: Mark Ruskell\*, John Mason\*

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## Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

**Government Initiated Questions** are initiated by the parliament Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

### Government initiated questions lodged on 06 February 2025

**[S6W-34774](#) Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making with supporting farmers and crofters to deliver its Vision for Agriculture.

### Written questions lodged on 06 February 2025

**[S6W-34031](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-33090 by Ivan McKee on 16 January 2025, what procurement process was followed to buy each bicycle, and whether it will confirm each bicycle's (a) make, (b) model, (c) cost and (d) country of origin.

**[S6W-34032](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-33090 by Ivan McKee on 16 January 2025, what other equipment has been purchased in each of the last five years for use in net zero messaging, including non-conventional means of transport such as scooters and skateboards.

**[S6W-34172](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether schools have a statutory requirement to have some staff trained as first-aiders and, if so, what (a) minimum level of first-aider coverage is required per school and (b) information it has regarding how many teachers in post in each local authority area have completed first aid training provided by (i) that local authority and (ii) another source, and what proportion of the teaching workforce this represents.

**[S6W-34174](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how many calls to each emergency service have been recorded as being (a) hung up and (b) terminated before completion in each year since 2018; what proportion of calls this represents, and what information it has regarding the reasons given for calls ending in this matter.

**[S6W-34175](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what reasons have been recorded by emergency services for calls having been hung up or terminated prematurely, and, on average, what percentage of cases each reason represents.

**[S6W-34176](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what protocols each emergency service has in place to follow up on calls that are recorded as having been hung up or terminated before completion.

**[S6W-34177](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how many calls to each emergency service that have been recorded as being (a) hung up and (b) terminated before completion in each year since 2018 have resulted in a response being dispatched.

**[S6W-34178](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps each emergency service is taking to reduce the number of emergency calls that are recorded as being hung up or terminated prematurely, and what information it has regarding the outcome of this action.

**[S6W-34179](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis each emergency service takes into the reason for calls being recorded as hung up or terminated early, including the potential impact on response times and outcomes.

**[S6W-34350](#) Fergus Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the reported comment of its former Permanent Secretary, Leslie Evans, at a recent Institute for Government

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conference, that, in the civil service, the "middle management is often quite weak".

**[S6W-34460 Richard Leonard:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, what its response is to the UK Government-commissioned review of the quality protocol report, *Tyre-derived rubber materials. End of waste criteria for the production and use of tyre-derived rubber materials*, which was developed by the Environment Agency and Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP), and what consideration it has given to implementing similar measures in Scotland, including the recommendations for the storage of tyre-derived rubber materials and use in unbound applications.

**[S6W-34473 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure coordination between the new national throughcare service for prisoners released from (a) short-term sentences or (b) remand and existing local authority criminal justice social work services, to avoid duplication and maximise effectiveness.

**[S6W-34474 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it made of restoring the Scottish Prison Service Throughcare Support Service, rather than establishing a new third sector-led national throughcare service.

**[S6W-34475 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many people each year who have been released from prison (a) from short-term sentences and (b) on remand it expects the new national throughcare service to support.

**[S6W-34476 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what the cost was of delivering the (a) Shine and (b) New Routes programme for prisoners released from (a) short-term sentences or (b) remand in its final year of operation.

**[S6W-34477 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what the cost was of delivering the previous Scottish Prison Service Throughcare Support Service in its final year of operation.

**[S6W-34478 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what measures and indicators will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the new third sector-led national throughcare service for prisoners released from (a) short-term sentences or (b) remand, and how frequently this performance data will be published.

**[S6W-34479 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the potential number of people who could be eligible for the new national throughcare service for prisoners released from (a) short-term sentences or (b) remand, what criteria or prioritisation methods will be used to determine who receives immediate support.

**[S6W-34480 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been released from prison (a) from short-term sentences and (b) on remand in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-34482 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what provisions have been made to ensure continuity of support for people currently receiving assistance through the Shine and New Routes programmes for prisoners released from (a) short-term sentences or (b) remand during the transition to the new national throughcare service.

**[S6W-34483 Liam McArthur:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what additional resources and support mechanisms will be put in place in rural and island communities to ensure the effective delivery of the new national throughcare service for prisoners released from (a) short-term sentences or (b) remand.

**[S6W-34487 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-33262 by Gillian Martin on 24 January 2025, whether it will provide the information that was requested and confirm what information it holds on how many jobs in Scotland's oil and gas sector, and its supply chain, have been lost since 1 January 2023, and, if no information is held on this, whether it will confirm this and, in light of the minister's comment that "the Scottish Government regularly engages with the offshore oil and gas industry on a range of topics,



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including workforce planning", whether in its next such discussion it will raise the matter regarding the number of jobs lost in the sector and how that data could be captured.

**[S6W-34491](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government which bodies incur the cost of discounts, exemptions and qualified reductions to household water charges.

**[S6W-34492](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason water charges are being increased by a reported 9.9%, in light of them increasing by 8.8% in 2024, which was above the inflation rate.

**[S6W-34493](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what the size is of Scottish Water's financial reserve.

**[S6W-34494](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how much Scottish Water has paid in debt interest in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-34499](#) Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what the process is for spending any unclaimed deposits held by SafeDeposits Scotland, and what any such money has been used to fund in each year for which data is available.

**[S6W-34500](#) Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to deposits held by SafeDeposits Scotland, whether any accumulated interest remains with the deposit scheme, and, if it does not, what happens to such money.

**[S6W-34517](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish the (a) legal and (b) other advice obtained by NatureScot regarding which areas of land should be covered by a 16AA licence under the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Act 2024.

**[S6W-34518](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported criticisms from members of the conservation sector regarding the changes made to grouse shooting licences by NatureScot and, in the light of this, what steps it plans to ensure that the operation of section 16AA licences fulfils the intentions of (a) it and (b) the Parliament.

**[S6W-34519](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government on what dates NatureScot met (a) Police Scotland and (b) the National Wildlife Crime Unit before seeking approval for a new grouse licensing condition regarding raptor persecution from land and estates.

**[S6W-34520](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on (a) the comment by NatureScot on 19 July 2026 that "raptor persecution undertaken in connection with grouse moor management could take place anywhere on a property, not just on the grouse moor itself", and (b) whether the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Act 2024 needs to be amended to ensure that the 16AA grouse shooting licence covers an applicant's whole landholding and not the grouse moor only.

**[S6W-34521](#) Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the potential cost to the third sector in Scotland of the UK Government's decision to raise employer national insurance contributions, and what plans it has to help alleviate any additional costs, including inflationary costs, arising from this decision that are facing voluntary organisations that are in receipt of it grants or contracts from it.

**[S6W-34523](#) Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has carried out on the impact on its four strategic priorities of the UK Government's decision to raise employer national insurance contributions on public and third sector bodies.

**[S6W-34524](#) Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government how important the third sector is to its priority of eradicating child poverty, and what impact (a) inflation has had and (b) the UK Government's decision to raise employer national insurance contributions will have on that sector's ability to achieve this goal.

**[S6W-34525](#) Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its plans for a pilot initiative to support voluntary organisations that (a) deliver essential services and (b) contribute to its priority of eradicating child poverty.

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**[S6W-34526](#) Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of voluntary sector grants are (a) currently and (b) expected to be multi-year as a result of its Fairer Funding commitment.

**[S6W-34527](#) Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government how it defines "Fairer Funding".

**[S6W-34528](#) Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made towards the ambition to achieve Fairer Funding for the voluntary sector by 2026, and how progress towards this ambition will be scrutinised. **R**

**[S6W-34529](#) Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding what the average time is for a deposit to be returned to a tenant following the end of their tenancy agreement.

**[S6W-34530](#) Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what the maximum time period allowed is to return a deposit to a tenant following the end of a tenancy agreement.

**[S6W-34531](#) Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what the maximum time period a tenant has to claim the return of a deposit following the end of their tenancy agreement.

**[S6W-34532](#) Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-33839 by Paul McLennan on 31 January 2025, whether the figures provided are based on deposit amounts that were agreed to be returned to the tenants.

**[S6W-34534](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish the minutes of each meeting of the Future Anti-Racism Observatory for Scotland: Design Advisory Group.

**[S6W-34535](#) Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government how many properties bought in the calendar year 2024 were liable for the Additional Dweller Supplement, broken down by (a) the local authority area of the property, (b) properties in the purchase price band of (i) £0 to £100,000, (ii) £100,001 to £200,000, (iii) £200,001 to £300,000, (iv) £300,001 to £400,000, (v) £400,001 to £500,000 and (vi) £500,001 and above and (c) whether the buyer (A) was resident in the UK or (B) had a primary correspondence address abroad.

**[S6W-34536](#) Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to ensure the sustainability of cultural facilities in the Central Scotland region, in light of Creative Scotland's decision not to award multi-year funding to Cumbernauld Theatre, which has been reported as being "heartbreaking".

**[S6W-34537](#) Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to find out what the reasons were for its national care service proposal not going ahead, and what lessons have been learned from this.

**[S6W-34538](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how much just transition funding has been allocated to the whisky industry in the last three years.

**[S6W-34539](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners it anticipates will be released between 1 March and 31 December 2025 as a result of new GPS ankle tags.

**[S6W-34540](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is implementing or considering to support homeowners in the North East Scotland region who are experiencing property value depreciation due to new energy infrastructure projects in their vicinity.

**[S6W-34541](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to carry out a new consultation regarding long-term chronic pain conditions; how this will be conducted, and take account of the differences between conditions; who will (a) organise and (b) carry out this consultation, and what the outcome was of its previous such consultation, including what improvements were recorded as a result of it.

**[S6W-34544](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with the hospitality sector to create comprehensive whisky tourism packages.

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**[S6W-34545 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what funding opportunities are available for spirits distilleries looking to expand their visitor facilities.

**[S6W-34546 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it is collaborating with communities to enhance the whisky tourism experience.

**[S6W-34547 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what initiatives are in place to promote whisky tourism.

**[S6W-34548 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what marketing campaigns aimed at international tourists are in place to highlight Scotland's whisky heritage.

**[S6W-34549 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to support the development of whisky trails that connect multiple distilleries and regions.

**[S6W-34551 Miles Briggs:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26184 by Jenny Gilruth on 26 March 2024, whether it will provide the same information for 2023-24.

**[S6W-34562 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what new regulations are being considered to enhance the protection of park home residents.

**[S6W-34563 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that park home site owners comply with safety and maintenance standards.

**[S6W-34564 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what support is available for residents who are in dispute with park home site owners.

**[S6W-34565 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure transparency in the fees and charges imposed on park home residents.

**[S6W-34566 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it monitors and enforces compliance with existing regulations for park home sites.

**[S6W-34567 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that park home residents are informed about their rights and the protections available to them.

**[S6W-34568 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what initiatives are being introduced to improve the legal rights of park home residents.

**[S6W-34569 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether there are any plans to establish an independent body to oversee and regulate park home sites.

**[S6W-34570 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that park home residents have access to affordable and reliable legal advice.

**[S6W-34571 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it will support residents in cases where park home sites are sold or transferred to new owners.

**[S6W-34572 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to improve communication and consultation between park home site owners and residents.

**[S6W-34573 Ariane Burgess:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to improve maternity services in Caithness, to reduce any need for individuals to travel to Raigmore Hospital in Inverness for childbirth and other maternity-related care.

**[S6W-34574 Tim Eagle:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding support is available in 2025-26 for Scottish cultural organisations seeking to tour across the UK.

**[S6W-34575 Tim Eagle:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to promote Scottish seafood exports to the United Arab Emirates (UAE), in light of the resumption of Emirates' direct flights from Edinburgh to Dubai.

**[S6W-34576 Tim Eagle:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to promote Scottish seafood exports in emerging markets across the Middle East.

**[S6W-34577 Tim Eagle:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many GlobalScot representatives are located in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), and what events are planned there for 2025.

**[S6W-34578 Tim Eagle:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to review the location of its network of international offices, with a view to adding an office in the Middle East.

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- [S6W-34579](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Scottish Development International personnel are based in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) for the promotion of Scottish products, and where their office is located.
- [S6W-34580](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many of its international offices held (a) Burns Night and (b) St Andrew's Day celebrations in the last year.
- [S6W-34581](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it still plans to open an international office in Warsaw, and, if so, when it will open; how many staff will be based there, and what its annual running costs will be.
- [S6W-34582](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what (a) action it is taking and (b) funding it is making available to progress the reintroduction of a ferry connection from Scotland to mainland Europe.
- [S6W-34583](#) Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to recent research published by the James Hutton Institute, in collaboration with the University of Edinburgh and Forest Research, examining the efficacy of tree planting on carbon capture.
- [S6W-34584](#) Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration has been given to the potential for soil carbon losses when increasing tree cover with the aim to capture carbon, through its tree planting targets.
- [S6W-34585](#) Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to revising the guidance on the Primary Care Improvement Plan reserves, with the aim of allowing for greater flexibility, including for the reserves to be allocated during the setting of annual budgets.
- [S6W-34586](#) Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason guidance was issued to NHS boards and health and social care partnerships in August 2022 advising that the Primary Care Improvement Plan reserves should only be utilised in-year as part of the overall funding allocation.
- [S6W-34587](#) Foysoyl Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will begin its review into alternative and additional funding mechanisms to grow funding for culture.
- [S6W-34588](#) Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken following the cross-party summit on violence amongst young people, which was held on 13 January 2025.
- [S6W-34589](#) Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made on delivering each of the recommendations of the Independent Review of Audiology Services in Scotland, in particular, recommendations 52, 53 and 54.
- [S6W-34782](#) Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people are currently in receipt of adult disability payment, also broken down by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) quintile; how many (a) are and (b) are not in employment, and how many have been in receipt of the payment for (i) one to two, (ii) more than two to three and (iii) more than three years.
- [S6W-34783](#) Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have stopped receiving adult disability payment in 2024-25, broken down by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) quintile; how many (a) are and (b) are not in employment, and how many had been in receipt of the payment for (i) one to two, (ii) more than two to three and (iii) more than three years.
- [S6W-34784](#) Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people are currently in receipt of the enhanced mobility award of adult disability payment, also broken down by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) quintile; how many (a) are and (b) are not in employment, and how many have been in receipt of the payment for (i) one to two, (ii) more than two to three and (iii) more than three years.
- [S6W-34785](#) Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have stopped receiving the enhanced mobility award of adult disability payment in 2024-25, broken down by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) quintile; how many (a) are and (b) are not in employment, and how many had been in receipt of the payment for (i) one to two, (ii) more than two to three and (iii) more than three years.

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**[S6W-34786](#) Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people are currently in receipt of the enhanced living award of adult disability payment, broken down by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) quintile; how many (a) are and (b) are not in employment, and how many have been in receipt of the payment for (i) one to two, (ii) more than two to three and (iii) more than three years.

**[S6W-34789](#) Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have stopped receiving the enhanced living award of adult disability payment in 2024-25, broken down by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) quintile; how many (a) are and (b) are not in employment, and how many had been in receipt of the payment for (i) one to two, (ii) more than two to three and (iii) more than three years.

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## Members' Bills Proposals

### Proposals for Member's Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no statement is made that the Scottish Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at [Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 6 Proposals](#):

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### Final Proposal for a Member's Bill

**Ash Regan: Proposed Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill**—A proposal for a Bill to create an offence of paying for sexual acts, to repeal the offence of soliciting or importuning by prostitutes, to repeal previous convictions for soliciting or importuning by prostitutes and to support those in or exiting prostitution. (lodged 21 January 2025)

Accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

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## Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the website at:

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For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

### **Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 4 February 2025

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 17 December 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Finance and Public Administration Committee), 18 February 2025

*Amendments should be lodged by 4:30pm on Friday 7 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)). For Budget Bills, only a member of the Government or Junior Minister may lodge amendments.*

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 25 February 2025

### **Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 5 February 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (3<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2025)*

### **Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 Report (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee) published, 10 December 2024

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### **Education (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 completed, 18 December 2024

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
[\*\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

### **European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Passed, 23 March 2021

*Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.*

### **Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 22 December 2022

*Following an Order under section 35 of the Scotland Act 1998 made by the Secretary of State for Scotland, this Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its current form.*

### **Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Before Stage 2 (evidence (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)), 28 January 2025

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
[\*\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

### **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 4 February 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### **Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 7 January 2025

### **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 25 February 2025

*Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 19 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team* [\*\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

### **Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 15 January 2025

### **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 28 January 2025

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
[\*\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

### **Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 4 February 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (62<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 Report (Education, Children and Young People Committee) published, 4 February 2025



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### Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

### Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill (M)

Introduced, 17 December 2024

*Lead committee – Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments*

### Tertiary Education and Training (Funding and Governance) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 5 February 2025

### Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Criminal Justice Committee), 12 March 2025

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 6 March with the clerks in the Legislation Team* ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

### Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 23 January 2025

## Legislative Consent Memorandums

**A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:**

<https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/legislative-consent-memorandums>

### Data (Use and Access) Bill LCM-S6-52

Lodged on 22 November 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2025)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53

Lodged on 11 December 2024

*Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work*

### Great British Energy Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-48a

Lodged on 28 January 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 6 February 2025

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2025)*

### High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill LCM-S6-15

Lodged on 7 February 2022

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

### Product Regulation and Metrology Bill LCM-S6-50

Lodged on 24 September 2024

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*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (1<sup>st</sup> Report, 2025)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (74<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49**

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

*Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Tobacco and Vapes Bill LCM-S6-51**

Lodged on 21 November 2024

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 17 December 2024

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 28 January 2025

**Subordinate Legislation** (date of laying) (lead committee)

### **Affirmative instruments**

#### **Subject to approval by 9 February 2025**

[Moveable Transactions \(Scotland\) Act 2023 Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (16 December 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Registers of Scotland \(Fees and Plain Copies\) Miscellaneous Amendments Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (16 December 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 26 February 2025**

[Rural Support \(Improvement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (9 January 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 3 March 2025**

[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(List A and B Offences\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (14 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Regulated Roles with Children and Adults \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (14 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (14 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 10 March 2025**

[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Incidental, Supplementary and Consequential Provision\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (21 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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### Subject to approval by 13 March 2025

[Tied Pubs \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (24 January 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (24 January 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (24 January 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

### Subject to approval by 16 March 2025

[Community Care \(Personal Care and Nursing Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (27 January 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[National Bus Travel Concession Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (27 January 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

### Subject to approval by 17 March 2025

[Provision of Early Learning and Childcare \(Specified Children\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (28 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

### Subject to approval by 18 March 2025

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Qualifications Scotland as Specified Authority\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (29 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

### Subject to approval by 19 March 2025

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (30 January 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

### Subject to approval by 24 March 2025

[Local Government Finance \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (4 February 2025) (The Parliament)

### Negative instruments

#### Subject to annulment 18 February 2025

#### Lead committee report due by 17 February 2025

[Moveable Transactions \(Forms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/379\)](#) (16 December 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[Moveable Transactions \(Register of Assignations and Register of Statutory Pledges Rules\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/381\) \(16 December 2024\)](#) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

**Subject to annulment 22 February 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 17 February 2025**

[Bread and Flour Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/387\) \(20 December 2024\)](#) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 2 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 24 February 2025**

[Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Prescribed Services and Activities\) \(Protected Adult\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/4\) \(13 January 2025\)](#) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Disclosure Information \(Accredited Bodies\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/5\) \(13 January 2025\)](#) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to annulment 5 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 3 March 2025**

[Building \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/6\) \(16 January 2025\)](#) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

**Subject to annulment 6 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 3 March 2025**

[Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery \(Variation\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/7\) \(17 January 2025\)](#) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to annulment 12 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 10 March 2025**

[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/8\) \(23 January 2025\)](#) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Sheriff Appeal Court Fees Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/9\) \(23 January 2025\)](#) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 19 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 17 March 2025**

[Scottish Road Works Register \(Prescribed Fees\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/18\) \(30 January 2025\)](#) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rating \(Valuation of Utilities\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/19\) \(30 January 2025\)](#) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

**Subject to annulment 23 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 17 March 2025**

[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/24\)](#) (3 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Fees for Scheme Membership and Disclosure Applications \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/25\)](#) (3 February 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Level 1 and Level 2 Disclosure Review Application \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/26\)](#) (3 February 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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