

GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE  
HOUSE OF LORDS

**FORTHCOMING BUSINESS  
12 FEBRUARY 2014**

*[Notes about this document are set out at the end]*

**WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2014**

**Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. QSD on the plans the Government have for licensing the use of water cannon on the United Kingdom mainland – Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb/Lord Taylor of Holbeach (time limit 1 hour)
3. QSD on the Government's plans to help arts and cultural organisations thrive in the current financial landscape – Lord Mawson/Lord Gardiner of Kimble (time limit 1 hour)
4. QSD on the Government's plans for the expansion and management of the public forest estate following the report of the Independent Panel on Forestry – Baroness Royall of Blaisdon/Lord de Mauley (time limit 1 hour)

**Business in Grand Committee at 12 noon**

No business scheduled

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*February adjournment:*

*Thursday 13 February 2014 to*

*Sunday 23 February 2014 inclusive*

**Thursday 20 February**

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Pensions Bill – Report Day 1*

**Friday 21 February**

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Northern Ireland Bill – Report*

*Defence Reform Bill – Committee Day 4*

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## **MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*National Insurance Contributions Bill – Third Reading*

*Pensions Bill – Report Day 2*

*Defence Reform Bill – Committee Day 5*

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Pensions Bill – Report (Day 1 of 2†) – Lord Freud
3. ‡ QSD on the progress made on the development of the *UK National Action Plan for Women, Peace and Security* – Baroness Prosser/Baroness Northover  
(dinner break business, time limit 1 hour)

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

1. Public Bodies (Merger of the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Director of Revenue and Customs Prosecutions) Order 2014 – Lord Faulks  
*Items 2 and 3 are expected to be taken together*
2. Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (Transitional Provisions) (Amendment) Order 2014 – Lord Wallace of Saltaire
3. Electoral Registration (Disclosure of Electoral Registers) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Lord Wallace of Saltaire
4. Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Industry Training Board) Order 2014 – Viscount Younger of Leckie  
*Items 5 and 6 expected to be taken together*
5. National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Viscount Younger of Leckie
6. National Minimum Wage (Variation of Financial Penalty) Regulations 2014 – Viscount Younger of Leckie
7. Public Bodies (Abolition of the National Consumer Council and Transfer of the Office of Fair Trading's Functions in relation to Estate Agents etc.) Order 2014 – Viscount Younger of Leckie
8. QSD on the steps being taken to encourage younger children to participate in competitive sport – Baroness Heyhoe-Flint/Lord Gardiner of Kimble  
(time limit 1 hour)

## **TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Introduction – General Sir David Richards will be introduced as a baron
2. Oral questions (30 minutes)
3. National Insurance Contributions Bill – Third Reading – Lord Newby
4. Northern Ireland Bill – Report (Day ½ of ½†) – Baroness Randerson
5. QSD on the Government's response to *Tackling the Advice Deficit*, the report of the Low Commission on the future of advice and legal support on social welfare law in England and Wales – Lord Low of Dalston/Lord Faulks (time limit 1½ hours)

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

1. Defence Reform Bill – Committee (Day 4 of 5†) – Lord Astor of Haver

## **WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

### **Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Pensions Bill – Report (Day 2 of 2†) – Lord Freud
3. ‡ QSD on the role of the financial services industry in funding care provision in the light of the Dilnot Commission reforms – Lord Lipsey/Earl Howe (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm**

1. Defence Reform Bill – Committee (Day 5 of 5†) – Lord Astor of Haver

## THURSDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2014

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Immigration Bill – Committee Day 1*

### **Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)  
*[The House will adjourn after oral questions until 1 o'clock, during an address by the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany in the Royal Gallery. All members of the House are welcome to attend: no ticket is required.]*
2. Debate on Syria and the Middle East – Baroness Warsi  
*Items 3 to 8 are expected to be taken together*
3. Marriage (Same Sex Couples) (Jurisdiction and Recognition of Judgments) Regulations 2014 – Baroness Northover
4. Marriage of Same Sex Couples (Registration of Shared Buildings) Regulations 2014 – Baroness Northover
5. Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 (Consequential and Contrary Provisions and Scotland) Order 2014 – Baroness Northover
6. Overseas Marriage (Armed Forces) Order 2014 – Baroness Northover
7. Consular Marriages and Marriages under Foreign Law Order 2014 – Baroness Northover
8. Marriage of Same Sex Couples (Use of Armed Forces' Chapels) Regulations 2014 – Baroness Northover

### **Business in Grand Committee at 1.00pm**

1. QSD on the effectiveness of the Charity Commission – Baroness Barker/Lord Wallace of Saltaire (time limit 1 hour)
2. QSD on the Government's priorities during their chairmanship of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance in 2014 – Baroness Deech/Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon (time limit 1 hour)
3. QSD on the effectiveness of counter-terrorism practices; and what measures the Government will adopt to reduce any harm caused by ineffective or provocative practices – Lord Hylton/Lord Taylor of Holbeach (time limit 1 hour)
4. QSD on the advice given to (1) sports national governing bodies, and (2) national medical services, regarding concussions sustained in sporting injuries – Lord Addington/Lord Gardiner of Kimble (time limit 1 hour)
5. QSD on the steps being taken to reduce the levels of suicide among young people in the United Kingdom – Lord Eames/Earl Howe (time limit 1 hour)

## FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2014

*The House is expected not to sit*

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Gambling (Licensing and Advertising) Bill – Report Day ½*

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# PROVISIONAL

## MONDAY 3 MARCH 2014

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Immigration Bill – Committee Day 2*

*Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill – Third Reading*

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Introduction – the Lord Bishop of Durham will be introduced
2. Oral questions (30 minutes)
3. Immigration Bill – Committee (Day 1 of 6†) – Lord Taylor of Holbeach
4. ‡ *Dinner break business will be scheduled*

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

1. Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies and Credit Unions (Investigations) Regulations 2014 – Lord Newby  
*Items 2 and 3 are expected to be taken together*
2. Social Security (Contributions) (Limits and Thresholds) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Lord Newby
3. Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating and National Insurance Funds Payments) Order 2014 – Lord Newby
4. Warm Home Discount (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Baroness Verma  
*Items 5, 6 and 7 are expected to be taken together*
5. Access to Justice Act 1999 (Destination of Appeals) (Family Proceedings) Order 2014 – Lord Faulks
6. Crime and Courts Act 2013 (Family Court: Consequential Provision) Order 2014 – Lord Faulks
7. Justices' Clerks and Assistants Rules 2014 – Lord Faulks  
*Items 8 and 9 are expected to be taken together*
8. Legislative and Regulatory Reform (Regulatory Functions) (Amendment) Order 2014 – Lord Popat
9. Regulators' Code – Lord Popat  
*Items 10 and 11 are expected to be taken together*
10. Social Security (Maternity Allowance) (Participating Wife or Civil Partner or Self-employed Earner) Regulations 2014 – Lord Freud
11. Legal Aid (Information about Financial Resources) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Lord Freud  
*Items 12 and 13 are expected to be taken together*
12. Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2014 – Lord Freud
13. Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2014 – Lord Freud

## **TUESDAY 4 MARCH 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Pensions Bill – Third Reading*

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill – Third Reading – Baroness Randerson
3. Gambling (Licensing and Advertising) Bill – Report (Day ½ of ½†) – Lord Gardiner of Kimble
4. Public Bodies (Modification of Functions of OFCOM) Order – Motion to decline to approve – Lord Stevenson of Balmacara/Lord Gardiner of Kimble

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

No business yet scheduled

## **WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

### **Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Pensions Bill – Third Reading – Lord Freud
3. Immigration Bill – Committee (Day 2 of 6†) – Lord Taylor of Holbeach
4. ‡ QSD on whether the Government is satisfied with the Director of Public Prosecutions' Guidelines on prosecution for assisted suicide – Baroness Jay of Paddington/Lord Faulks (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm**

No business yet scheduled

## **THURSDAY 6 MARCH 2014**

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Immigration Bill – Committee Day 3*

### **Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Debate on the contribution of women to the economy of the United Kingdom, to mark International Women's Day – Baroness Northover

### **Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm**

No business yet scheduled

## **FRIDAY 7 MARCH 2014**

*The House is expected not to sit*

## **MONDAY 10 MARCH 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*Immigration Bill – Committee Day 4*

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Immigration Bill – Committee (Day 3 of 6†) – Lord Taylor of Holbeach
3. ‡ QSD on the current situation in Gibraltar – Baroness Butler-Sloss/Baroness Warsi (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

1. Income Support (Work-Related Activity) and Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2014 – Lord Freud
2. *Further business will be scheduled.*

## **TUESDAY 11 MARCH 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. *Business will be scheduled*

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

No business yet scheduled

## **WEDNESDAY 12 MARCH 2014**

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30pm*

### **Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Immigration Bill – Committee (Day 4 of 6†) – Lord Taylor of Holbeach
3. ‡ QSD on the plans for the future of Bletchley Park – Baroness Trumpington/Lord Gardiner of Kimble (*dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm**

No business yet scheduled

## THURSDAY 13 MARCH 2014

### **Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Debate on education – Lord Nash
3. *Further business will be scheduled*

### **Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm**

No business yet scheduled

## FRIDAY 14 MARCH 2014

*The House is expected not to sit*

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# Information

## Notes

- This document informally advertises the business which the Government anticipates the House will take in the coming three weeks. It should be read together with the formal Order Paper produced by the Clerk of the Parliaments, available from the Printed Paper Office and [www.parliament.uk/lords](http://www.parliament.uk/lords)
- Timings in italics are estimates only: business may take more or less time than that estimated. Other times are maximums: business may take less time than the maximum
- Items marked ‡ are expected to be taken during the dinner or lunch break. This usually starts at around 7.30pm or 1.30pm but may start earlier or later
- The advertised business on any day may be interrupted for a Ministerial statement
- The number of sessions shown for a stage of a bill represents the Government's assessment of reasonable time given the balance of bills and remaining days to the likely end of the session. † indicates agreement in the Usual Channels as to that assessment. Progress remains in the hands of the House. Report stage is usually half the length of Committee

## Questions for short debate

The Whips' Office offers time for 1-1½ hour questions for short debate in the order in which they appear in the waiting list in *House of Lords Business*. Members waiting to ask their first QSD of the session are offered time before members who have already asked a QSD this session. The slots available are the dinner breaks on most Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and end of business on Thursdays (though other business, mainly motions in opposition to SIs, competes for this time) and on occasion in Grand Committee. In addition, the Grand Committee meets for a day of up to five 1 hour QSDs at least for every six sitting weeks: the Grand Committee will meet for that purpose on 27 February. Further dates will be advertised in due course. To see the Whips' Office progress in scheduling QSDs, visit [www.lordswhips.org.uk](http://www.lordswhips.org.uk).

## Thursdays

Bills will be taken on Thursdays from the start of February until the end of the session. Debates will be taken on Thursdays from the start of the next session until the end of January.

## Sitting Fridays

Additional sitting Fridays may be advertised in due course.

## Recess dates

The Chief Whip has announced that, subject to the progress of business, the House will be adjourned for the following periods in 2013-14:

- *February*: Thursday 13 February to Sunday 23 February inclusive
- *Easter*: Thursday 10 April to Sunday 27 April inclusive
- *Whitsun*: Thursday 22 May to Sunday 1 June inclusive
- *Summer*: Thursday 31 July to Monday 6 October inclusive
- *Autumn long weekend*: Wednesday 12 November to Sunday 16 November inclusive
- *Christmas*: Thursday 18 December 2014 to Monday 5 January 2015 inclusive

## Advice on business

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Advice on the day's expected timing

Main Office; 020-7219 3131; Room 13

Grouping of amendments

Victoria Warren; 020-7219 1113; Room 14

Scheduling tabled private members' business

Mark Davies; 020-7219 5215; Room 14

## ***Speakers' Lists***

For most debates, it is necessary to sign-up in advance to speak. Speakers' lists close at 6pm on the previous weekday (4pm on Fridays) except when a speakers' list for an afternoon sitting has been open for less than a sitting day, in which case the list closes at 12 noon on the day of the debate. The Government Whips' Office then consults the usual channels about the order of speakers and issues an ordered list of speakers.

*To sign-up to speak*

Telephone 020-7219 3131

Use the touchscreen in the main office (Room 13, Principal Floor)

Use [www.lordswhips.org.uk](http://www.lordswhips.org.uk)

*To see who has signed-up to speak* use the touchscreen in the main office (which has a print facility) or visit [www.lordswhips.org.uk](http://www.lordswhips.org.uk).

### *Current Speakers' Lists*

On the morning of publication of this edition of *Forthcoming Business*, the following Speakers' Lists were open:

Monday 24 February	QSD on the progress made on the development of the <i>UK National Action Plan for Women, Peace and Security</i>  QSD on the steps being taken to encourage younger children to participate in competitive sport
Tuesday 25 February	QSD on the Government's response to <i>Tackling the Advice Deficit</i> , the report of the Low Commission on the future of advice and legal support on social welfare law in England and Wales
Wednesday 26 February	QSD on the role of the financial services industry in funding care provision in the light of the Dilnot Commission reforms
Thursday 27 February	Debate on Syria and the Middle East  QSD on the effectiveness of the Charity Commission  QSD on the Government's priorities during their chairmanship of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance in 2014  QSD on the effectiveness of counter-terrorism practices; and what measures the Government will adopt to reduce any harm caused by ineffective or provocative practices  QSD on the advice given to (1) sports national governing bodies, and (2) national medical services, regarding concussions sustained in sporting injuries  QSD on the steps being taken to reduce the levels of suicide among young people in the United Kingdom
Wednesday 5 March	QSD on whether the Government is satisfied with the Director of Public Prosecutions' Guidelines on prosecution for assisted suicide
Thursday 6 March	Debate on the contribution of women to the economy of the United Kingdom, to mark International Women's Day
Monday 10 March	QSD on the current situation in Gibraltar
Wednesday 12 March	QSD on the plans for the future of Bletchley Park
Thursday 13 March	Debate on education

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## Defence Reform Bill

### *Committee calendar*

The House has committed the Defence Reform Bill to a Grand Committee. *Forthcoming Business* indicates that the Usual Channels intend that the Bill should complete its Committee stage in five days. This document, prepared by the bill team and agreed in the Usual Channels, sets out the subject matter expected to be covered each day. It is non-binding and may be revised, but it is intended to help participants with grouping and planning their own participation in the proceedings.

Session	Date	Clauses	Policy
1	3 February 2014	1	Part 1: Defence Procurement Defence Procurement arrangements Transfers General
2	5 February 2014	2-12 Schs 1-3	Part 1 cont.: Defence Procurement Defence Procurement arrangements Transfers General
3	11 February 2014	44-47 & Schedules 6-7	Part 3: Reserve Forces
4	25 February 2014	13-43 Schs 4-5 48-50	Part 2: Single Source Contracts Single Source Regulations Office Qualifying defence contracts Pricing contracts Transparency Sub-contracts Compliance SSRO: other functions Disclosure of information Review General Part 4: Final Provisions
5	26 February 2014		

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**Immigration Bill**

*Committee calendar*

The House has committed the Immigration Bill to a Committee of the whole House. *Forthcoming Business* indicates that the Usual Channels intend that the Bill should complete its Committee stage in six days. This document, prepared by the bill team and agreed in the Usual Channels, sets out the subject matter expected to be covered each day. It is non-binding and may be revised, but it is intended to help participants with grouping and planning their own participation in the proceedings.

Session	Date	Clauses	Policy
1	3 March 2014	1-14	Removal directions; powers of immigration officers; bail; biometrics Appeals etc
2	5 March 2014		
3	10 March 2014	15-42	Access to services: residential tenancies; NHS; bank accounts; work; driving licences
4	12 March 2014		
5	tbc	43-57	Referral and investigation of proposed Marriages and Civil Partnerships; sham marriage and civil partnership; other provisions
6	tbc	58-70	Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner; Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland; deprivation of citizenship; embarkation checks; fees; Final provisions

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**Pensions Bill**

*Report calendar*

*Forthcoming Business* indicates that the Usual Channels intend that the Bill should complete its Report stage in two days. This document, prepared by the bill team and agreed in the Usual Channels, sets out the subject matter expected to be covered each day. It is non-binding and may be revised, but it is intended to help participants with grouping and planning their own participation in the proceedings.

Session	Date	Clauses	Policy
1	24 February 2014	Cl 1-31	State pension Pensionable Age State Pension Credit Bereavement Support Payment
2	26 February 2014	Cl 32-56	Private Pensions Final Provisions