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BY virtue of Her Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal, and in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, Parliament was prorogued on the above-mentioned day to Thursday the Eighteenth day of this instant November, to be then here holden.
PRAYERS.

1 Message to attend Her Majesty.—A Message from Her Majesty was delivered by the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod.

Madam Speaker,

The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend Her Majesty immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly, Madam Speaker, with the House, went up to attend Her Majesty:—And having returned;

Madam Speaker resumed the Chair at half-past Two o'clock.

2 Elections.—Ordered, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their Election for which of the places they will serve, within one week after it shall appear that there is no question upon the Return for that place; and if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their returns are determined.

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except a Peer of Ireland, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person have been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be by bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

3 Witnesses.—Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any witness, in respect of his evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanor; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.
4 Metropolitan Police,—Ordered, That the Commissioner of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that during the Session of Parliament the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in Westminster Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the Sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioner aforesaid.

5 Votes and Proceedings,—Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by the Speaker, and that she do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as she shall appoint do presume to print the same.

6 Outlawries,—A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

7 Journal,—Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Clifford John Boulton, K.C.B., the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such person as shall be licensed by the Speaker, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

8 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

9 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

10 Queen's Speech,—Madam Speaker reported Her Majesty's Speech and directed that it be entered in the Journal, as follows:

*My Lords and Members of the House of Commons*

The Duke of Edinburgh and I look forward to our tour of Caribbean countries next spring. We shall visit France to inaugurate, with the President of the French Republic, the Channel Tunnel in May; and to attend the ceremonies to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Normandy Landings, in June. We shall visit Canada to attend the Commonwealth Games in August.

My Government attach the highest importance to national security. They will maintain full support for the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. They will work to secure NATO's adaptation to the changing security environment, and to continue developing the operational role of the Western European Union. My Government will work for full implementation of the Conventional Armed Forces in Europe Treaty, and for the entry into force of the Open Skies Treaty. Britain's minimum independent nuclear deterrent will be maintained.

My Government will work for the effective implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention, to prevent proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, to promote the indefinite and unconditional extension of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and to encourage international responsibility in conventional arms transfers. They will take part constructively in negotiations on a verifiable and comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban. They will continue to help with the safe and secure transport of nuclear weapons for dismantling in the former Soviet Union.

Now that the Treaty of Maastricht has entered into force, My Government will attach particular importance to implementing the new common foreign and security policy and intergovernmental co-operation in the fields of justice and home affairs. They will work to ensure that the principle of subsidiarity is applied to European Community legislation. My Government will promote financial and budgetary discipline in the Community. They will work within the Community for a successful conclusion to the Uruguay Round of trade negotiations.

My Government will work for a rapid conclusion of accession agreements with Austria, Finland, Norway and Sweden, and will continue to put forward the case for European countries which are ready and wish to join the European Community.

My Government will strive for a peaceful settlement in the former Yugoslavia. They will provide help for political and economic reform in the states of the former Soviet Union, and their integration into the international community.

My Government will play a constructive role in strengthening the United Nations' capacity to undertake peacekeeping and preventive action. They will work for full Iraqi compliance with Security Council Resolutions.
My Government welcome the recent breakthrough in the Middle East peace process. They will continue to support efforts to bring lasting peace to the region.

My Government will work for the long-term stability and prosperity of Hong Kong and to co-operate with China to implement the Sino-British Joint Declaration in the best interests of the Hong Kong people.

My Government will play an active part in the Commonwealth. They will support construction of a democratic society in South Africa.

My Government will maintain a substantial aid programme to promote sustainable development and good government.

My Government will introduce legislation to place the Secret Intelligence Service and Government Communications Headquarters on a statutory basis; and to make further provisions for the oversight and accountability of them and the Security Service.

In Northern Ireland My Government will continue their efforts to defeat terrorism through impartial and resolute enforcement of the law, to uphold the democratic wishes of its people and seek political progress by broadly based agreement, to strengthen economic progress and to create equality of opportunity for all sections of the community. They will maintain positive relations with the Republic of Ireland.

My Government will maintain their fight against terrorism, throughout the United Kingdom and elsewhere.

Members of the House of Commons
Estimates for the public service will be laid before you.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons
My Government will continue with firm financial policies designed to support continuing economic growth and rising employment, based on permanently low inflation.

My Government will bring together tax and expenditure decisions in a unified Budget. Fiscal policy will be set to bring the budget deficit back towards balance over the medium term. My Government will reduce the share of national income taken by the public sector. They will continue to promote enterprise and improve the supply performance of the economy.

The Citizen's Charter will remain central to My Government's programme for improving public services.

Legislation will be introduced to give force to the changes in the European Community's system of own resources following the agreement at the Edinburgh European Council.

Legislation will be introduced to facilitate deregulation and to remove obstacles to contracting out by central and local government.

My Government will continue to give priority to law and order. Legislation will be introduced to allow the courts to deal more effectively with young offenders and to make improvements in the criminal law.

A Bill will be introduced to improve the organisation and management of the police so that they are better able to combat crime, and to strengthen the administration of magistrates' courts.

My Government will continue to develop its policies on social security so that help is concentrated on those most in need and expenditure is kept within the affordable limits. Legislation will be introduced to raise the National Insurance Contributions paid by employees.

Legislation will be introduced to privatise British Coal.

My Government will bring forward legislation to reform local government in Scotland and Wales.

My Government will introduce legislation to establish new arrangements for funding teacher training in England and Wales and to reform student unions.

My Government will bring forward a Bill to reform the law on Sunday Trading in England and Wales.

Bills will be introduced to take forward Environment Agency planning, and to reform the law on trade marks.

Other measures will be laid before you.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons
I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your counsels.
Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

12 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.27 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Prorogation of Parliament pursuant to Standing Order No. 137 (Presentation of command papers):

1 Law Commissions,—Report of the Law Commission on criminal law, legislating the criminal code, offences against the person and general principles [Cm. 2370] [Mr John M. Taylor].

2 Paraguay (No. 1, 1993).—Notes exchanged at Asuncion on 17th June 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Paraguay amending the Agreement for the promotion and protection of investments signed at London on 4th June 1981 [Cm. 2378] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

3 Prisons,—Report and Accounts of the Prison Service for 1992-93 [Cm. 2385] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 Miscellaneous (No. 25, 1993).—Recommendations of the seventeenth Antarctic Treaty consultative meeting held at Venice on 10th to 20th November 1992 [Cm. 2384] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

5 Monopolies and Mergers,—Reports by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on—

   (1) the supply in the UK of the service of calibrating and servicing gas analysing equipment and

   (2) the supply in the UK for retail sale of fine fragrances

   [Cm. 2386 and 2380] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

6 Treaty Series (No. 71, 1993),—Notes exchanged at Berne on 2nd and 23rd November 1992 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Swiss Federal Council further amending the Agreement for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories done at London on 5th April 1950 [Cm. 2379] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 Treaty Series (No. 73, 1993),—Agreement, done at Dublin on 30th April 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland relating to the transmission of natural gas by pipeline between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland with exchange of notes [Cm. 2377] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 Treaty Series (No. 74, 1993),—Notes exchanged at London on 26th March 1992 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Canada amending the Treaty on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (Drug Trafficking) signed at Ottawa on 22nd June 1988 [Cm. 2383] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

8th November 1993

9 Civil Aviation,—Air Navigation (Fifth Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2670), dated 27th October 1993 [Mr Tony Newton].

10 Extradition,—(1) European Convention on Extradition (Fiscal Offences) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2663), and
dated 27th October 1993 [Mr Tony Newton].


15 Supreme Court of England and Wales, Rules of the Supreme Court (Amendment No. 2) 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2760), dated 5th November 1993 [Mr John M. Taylor].


17 Education (Scotland), Teachers (Education, Training and Recommendation for Registration) (Scotland) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2732), dated 28th October 1993 [Mr Secretary Lang].


21 Road Traffic, Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Boroughs of Camden, Hackney and Hounslow) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2804), dated 13th November 1993 [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


23 Charities, Charities (Designated Religious Bodies) (Scotland) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2774), dated 5th November 1993 [Mr Secretary Lang].
Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Thursday 18th November:

24 Sex Discrimination,—Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay (Remedies) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2798), dated 11th November 1993 [Mr Secretary Hunt].

25 Agriculture,—(1) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Central Borders) Designation Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2767), and
   (2) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Stewartry) Designation Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2768),
   dated 2nd November 1993 [Mr Secretary Lang].


Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

28 Employment and Training,—(1) Draft Industrial Training Levy (Construction Board) Order 1994, and
   (2) draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Board) Order 1994
   [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

29 European Communities,—Draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (European Investment Fund) Order 1993 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

30 Legal Aid and Advice, Scotland,—(1) Draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993, and
   (2) draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 1993
   [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


33 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Oxford, on 2nd June 1993, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

34 Audit (Northern Ireland),—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland on Department of Education: energy efficiency in the education sector [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 6] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

35 Census,—Ward Monitor for Greater London for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

36 Provisional Orders (Scotland),—Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Lord Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under section 1(4) of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, that they have taken into consideration the representations by Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust, and that they have decided that the said powers could be more properly obtained by the promotion of a Private Bill than by the promotion of a Private Bill and of a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1946 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


38 Supply Estimates, 1993-94,—(1) Winter Supplementary Estimates and New Estimates for 1993-94 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 2]; and
   (2) Treasury Minute, dated 18th November 1993, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Votes specified in the Winter Supplementary Estimates and New Estimates for the year ending 31st March 1994 [by Act]
   [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

39 Supply Estimates 1994-95,—(1) Estimates (Classes I-XIX) for which a Vote on Account is required for 1994-95 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 3] [Mr Stephen Dorrell]; and
(2) Estimates for the National Audit Office (Class XIX-B, Vote 1) for which a Vote on Account is required for 1994-95 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 5] [Sir Peter Hordern].

40 Transport.—Statement of determination of salaries and bonuses of the Chairman and Members of the British Railways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Paper withdrawn

41 European Communities,— European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Act Amending the Protocol on the Statute of the European Investment Bank empowering the Board of Governors to establish a European Investment Fund) Order 1993 [laid 4th November, in the last Session of Parliament].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

Accommodation and Works,— Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Accommodation and Works Committee on 18th November together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-i] [Mr Ray Powell].

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

The Speaker appointed the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office to print the Votes and Proceedings of this House.

[No. 2.]

Friday 19th November 1993.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,— Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions,— A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for improved provision for nursery education was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

3 Public Petitions,— A Public Petition from residents of Carmarthen against the imposition of V.A.T. on bus and coach fares was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

4 Sunday Trading Bill,— Mr Secretary Howard, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Gummer, Mr Secretary Hunt and Mr Peter Lloyd, presented a Bill to reform the law of England and Wales relating to Sunday trading; to make provision as to the rights of shop workers under the law of England and Wales in relation to Sunday working; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 22nd November and to be printed [Bill 1].

5 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),— The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:— The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Monday 22nd November.

6 Adjournment,— Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Michael Brown.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 22nd November.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Friday 19th November 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education, — (1) Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2709), dated 27th October 1993,
(2) Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2827), dated 17th November 1993, and
by Act [Mr Secretary Patten].

2 Electricity, — (1) Area Boards (Dissolution) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2825), dated 11th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine]; and
(2) Scottish Electricity Boards (Dissolution) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2802), dated 10th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Industrial Assurance, — Collecting Societies (Returns) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2826), dated 16th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

Other Papers:

4 Agriculture, — Report and Accounts of the Home-Grown Cereals Authority for the period 1st July 1992 to 30th June 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

5 Appropriation Accounts, — Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Class VIII (Environment) for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 11-VI] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

6 Industrial Organisation and Development, — Accounts prepared pursuant to the Industrial Organisation and Development Act 1947 of the sums recovered by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 17] [Clerk of the House].

7 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on progress on the Department of Transport's motorway widening programme [by Act]; to be printed [No. 10] [Clerk of the House].

8 Supreme Court (Northern Ireland, Land Purchase Account of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Northern Ireland, for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 15] [Clerk of the House].

9 Treaty Series (No. 75, 1993), — Amendments to Articles II and VII of the Articles of Agreement of the International Finance Corporation [by Command] [Cm. 2412] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

10 Treaty Series (No. 76, 1993), — Notes exchanged at Addis Ababa on 11th and 12th August 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Transitional Government of Ethiopia concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Ethiopia Debt Agreement No. 1 (1992)) [by Command] [Cm. 2413] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 Treaty Series (No. 77, 1993), — Second supplementary list of ratifications, accessions, withdrawals, etc., for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2414] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers. — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees. — Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords. — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
   Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], — The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, an Act to empower London Regional Transport and Croydon London Borough Council to provide for the development and operation of a system of light rail transit in the London boroughs of Merton, Sutton, Croydon and Bromley; to authorise the construction of works and the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to confer further powers upon London Regional Transport and Croydon London Borough Council; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
   Greater Manchester (List Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords] — The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on the Executive; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
   London Local Authorities Bill [Lords], — The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further powers upon local authorities in London; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Northern Ireland. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments &c.), That the draft Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope): It was agreed to.

5 Northern Ireland. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Environment and Safety Information (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope): — It was agreed to.

6 Northern Ireland. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope): — It was agreed to.

7 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address). — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [18th November], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

   Most Gracious Sovereign,

   We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

   And the Question being again proposed: — The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

   Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.

   The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr James Wallace: 10.
   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Brown: 91.

   So the Question was negatived.

   And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.
8 House of Commons Commission,—Ordered, That Ms Janet Anderson be appointed a member of the House of Commons Commission in place of Mr Peter Shore, under the House of Commons (Administration) Act 1978.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

9 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Birkenhead against the imposition of V.A.T. on bus and coach fares was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

10 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Paper delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 19th November 1993 pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Transport,—Meldon Quarry Branch Line Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2805), dated 11th November 1993 [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Monday 22nd November 1993
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


[by Measure] [Clerk of the House].


4 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the Governing Body of Girton College, Cambridge, on 12th May 1993, amending the statutes of the College [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

5 Farmland and Rural Development,—Report of the Rural Development Commission for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


7 Supply Estimates,—Estimates for the House of Commons Commission (Class XIX, A) for which a Vote on Account is required for 1994-95 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 4] [The Speaker].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—(1) First Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland: Animal Health Measures], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 23]; (2) Second Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Training and Employment of Disabled Persons in Northern Ireland]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 24]; and (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 22nd November; to be printed [Nos. 25-i and 26-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
CHAIRMEN'S PANEL

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 4 (Chairmen's Panel), the Speaker nominated Dr John G. Blackburn, Mr Joe Benton, Mr Frank Cook, Mr Patrick Cormack, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr Alan Haselhurst, Mr Robert Hicks, Mr James Hill, Mr Norman Hogg, Mr Roy Hughes, Sir John Hunt, Mr Barry Jones, Mr Martyn Jones, Sir James Kilfedder, Sir David Knox, Mr John McWilliam, Mr Michael J. Martin, Mr Iain Mills, Mr Edward O'Hara, Sir Giles Shaw, Mr Michael Shersby, Mr Roger Sims, Mrs Ann Winterton and Mr Nicholas Winterton to be members of the Chairmen's Panel during this Session.

[No. 4.]

Tuesday 23rd November 1993.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
   Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee, —The Lords communicate that they have appointed a Select Committee of seven Lords to join with a Committee appointed by the Commons as the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, with the same orders of reference as were communicated to this House on 3rd June 1992, in Session 1992-93; and that they have ordered that the Committee do meet with the Committee appointed by the Commons this day at half-past Four o'clock.

4 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [18th November], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:
   Most Gracious Sovereign,
   We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;
   And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.
   And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

5 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
   (1) constituents of Staffordshire Moorlands, and
   (2) constituents of Congleton
   against the imposition of VAT on bus and coach fares were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

6 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)
   And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Tuesday 23rd November 1993
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:
1 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Measure passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, entitled the Pastoral (Amendment) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 22] [Clerk of the House].

2 Companies,—Draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

3 Insurance,—Draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

Other papers:
5 Census,—Report of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the 1991 Census for Wales (Part 1) [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee upon the Pastoral (Amendment) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 18] (Clerk of the House).

7 National Heritage,—Departmental Minute, dated 23rd November 1993, concerning the gifting of the National Gallery, the National Portrait Gallery and the Wallace Collection to their respective boards of trustees [by Command] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 23rd November; to be printed [No. 32-i] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 23rd November; to be printed [No. 28-i] [Mr David Howell].

3 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—First Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [The Powers, Work and Jurisdiction of the Ombudsman] together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 33] [Mr James Pawsey].

4 Statutory Instruments,—First Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-i] [Mr Bob Cryer].

5 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 23rd November; to be printed [No. 34] [Mr Richard Caborn].

6 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 23rd November; to be printed [No. 27-i] [Mr John Watts].

[No. 5.]

Wednesday 24th November 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Business of the House,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of—
(1) the total number of Questions to Ministers or other Members which stood on the Order Paper, distinguishing those set down for oral, written priority and written answer respectively, the number of days upon which replies to Questions for oral answer were given in the House; and the total number of Questions for oral answer to which such answers were given in the House;

(2) the total number of Notices of Motions given for an early day;

(3) the number of Members ordered to withdraw from the House under Standing Order No. 42 (Disorderly conduct), showing separately the orders given in the House and those given in Committee; and the Members suspended from the service of the House under Standing Order No. 43 (Order in debate) or otherwise, distinguishing whether the offence was committed in the House or in Committee, the period of such suspension, the number of occasions on which more than one Member was so suspended having jointly disregarded the authority of the Chair, and the number of occasions on which the attention of the House was called to the need for recourse to force to compel obedience to the Speaker's direction; and

(4) the number of public petitions presented to the House distinguishing separately those brought to the Table at the times specified by Standing Order No. 133 (Time and manner of presenting petitions).—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

2 Closure of Debate and Allocation of Time, — Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of—

(A) applications of Standing Order No. 35 (Closure of debate)—

(1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:

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(B) applications of Standing Order No. 28 (Powers of Chair to propose question)—

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(C) the number of Bills in respect of which allocation of time orders (distinguishing where appropriate orders supplementary to a previous order) were made under Standing Order No. 81 (Allocation of time to bills), showing in respect of each Bill—

(i) the number of sittings allotted to the consideration of the Bill in Standing Committee by any report of a Business Sub-Committee under Standing Order No. 103 (Business sub-committees) agreed to by the Standing Committee, and the number of sittings of the Standing Committee pursuant thereto; and
(ii) the number of days or portions of days allotted by the allocation of time order and any supplementary order to the consideration of the Bill at any stage in the House or in committee, together with the number of days upon which proceedings were so taken in the House or in committee.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

3 Delegated Legislation, — Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-3 of—

(A) the numbers of Instruments subject to the different forms of parliamentary procedure and those for which no parliamentary procedure is prescribed by statute (1) laid before the House; and (2) considered by the Joint Committee and Select Committee on Statutory Instruments respectively pursuant to their orders of reference, setting out the grounds on which Instruments may be drawn to the special attention of the House under Standing Order No. 124 (Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)) and specifying the number of Instruments so reported under each of these grounds; and

(B) the numbers of Instruments considered by a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., and by the House respectively, showing the number where the Question on the proceedings relating thereto was put forthwith under paragraph (5) of Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.).—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

4 Private Bills and Private Business, — Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of—

(1) the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, Bills for the confirmation of Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders introduced into this House, and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed, specifying also the dates of the House's consideration of the several stages of such Bills;

(2) all Private Bills, Hybrid Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which were reported on by Committees on Opposed Bills or by Committees nominated by the House and partly by the House or partly by the Committee of Selection, together with the names of the selected Members who served on each Committee; the first and also the last day of the sitting of each Committee; the number of days on which each Committee sat, the number of days on which each selected Member served; the number of days occupied by each Bill in Committee; the Bills for which the Preambles were reported to have been proved; the Bills of which the Preambles were reported to have been not proved; and in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Order ought or ought not to be confirmed;

(3) all Private Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which were referred by the Committee of Selection to the Committee on Unopposed Bills, together with the names of the Members who served on the Committee; the number of days on which the Committee sat; and the number of days on which each Member attended;

(4) the number of Bills to confirm Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, distinguishing those proceeded with under section 7 and under section 9 respectively; specifying, in the case of Bills proceeded with under section 9 against which petitions were deposited, whether a motion was made to refer the Bill to a Joint Committee, and if so whether such motion was agreed to, withdrawn, negatived or otherwise disposed of; and stating for each Joint Committee to which a Bill was referred the names of the Members of this House nominated thereto, the first and last of the Committee's sitting, the number of days on which each Joint Committee sat for the consideration of the Bill referred to it, the number of days on which each Member of the Committee served, and whether the Committee reported that the order ought or ought not to be confirmed;

(5) the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, Bills for the confirmation of Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders withdrawn or not proceeded with by the parties, those Bills being specified which were referred to Committees and dropped during the sittings of the Committee; and

(6) the membership, work, costs and staff of the Court of Referees and the Standing Orders Committee.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

5 Public Bills, — Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of the number of Public Bills (other than Bills to confirm Provisional Orders and Bills to confirm Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936) distinguishing Government from other Bills, introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, showing—

(1) the number which received the Royal Assent, and
(2) the number which did not receive the Royal Assent, indicating those which were introduced into but not passed by this House, those passed by this House but not by the House of Lords, those passed by the House of Lords but not by this House, those passed by both Houses but Amendments not agreed to, and distinguishing the stages at which such Bills were dropped, postponed or rejected in either House of Parliament, or the stages which such Bills had reached by the time of Prorogation.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

6 Sittings of the House,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of the days on which the House sat; stating for each day the day of the month and day of the week, the hour of the meeting, and the hour of the adjournment; the total number of hours occupied in the sittings of the House; and the average time; showing the number of hours on which the House sat each day and the number of hours after the time appointed for the interruption of business; and specifying, for each principal type of business before the House, how much time was spent thereon, distinguishing from the total the time spent after the hour appointed for the interruption of business.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

7 Special Procedure Orders,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of—

(1) The number of Special Procedure Orders presented; the number withdrawn; the number annulled; the number against which Petitions or copies of Petitions were deposited; the number of Petitions of General Objection and for Amendment respectively considered by the Chairmen; the number of such petitions certified by the Chairmen as proper to be received and the number certified by them as being Petitions of General Objection and for Amendment respectively; the number referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses; the number reported with Amendments by a Joint Committee, and the number in relation to which a Joint Committee reported that the Order be not approved and be amended respectively; and the number of Bills introduced for the confirmation of Special Procedure Orders; and

(2) Special Procedure Orders which were referred to a Joint Committee, together with the names of the Commons Members who served on each Committee; the number of days on which each Committee sat; and the number of days on which each such Member attended.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

8 Standing Committees,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of—

(1) the total number and the names of all Members (including and distinguishing Chairmen) who have been appointed to serve on one or more Standing Committees showing, with regard to each of such Members, the number of sittings to which he was summoned and at which he was present;

(2) the number of Bills, Estimates, Matters and other items referred to Standing Committees pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), or Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees) considered by all and by each of the Standing Committees, the number of sittings of each Committee and the titles of all Bills, Estimates, Matters and other items as above considered by a Committee, distinguishing where a Bill was a Government Bill or was brought from the House of Lords, and showing in the case of each Bill, Estimate, Matter and other item, the particular Committee by which it was considered, the number of sittings at which it was considered (including, in the case of the Scottish Grand Committee, the number of Meetings held in Edinburgh, pursuant to a motion made under paragraph 3 of Standing Order No. 94 (Scottish Grand Committee)) and the number of Members present at each of those sittings; and

(3) the membership, work, costs and staff of the Chairmen's Panel.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

9 Select Committees,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1992-93 of information and statistics relating to the membership, work, costs and staff of Select Committees (other than the Standing Orders Committee).—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

10 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

11 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

12 Selection (Standing Committees),—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection the following Resolution:
That, after a Bill has been under consideration in a Standing Committee, no application for changes in the composition of that Committee in respect of that Bill will be entertained by this Committee except where a Member is incapacitated from attendance by illness or where he has been appointed or ceased to be a Member of the Government or has changed his office for another, or has acquired other duties, or ceased to hold or changed such duties.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Selection (Select Committees),—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection the following Resolution:

That Motions to alter the membership of Select Committees may be tabled on behalf of the Committee only if previously approved at a Meeting of the Committee.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

European Standing Committee A,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of European Standing Committee A for Session 1992-93 be printed [No. 39].

European Standing Committee B,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of European Standing Committee B for Session 1992-93 be printed [No. 40].

Welsh Grand Committee,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 98 (Welsh Grand Committee), That the Matter of the implications of the Budget for Wales, being a Matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for its consideration.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell)—It was agreed to.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That—

(1) Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business) shall have effect for this Session with the following modifications, namely: In paragraph (4) the word 'thirteen' shall be substituted for the word 'ten' in line 44; in paragraph (5) the word 'eighth' shall be substituted for the word 'seventh' in line 46; in paragraph (6) the word 'Thursday' shall be substituted for the word 'Wednesday' in line 61; in paragraph (8) the word 'two' shall be substituted for the word 'four' in line 67; in paragraph (9) the words 'and Thursdays' shall be inserted after the word 'Wednesdays' in line 74; and in paragraph (10) the word 'Thursday' shall be substituted for the word 'Wednesday' in line 84;

(2) Standing Order No. 90 (Second reading committees) shall have effect for this Session with the following modification, namely: In paragraph (2) the word 'eighth' shall be substituted for the word 'seventh' in line 23;

(3) Private Members' Bills shall have precedence over Government business on 28th January, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th February, 4th, and 11th March, 15th and 22nd April, 6th, 13th and 20th May and 15th July;

(4) Private Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government business on 10th December, 14th and 21st January, 18th March, 29th April, 10th, 17th and 24th June and 1st and 8th July, and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on 25th November, 8th and 15th December, 2nd March, 13th April, 18th and 25th May and 8th, 15th and 22nd June;

(5) On Monday 7th February and Monday 25th April, Private Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government business until Seven o'clock and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on 20th January and Thursday 24th March; and

(6) No Notice of Motion shall be handed in for any of the days on which Private Members' Notices have precedence under this Order in anticipation of the ballot for that day.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell)

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [18th November], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.
An Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end to add the words 'but humbly regret that the Gracious Speech contains not a single measure to raise investment in industry, to improve the level of skills of the workforce, to modernise public infrastructure, or to expand private research and development expenditure, and no recognition of the burden on the economy and the cost to individual citizens of mass unemployment, and no commitment to make its sustained reduction the priority of macro-economic management today; support the repeal of outdated regulations but reject proposals that will reduce the protection of the public as consumers and as employees by means of legislation that will increase the powers of Whitehall at the expense of its accountability to this House; and further regret that the Gracious Speech contains no proposals to tackle the rigged market created on the privatisation of the electricity industry or to provide a more open opportunity for coal to compete for a fairer market share, but proposes the privatisation of the coal industry which will accelerate closures of mines and threaten the safety of miners'. (Mr Robin Cook.)

An the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 276.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 319.
So the Question was negatived.
And the Main Question being again proposed;
And it being after Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

20 Welsh Grand Committee,—Ordered, That, during the proceedings on the Matter of the implications of the Budget for Wales, the Welsh Grand Committee have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it shall meet, and that, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 88 (Meetings of standing committees), the second such sitting shall not commence before Four o'clock nor continue after the Committee has considered the Matter for two hours at the sitting.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

21 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Newcastle under Lyme against V.A.T. on bus and coach fares was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

22 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
(1) citizens of Dundee against V.A.T. on domestic fuel;
(2) residents of Sittingbourne against V.A.T. on bus and coach fares;
(3) residents of the West Midlands against transfer to another place of the Birmingham Children's Hospital Transplant Unit; and
(4) residents of Wolverhampton against reduced section 11 funding under the Local Government Act

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

23 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr James Arbuthnot);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having lasted for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then ten minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.50 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 24th November 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Income Tax,—(1) Draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993,
(2) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993,
(3) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993, and
(4) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993,

[by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].
Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


(2) Industrial Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedures) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2687) dated 17th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt]; and

(3) Industrial Tribunals,—Industrial Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure (Scotland) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2688), dated 17th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

Other Papers:

3 Agriculture,—Accounts of the Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce for the period 1st October 1991 to 31st March 1992; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 44] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].


5 Health,—Departmental Minute of the Department of Health on a contingent liability consequent on the clinical trials of blood products produced by the National Blood Authority [by Command] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 Law Commissions,—Report of the Scottish Law Commission for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 7] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 National Health Service (Scotland),—Report and Accounts of the Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 8] [Mr Secretary Lang].

8 Overseas Pensions,—Overseas Service Pensions Amendment Scheme 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—First Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1993-94, on loss of employment caused by mistaken revocation of a licence to drive a heavy goods vehicle [by Act]; to be printed [No. 15] [Clerk of the House].

10 Science and Technology,—Report of the Agricultural and Food Research Council for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr William Waldegrave].

11 Sex Discrimination,—Account by the Equal Opportunities Commission for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 36] [Clerk of the House].

12 Social Security,—Government Reply to the Fourth Report from the Social Security Committee, Session 1992-93, on the work of the Maxwell insolvency practitioners [by Command] [Cm. 2415] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

13 Welsh Affairs,—Government Response to the Second Report of the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1992-93, on the preservation of historical buildings and ancient monuments [by Command] [Cm. 2416] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Chairmen's Panel (Parliament Act 1911),—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That, in pursuance of Section 1(3) of the Parliament Act 1911, it had appointed Sir Giles Shaw and Mr Roy Hughes to be the two Members whom the Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before certifying a Bill to be a Money Bill.

2 Committee on Unopposed Bills (Panel),—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had appointed twenty-five Members to be the Panel of Members to serve on the Committee on Unopposed Bills under Standing Order 111 relating to Private Business (Reference to committees of opposed and unopposed bills), viz.: Mr Richard Alexander, Mr Jack Aspinwall, Dr John G. Blackburn, Mr Robert Banks, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Geoffrey Dickens, Mr Peter Fry, Mr Robert Hicks, Mr John Hutton, Sir David Knox, Mr Robert Litherland, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr Andrew McKelvey, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr David Marshall, Mr Terry Patchett, Mr Barry Porter, Mr Martin Redmond, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr Roger Sims, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner, Mrs Ann Winterton, Audrey Wise and Mr Mark Wolfson.

3 Provisional Orders (Scotland) (Panel),—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That, in pursuance of Standing Order 228 relating to Private Business (Parliamentary Panel), it had selected fourteen Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation
Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, viz.: Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Ian Davidson, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr Phil Gallice, Mr Adam Ingram, Mr George Kynoch, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr John McFall, Mr Michael J. Martin, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Ernie Ross, Rachel Squire, Mr Bill Walker and Mr Andrew Welsh.

4 Standing Committee C.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had designated Standing Committee C as the Committee on which Government Bills shall not have precedence.

5 Welsh Grand Committee.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated four additional Members to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee for the remainder of this Session, unless otherwise ordered by the Committee, viz.: Mr David Evans, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Secretary Redwood and Mr David Tredinnick.

6 Standing Orders Committee.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eleven Members to serve on the Standing Orders Committee under Standing Order 103 relating to Private Business (Appointment of Standing Orders Committee), viz.: Mr Andrew Bowden, Mr Bob Cryer, Dame Janet Fookes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Michael Morris, Mr James Pawsey, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr Michael Stern and Mr Nicholas Winterton.

7 European Standing Committee A.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated thirteen Member to serve on European Standing Committee A, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr Michael Connarty, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr Nigel Evans, Cheryl Gillan, Mr David Harris, Mr David Lidington, Mr Gordon McMaster, Emma Nicholson, Mr Edward O'Hara, Mr John Sykes and Mr John D. Taylor.

8 European Standing Committee B.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated thirteen Members to serve on European Standing Committee B, viz.: Mr Robert Ainsworth, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr Nirj Joseph Deva, Mr Derek Enright, Mr Bill Etherington, Mr Michael Fabricant, Mr Paul Flynn, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Bernard Jenkin, Mr John Whittingdale and Mr Dafydd Wigley.

9 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Environment and Safety Information (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, viz.: Mr Peter Ainsworth, Mr Robert Atkins, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Julian Brazier, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Michael Carttiss, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr John Denham, Mr Jonathan Evans, Mr David Faber, Sir George Gardiner, Mr Jerry Hayes, Glenda Jackson, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr William O’Brien, Mr A. Cecil Walker and Mr Jimmy Wray.

10 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, viz.: Mr Robert Atkins, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Clifford Forsythe, Dr Keith Hampson, Mr John Heppell, Glenda Jackson, Mr Bernard Jenkin, Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Jane Kennedy, Mr Edward Leigh, Mr Ken Livingstone, Sir Michael Marshall, Mr William O’Brien, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Andrew Robathan and Mr David Sumberg.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 24th November; to be printed [No. 43-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Education.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 24th November; to be printed [No. 45-i] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 European Legislation.—First Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-i] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Foreign Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 24th November; to be printed [No. 37-i] [Mr David Howell].

5 Home Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 24th November; to be printed [No. 46-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 National Heritage.—First Report from the National Heritage Committee [Privacy and Media Intrusion: Follow up Report]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 38] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].
7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 24th November; to be printed [No. 42-i] [Mr James Pawsey].

8 Public Accounts, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 24th November; to be printed [No. 49-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

9 Trade and Industry, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 24th November; to be printed [No. 41-i] [Mr Richard Caborn].

10 Transport, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 24th November; to be printed [No. 47-i] [Mr Paul Channon].

11 Welsh Affairs, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 24th November; to be printed [No. 35-i] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 24th November 1993

1 Constitution of Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—

(1) the draft Environment and Safety Information (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

(2) the draft Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Roy Hughes Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of the implications of the Budget for Wales;

(2) Mr Edward O'Hara Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Environment and Safety Information (Northern Ireland) Order 1993;

(3) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993;

(4) Mr Michael Shersby Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 7825/93, relating to prices for school milk; and

(5) Mr Martyn Jones Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 8107/93, relating to the Fourth Framework Programme for Research and Development.

3 European Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 9298/93, relating to own resources, the unnumbered Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 16th November 1993, relating to part-time and temporary work, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 5th November 1993, relating to the European Parliament's proposed amendments to the draft general budget for 1994, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 22nd November 1993, relating to Council decisions on the European Parliament's proposed amendments to the draft general budget for 1994, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 6.]

Thursday 25th November 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
2 Liaison.—Sir Terence Higgins reported, pursuant to Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That the Liaison Committee had directed him to report the following recommendation for the allocation of time for the consideration of Estimates on allotted days (being the first allotted day in the present Session).

That a day not later than 6th February be allotted for the consideration of the following Supplementary Estimates for the financial year 1993-94:

1. Class II, Vote 2, Foreign and Commonwealth Office: other external relations, in so far as it relates to support for peacekeeping operations;
2. Class IV, Vote 2, Department of Trade and Industry: measures relating to individual industries, in so far as it relates to aerospace support;

and that debate on the first Estimate be concluded not later than three hours after its commencement.

Report to lie upon the Table.

3 Private Bills.—The Standing Orders of 20th July and 28th October relating to the British Railways (No. 4) Bill, Crossrail Bill, Dunham Bridge (Amendment) Bill, Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill, King’s Cross Railways Bill, Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill and London Underground (Green Park) Bill suspended in the last Session of Parliament, being read;

British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire land; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time, and committed.

Crossrail Bill,—A Bill to empower London Underground Limited and the British Railways Board to construct works and to purchase or use land; to confer further powers on the Company and the Board; and for other and related purposes, was read the first and second time, and committed.

Dunham Bridge (Amendment Bill),—A Bill to provide for the amendment of the existing constitution of the Dunham Bridge Company; to authorise the eventual dissolution of the Company and the vesting of its undertaking in a company registered under the Companies Act 1985; to provide for the vesting of further land in the Company and for the vesting of exchange land; to provide for new works constructed on the land so vested in the Company and on other land acquired by them to form part of the undertaking; to prescribe the level of tolls recoverable from users of Dunham Bridge and to modify the Transport Charges &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1954 in its application to the undertaking; to amend or repeal certain of the local statutory provisions applicable to the undertaking; and for related purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill,—A Bill to confer on Nottinghamshire County Council and on Nottingham City Council powers for the development and operation of a light rail system of rapid passenger transport in the city of Nottingham and elsewhere in the County of Nottinghamshire; to authorise the construction of works and the acquisition of lands for those purposes; to authorise the said Councils to transfer the undertaking established by this Act or any part thereof to Greater Nottingham Rapid Transit Limited or any other person; to confer further powers on the said Councils; and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

King’s Cross Railways Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board and London Underground Limited to construct works and to purchase or use land at King’s Cross in the London boroughs of Camden and Islington; to confer further powers on the Board and the Company; and for other and related purposes, was read the first, second and third time and passed.

Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill,—A Bill to provide for the dissolution of Letchworth Garden City Corporation and the vesting of their undertaking in a society registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1965; to repeal the Letchworth Garden City Corporation Act 1962; and for connected purposes, was read the first and second time, and committed.

London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—A Bill to empower London Underground Limited, for safety purposes and the relief of passenger congestion, to construct works to improve the underground station at Green Park and to acquire lands; and for connected purposes, was read the first and second time, and committed.

4 Private Bills [Lords] (Suspension).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office that, in respect of the following Bills brought from the House of Lords, and upon which the proceedings were suspended in this House, the Agents for each Bill have deposited in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by them, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the House of Lords in the last Session, viz:

Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords]
Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords]

London Local Authorities Bill [Lords]

5 Private Bills [Lords].—The Standing Orders of 28th October, relating to the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords] and the London Local Authorities Bill [Lords], and 2nd November, relating to the Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords], being read;

Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords].—The Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords] was read the first and second time and committed.

Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords].—The Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords] was read the first and second time and committed to the Chairman of Ways and Means.

London Local Authorities Bill [Lords].—The London Local Authorities Bill [Lords] was read the first and second time and committed.

6 Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords].—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, pursuant to the Standing Order of 2nd November, that he had gone through the Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords] and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended by the Chairman of Ways and Means, do lie upon the Table.

7 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address, The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [18th November], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed: The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words 'but note that to pay for Government mismanagement, election promises are being broken again by raising national insurance and other taxes; humbly regret that the Gracious Speech excludes a new industry, skills and employment policy for Britain; demand urgent measures to end mass unemployment and to implement the skills revolution; and call for the reconsideration of the policy of imposing VAT on fuel and the removal of the threat of further cuts in vitally important public services and in Britain's welfare state'. (Mr Gordon Brown.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Eric Ilsley: 276.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 317.

So the Question was negatived.

Another Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words 'but humbly regret that the Gracious Speech fails to provide for the increased investment and reforms in education that are essential for improving the country's economic competitiveness and expanding individual opportunity; lacks a coherent economic programme to increase public and private investment, including policies to promote competition and encourage small businesses and legislation to establish the operational independence of the Bank of England; makes no provision for promoting sustainable development policies; fails to advance a clear strategy to secure for the people of the United Kingdom the full benefits of participation in the European Community; contains no policy by which the Government will seek to work within strong supranational institutions to preserve peace, protect the environment and combat poverty; does not foreshadow a comprehensive review of the nation's defence needs; and contains no measures to improve the public's confidence in the institutions of Government'. (Mr Paddy Ashdown.)

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Calling of amendments at end of debate), That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Don Foster: 24.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 324.

So the Question was negatived.
And the Main Question being put:—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's most honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

8 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) residents of Southampton against VAT on books and reading materials;
(2) residents of Hampshire against VAT on bus and coach fares; and
(3) residents of Westhill for incorporation of Westhill into the new Council of Aberdeenshire

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

9 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Batley and Spen against VAT on bus and coach fares was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

10 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.2 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 25th November 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Insider Dealing,—Draft Insider Dealing (Securities and Regulated Markets) Order 1993 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

2 Town and Country Planning,—Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

4 Local Government,—Public Airport Companies (Capital Finance) (Fourth Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2875), dated 23rd November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

5 Protection of Wrecks,—Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 3) Order 1993 [S.I., 1993, No. 2895], dated 24th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

Other Papers:


7 Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund,—Accounts of the Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 50] [Clerk of the House].
PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Wakefield against V.A.T. on bus and coach fares was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the table and to be printed.

3 Adjournment.—a Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House, lapsed, without Question put,

4 Business of the House,—Ordered, That at the sitting on Tuesday 7th December, the Speaker shall put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to public expenditure, including the Question on any amendment thereto which she may have selected, and the said Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

5 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes to Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday 29th November.

APPENDIX

Friday 26th November 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Foreign Compensation.—Foreign Compensation (Financial Provisions) (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2806), dated 16th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

2 Northern Ireland.—Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2668), dated 27th October 1993 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

3 Sea Fisheries.—Conservation of Seals (England) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2876), dated 20th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Other Papers:

4 Appropriation Accounts.— Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Classes XVI (Wales) and XVII (Northern Ireland) for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 11-XI] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

5 Transport.—(1) Departmental Minute of the Department of Transport, dated 26th November 1993, on a contingent liability consequent on NATO indemnification scheme for civil aircraft [by Command] [Mr Secretary MacGregor]; and

(2) Report and Accounts of the Scottish Transport Group for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


(2) Libya (United Nations Sanctions) (Dependent Territories) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2808),

(3) Libya (United Nations Sanctions) (Isle of Man) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2812), and

Monday 29th November 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, — A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

The Reverend Ian Paisley, Member for North Antrim, having behaved in a grossly disorderly fashion, was ordered by the Speaker to withdraw from the House for the remainder of that day's sitting, pursuant to Standing Order No. 42 (Disorderly conduct), but he declined to comply with that direction.

Whereupon the Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order, named him for disregarding the authority of the Chair.

Whereupon a Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 43 (Order in debate), That the Reverend Ian Paisley be suspended from the service of the House — (Mr Tony Newton);

The House divided:

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 272.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Robinson, the Reverend William McCrea: 25.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Reverend Ian Paisley be suspended from the service of the House.

The Speaker then directed the Reverend Ian Paisley to withdraw from the House:

And he withdrew accordingly.

3 Sunday Trading Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunday Trading Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 311.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 26.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4 be committed to a Committee of the whole House;

That the remainder of the Bill be committed to a Standing Committee;

That, when the provisions of the Bill considered, respectively, by the Committee of the whole House and by the Standing Committee have been reported to the House, the Bill be proceeded with as if the Bill had been reported as a whole to the House from the Standing committee — (Mr Andrew MacKay): — It was agreed to.

Committee to-morrow.

4 Sunday Trading Bill [Money], — Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Sunday Trading Bill [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Sunday Trading Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of such money under any other Act. — (Mr Andrew MacKay.)

5 European Communities, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (European Investment Fund) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 18th November, be approved — (Mr Anthony Nelson);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 187.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Nigel Spearing, Mr Dennis Skinner: 3.

So the Question was agreed to.
Resolved, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (European Investment Fund) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 18th November, be approved.

6 Public Petitions, — Public Petitions from—
   (1) residents of—
       (a) Dewsbury, (b) Stoke-on-Trent, (c) Torfaen and (d) Inverness and Easter Ross against V.A.T. on bus and coach fares; and
   (2) residents of Dewsbury against V.A.T. on heating bills
       were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

7 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr James Arbuthnot);
       And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes to Twelve o’clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.47 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Monday 29th November 1993
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:
   1 Broadcasting, — Draft Broadcasting (Restrictions on the Holding of Licences) (Amendment) Order 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:
   2 Open Spaces, — Draft Hyde Park and The Regent’s Park (Vehicle Parking) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
   3 Road Traffic, — Motor Vehicles (Type Approval and Approval Marks) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2903), dated 25th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].
   5 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, — (1) Statute made by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, on 13th July 1993, amending the Statutes of the College, and
       (2) Statute made by the Governing Body of All Souls College, Oxford, on 20th August 1993, amending the Statutes of the College
       [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:
   6 Development of Tourism, — Statement of salary on appointment of a member of the Scottish Tourist Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
   7 Prisons, — Statistics of offences against prison discipline and punishments in England and Wales for 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 2411] [Mr Secretary Howard].
   8 Public Petitions, — Observations by the Secretary of State for Defence on the Petition [21st October, in the last session of Parliament] from members of the Royal Naval Auxiliary Service against the proposed disbanding of the Service [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
   9 Telecommunications, — Report and Accounts of British Telecommunications plc for 1992–93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts, — (1) Third Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Centre for Applied Microbiology and Research]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 56]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 29th November; to be printed [No. 57-i and 58-i]
 [Mr Robert Sheldon].
Tuesday 30th November 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Queen's Speech (Answer to Address),—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That Her Majesty, having been attended with its Address on 25th November, was pleased to receive the same very graciously and give the following Answer:

I have received with great satisfaction the loyal and dutiful expression of your thanks for the speech with which I opened the present Session of Parliament.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Edward O'Hara reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Environment and Safety Information (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, referred to a Committee on 22nd November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 60].

6 European Standing Committee B,—Mr Martyn Jones reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 8107/93, relating to Community research and development; and endorses the Government's negotiating objectives of securing both excellence and value for taxpayers' money in these activities, enhancing their contribution to economic competitiveness, and seeking in particular an overall amount for the Fourth Framework Programme and a detailed breakdown of expenditure between activities that reflects the United Kingdom's interests and priorities.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

8 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

9 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

10 Town and Country Planning,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

11 Court of Session (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.
12 Companies, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Irvine Patnick): It was agreed to.

13 Insurance, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Irvine Patnick): It was agreed to.

14 Financial Statement and Budget Report, 1994-95, — Ordered, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Financial Statement and Budget Report, as laid before the House by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—(Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

15 Ways and Means, Provisional Collection of Taxes, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 50 (Ways and Means Motions), That, pursuant to section 5 of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968, provisional statutory effect shall be given to the following Motions:—

(a) Tobacco products (rates) (Motion No. 4);
(b) Hydrocarbon oil (rates) (Motion No. 5);
(c) Vehicle excise duty (rates) (Motion No. 8)—(Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.

16 Ways and Means, Amendment of the Law, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of any amendment with respect to value added tax as to provide—

(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply, acquisition or importation;
(b) for refunding any amount of tax;
(c) for varying any rate at which that tax is at any time chargeable; or
(d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description.—(Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

17 Public Petitions, — Public Petitions from—

(1) the constituents of Torfaen against V.A.T. on domestic fuel, children's clothes, books and newspapers and
(2) residents of Stockport against V.A.T. on domestic fuel
were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

18 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

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APPENDIX I

Tuesday 30th November 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Agriculture, — Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2901), dated 24th November 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

2 Industrial Tribunals, — (1) Draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1993 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor]; and

(2) draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Agriculture, — (1) Bovine Embryo Collection and Transfer (Fees) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2920), dated 22nd November 1993,
(2) Bovine Embryo Collection and Transfer Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2921),
dated 22nd November 1993,
(3) Farm and Conservation Grant (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993,
No. 2900), dated 24th November 1993, and
(4) Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations
1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2924), dated 29th November 1993

[by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

4 Consumer Credit,—Consumer Credit (Exempt Agreements) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order
1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2922), dated 29th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

5 Consumer Protection,—(1) Imitation Dummies (Safety) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993,
No. 2923), dated 29th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine]; and
(2) Motor Vehicles Tyres (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993,
No. 2877), dated 23rd November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

6 Education,—(1) Education (Mandatory Awards) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993,
No. 2914), dated 26th November 1993, and
(2) Education (Student Loans) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2915), dated
29th November 1993

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten]

7 National Health Service,—Wigan and Leigh Health Services National Health Service Trust
(Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2857), dated 22nd November
1993 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Police,—Royal Ulster Constabulary (Complaints) (Informal Resolution) (Amendment)
Instruments] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

9 Social Security,—Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 7) Regulations 1993
(S.I., 1993, No. 2925), dated 30th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

10 Taxes,—Petroleum Revenue Tax (Nomination Scheme for Disposals and Appropriations
[Mr Stephen Dorrell].

11 Telecommunications,—(1) Public Telecommunications System Designations (MFS
Communications Limited) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2899),
(2) Public Telecommunications System Designation (Scottish Power
Telecommunications Limited) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2897), and
(3) Public Telecommunications System Designation (Torch Communications Limited)
Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2898),
dated 24th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

12 Value Added Tax,—(1) Value Added Tax (Cars) (Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993,
No. 2951),
(2) Value Added Tax (Increase of Consideration for Fuel) (No. 2) Order 1993
(S.I., 1993, No. 2952),
(3) Value Added Tax (Increase of Registration Limits) (No. 2) Order 1993
(S.I., 1993, No. 2953), and
(4) Value Added Tax (Input Tax) (Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2954),
dated 30th November 1993 [by Act] [Sir John Cope].

Other Papers:

13 Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for
Classes XVIII (Departments of the Chancellor of the Exchequer), XIX (Cabinet Office,
Privy Council Office and Parliament etc.), XIXA (House of Commons Commission),
XIXB (National Audit Office) and XX (Budget of the European Communities) for 1992-
93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 11-XII] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

14 Census,—Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys
for the 1991 Census for:—
(1) Cornwall and Isles of Scilly, and
(2) Isle of Wight
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

15 Financial Statement and Budget Report, 1994-95,—Financial Statement and Budget Report,
1994-95 [pursuant to Order this day]; to be printed [No. 31] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].
16 Police (Northern Ireland).—Accounts of the Police Authority for Northern Ireland, the Royal Ulster Constabulary Fund and the Police Property Fund for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 16] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

17 Public Accounts.—Treasury Minutes on the Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1992-93 [by Command] [Cm. 2419] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

18 Telecommunications.—Licences granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to:—

(1) MFS Communications Limited,
(2) Scottish Power Telecommunications Limited, and
(3) Torch Communications Limited
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Dr Keith Hampson, Mr Bernard Jenkin and Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman (nominated in respect of the draft Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993); and had appointed in substitution Mr Jonathon Evans, Mr Jerry Hayes and Mr Malcolm Moss.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

Scottish Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 29th November; to be printed [No. 62-i] [Mr William McKelvey].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 30th November 1993

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees) the Speaker appointed Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 4569/93, relating to state aid to the coal industry.

[Nos. 10.]

Wednesday 1st December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

The following Resolution:—

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 7825/93, relating to the supply of milk and certain milk products at reduced prices to schoolchildren; and acknowledges the Government's efforts in securing an agreement which, whilst reflecting the need for budgetary restraint, safeguards the viability of the scheme.
6 European Standing Committee B.—Mr Norman Hogg reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4569/93, relating to state aid to the coal industry, and endorses the Government's intention to work for Council assent to a replacement Decision based on the document in timely fashion before the present Decision expires on 31st December 1993.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 Social Security (Contributions) Bill.—Mr Secretary Lilley, supported by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Mrs Secretary Bottomley, Mr Secretary Redwood, Mr Nicholas Scott and Mr William Hague, presented a Bill to increase primary Class I contributions payable under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992; to correct the provisions as to the appropriate national health service allocation in the case of such contributions; to clarify what reliefs are to be taken into account in assessing Class 4 contributions; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 2].

8 Statutory Sick Pay Bill.—Mr Secretary Lilley, supported by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew, Mr Secretary Redwood, Mr Nicholas Scott and Mr William Hague, presented a Bill to remove the right of employers other than small employers to recover sums paid by them by way of statutory sick pay; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 3].

9 Ways and Means.—Amendment of the Law.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply, acquisition or importation;
(b) for refunding any amount of tax;
(c) for varying any rate at which that tax is at any time chargeable; or
(d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate. And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

10 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Halifax against the injurious effects of child support policies was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 1st December 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Local Government,—(1) Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Exemption) (Wales) (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2894), dated 18th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood];

(2) Local Government Reorganisation (Capital Money) (Greater London) (Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2878), dated 23rd November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer]; and
(3) Redbridge and Waltham Forest (London Borough Boundaries) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2881), dated 22nd November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other papers:

2 Health Service Commissioner, — First Report of the Health Service Commissioner for Session 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 30] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

3 Housing (Scotland), — (1) Accounts of Scottish Homes for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and
(2) Report and Summary Financial Statement of Scottish Homes for 1992–93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

4 Monopolies and Mergers, — Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the merger situation between Stagecoach Holdings plc and Lancaster City Transport Limited [by Command] [Cm. 2423] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

5 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on accounting for inflation in defence procurement [by Act]; to be printed [No. 54] [Clerk of the House].

6 Social Security, — Paper, entitled Equality in State Pension Age [by Command] [Cm.2420] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, that it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993 and the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 1993, viz.: Mr Eric Clarke, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr George Foulkes, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr Andrew Hargreaves, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Michael Lord, Mr John McFall, Sir Roger Moate, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Ernie Ross, Dr Robert Spink, Mr Michael Stern, Sir Peter Tapsell, Mr Bill Walker, Mr Mike Watson and Mr Jimmy Wray.

2 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1993, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Jimmy Boyce, Mr Menzies Campbell, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Dr Liam Fox, Mr Phil Gallie, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Robert Hughes, Mr Andrew Hunter, Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr John McFall and Mr Michael Mates.

3 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, viz.: Mr Rupert Allason, Mr Robert Atkins, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Michael Brown, Mr John Butterfill, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Stephen Day, Mr Jonathan Evans, Dame Peggy Fennler, Dr Keith Hampson, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr William O'Brien and Mr A. Cecil Walker.

4 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993 and the draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993, viz.: Mr Nick Ainger, Mr Robert Ainsworth, Mr Michael Alison, Mr Joe Ashton, Mr Jack Aspinwall, Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Simon Burns, Mr A. Cecil Walker.

5 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications (Amendment) Regulations 1993, viz.: Mr Peter Atkinson, Mr Tony Baldry, Mr John Battle, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Eric Clarke, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Terry Dicks, Mr Hugh Dykes, Mr Nigel Forman, Mr George
Foulkes, Mr George Galloway, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr William McKelvey, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr Allan Stewart, Sir Donald Thompson and Mr Neville Trotter.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 67-i] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 68-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Employment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 32-ii] [Mr Greville Janner].

4 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 63-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

5 Foreign Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 37-ii] [Mr David Howell].

6 Home Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 71-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 1st December; to be printed [No. 64-i] [Sir Anthony Durant].

8 Procedure, — (1) First Report from the Procedure Committee [The Select Committee System affecting Northern Ireland];

(2) Second Report from the Procedure Committee [Objections to Private Members' Bills and at other times]; and

(3) Third Report from the Procedure Committee [Budget Procedure];

to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [No. 73] [Sir Peter Emery].

9 Science and Technology, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 74-i] [Sir Giles Shaw].

10 Scottish Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 65] [Mr William McKelvey].

11 Social Security, — (1) First Report from the Social Security Committee [The Operation of The Child Support Act]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 69], and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 1st December;

to be printed [No. 70-i] [Mr Frank Field].

12 Trade and Industry, — (1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 1st December; to be printed [No. 41-ii];

(2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee; to be printed [No. 66]; and

(3) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee [Mr Richard Caborn].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 1st December 1993

1 Constitution of Standing Committees, — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—

(1) the Sunday Trading Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4) to Standing Committee A;

(2) the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993 and the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 1993 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

(3) the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1993 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(4) the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
(5) the draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993 and the draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

(6) the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Michael Shersby and Mr Norman Hogg Chairmen of Standing Committee A in respect of the Sunday Trading Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4);

(2) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993 and the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 1993;

(3) Mrs Ann Winterton Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1993;

(4) Mr Edward O’Hara Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993;

(5) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993 and the draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993;

(6) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993; and

(7) Sir James Kilfedder Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 8441/93, relating to the protection of animals during transport.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Dr John G. Blackburn reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, referred to a Committee on 22nd November. Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 79].

4 Coal Industry Bill,—Mr Secretary Heseltine, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Gummer, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew, Mr Secretary Redwood and Mr Tim Eggar, presented a Bill to provide for the establishment and functions of a body to be known as the Coal Authority; to provide for the restructuring of the coal industry, for transfer of the property, rights and liabilities of the British Coal Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries to other persons and for the dissolution of that Corporation; to abolish the Domestic Coal Consumers’ Council; to make provision for the licensing of coal-mining operations and provision otherwise in relation to the carrying on of such operations; to amend the Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991 and the Opencast Coal Act 1958; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 4].
5 Ways and Means,—Amendment of the Law.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming
the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [30th November], That it is expedient
to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make
further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the
making of any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—
(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply, acquisition or importation;
(b) for refunding any amount of tax;
(c) for varying any rate at which that tax is at any time chargeable; or
(d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of
whatever description;
And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.
And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed tomorrow.

6 Estimates,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to
Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That this House agrees with the Report
[25th November] of the Liaison Committee—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

7 Sittings of the House,—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Friday 17th December, this House
shall not adjourn until the Speaker shall have reported the Royal Assent to any Acts
agreed upon by both Houses.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

8 European Standing Committees,—Ordered, That European Community Documents Nos.
7665/93 and 8012/93 and the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by HM
Treasury on 18th October, 5th and 22nd November 1993, relating to the draft general
budget for 1994, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM
Treasury on 2nd November 1993, relating to a revision of the financial perspective, and
European Community Document No. 7194/93, relating to the internal market, shall not
stand referred to European Standing Committee B.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

9 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Herne Bay and Whitstable against
VAT on bus and coach fares was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be
printed.

10 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten
o'clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Thursday 2nd December 1993
Papers presented or laid upon the Table.

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Employment and Training,—Draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction
Board) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education (Scotland), —Scottish College of Textiles (Scotland) Order of Council 1993 (S.I.,
1993, No. 2969), dated 1st December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Local Government,—Local Government (Compensation for Premature Retirement)
(Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2890), dated 24th November 1993 [by
Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

4 Medicines,—Medicines (Pharmacies) (Applications for Registration and Fees) Amendment
Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2902), dated 25th November 1993 [by Act] [Mrs
Secretary Bottomley].

5 Pensions,—Occupational Pensions (Revaluation) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2904), dated
25th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
6 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Cambridge, on 3rd August 1993, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

7 Criminal Statistics,—Statistics relating to crime and criminal proceedings for 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 2410] [Mr Secretary Howard].

8 Housing,—Report and Accounts of Liverpool Housing Action Trust for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

9 National Audit,—Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on the sale of the British Technology Group [by Act]; to be printed [No. 59] [Clerk of the House].

10 Sex Discrimination (Northern Ireland).,—Report and Accounts of the Equal Opportunities Commission for Northern Ireland for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Paper withdrawn:

11 Employment and Training.—Draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Board) Order 1994 [laid 18th November].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 2nd December; to be printed [No. 80-i] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 National Heritage,—Second Report from the National Heritage Committee [The Future of the BBC], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 77] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

[No. 12.]

Friday 3rd December 1993.

The House met at half-past Nine o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Adjournment (Christmas).,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising on Friday 17th December, do adjourn until Tuesday 11th January—(Mr Irvine Patnick);

And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 22 (Periodic adjournments).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 99.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 5.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising on Friday 17th December, do adjourn until Tuesday 11th January.

4 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
5 Adjournment. — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 6th December.

[Adjourned at 2.33 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Friday 3rd December 1993
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Development of Tourism, — Statement of determination of salary on appointment of a member of the English Tourist Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

2 Miscellaneous (No. 26, 1993), — International Cocoa Agreement 1993, opened for signature at United Nations headquarters, New York, from 16th August 1993 until and including 28th February 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2418] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

3 Miscellaneous (No. 27, 1993), — Declaration, done at Paris on 22nd September 1992 on the co-ordinated extension of jurisdiction in the North Sea [by Command] [Cm. 2425] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

4 Reserve Forces, — Statement by the Secretary of State for Defence under section 11 of the Reserve Forces Act 1980 on the call out of territorial army personnel [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

5 Treaty Series (No. 78, 1993), — Agreement, done at Port of Spain on 23rd July 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cm. 2417] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Water, — Accounts of the National Rivers Authority for —

(1) 1991-92, and

(2) 1992-93,

with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 83 and 84] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Catering, — (1) First Report from the Catering Committee [Refreshment Services for the House of Commons]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 75];

(2) Minutes of Evidence and Appendices taken before the Catering Committee on 20th January, 3rd February, 17th February, 3rd March, 21st April and 5th May 1993, in the last Session of Parliament; to be printed [Nos. 81-i to -vi]; and

(3) Memoranda laid before the Catering Committee in the last session of Parliament [Mr Colin Shepherd].
Monday 6th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and several Papers were withdrawn (see Appendix).

2 Message from the Lords, — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords]. — The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers on the London Docklands Development Corporation for the management and regulation of certain lands and waters within its area, together with other lands and waters; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

3 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords]. — The London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

4 Statutory Instruments, &c., — Ordered, That the Order [30th November], That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., be discharged.

5 Ways and Means, — Amendment of the Law, — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [30th November], That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply, acquisition or importation;
(b) for refunding any amount of tax;
(c) for varying any rate at which tax is at any time chargeable; or
(d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description;

And the Question being again proposed: — The House resumed the adjourned Debate. And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Ordered, That Sir Anthony Durant be discharged from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration and Mr Anthony Coombs be added to the Committee. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

7 Health, — Ordered, That Mrs Jacqui Lait be discharged from the Health Committee and Mr Michael Bates be added to the Committee. — (Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

8 Social Security, — Ordered, That Mr David Willetts be discharged from the Social Security Committee and Mr Bernard Jenkin be added to the Committee. — (Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

9 Transport, — Ordered, That Mr Peter Luff be discharged from the Transport Committee and Mr James Hill be added to the Committee. — (Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

10 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]
APPENDIX
Monday 6th December 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


3 Civil Aviation,—(1) Civil Aviation (Joint Financing) (Fifth Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2975), and
   (2) Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2970),
   dated 1st December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


5 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Prospective Cost) Revocation Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3017), dated 3rd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


Other Papers:

7 Census,—Topic Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland for the 1991 Census on Ethnic Group and Country of Birth for Great Britain [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Family Law,—Paper, entitled Looking to the Future: mediation and the ground for divorce [by Command] [Cm. 2424] [Mr John M. Taylor].

9 Law Commissions,—Report by the Law Commission on contributory negligence as a defence in contract [by Act]; to be printed [No. 9] [Mr John M. Taylor].

10 National Heritage,—Departmental Minute, dated 6th December 1993, concerning a contingent liability relating to the site of the new Royal Armouries Museum in Leeds [by Command] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

11 National Loans Fund,—Accounts relating to issues from the National Loans Fund, 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 82] [Clerk of the House].

12 Water Resources,—Particulars of an appeal by Caldicot and Wentlooge Internal Drainage Board against a resolution of the National Rivers Authority determining the level of precept proposed for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Papers withdrawn:

13 Housing (Scotland),—Accounts of Scottish Homes for 1992-93 [laid 1st December].

14 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 [laid 25th November].
Tuesday 7th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 London Underground (Green Park) Bill, — Mr James Cran reported from the Committee on the London Underground (Green Park) Bill, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and had amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

3 Select Committees, — A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr Norman Hogg reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993 and the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 1993, referred to a Committee on 30th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 88].

5 Income Tax, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Andrew Mitchell):— It was agreed to.

6 Income Tax, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Andrew Mitchell):— It was agreed to.

7 Income Tax, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Andrew Mitchell):— It was agreed to.

8 Income Tax, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Andrew Mitchell):— It was agreed to.

9 Town and Country Planning (Scotland), — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Andrew Mitchell):— It was agreed to.

10 Scottish Grand Committee, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 97 (Matters relating exclusively to Scotland), That the Matter of the economy in Scotland, being a matter relating exclusively to Scotland, be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee for its consideration — (Mr Andrew Mitchell):— It was agreed to.

11 Ways and Means, — Amendment of the Law, — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [30th November], That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—
(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply, acquisition or importation;
(b) for refunding any amount of tax;
(c) for varying any rate at which that tax is at any time chargeable; or
(d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.
And the Question being put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 326.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 291.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Speaker then, pursuant to paragraph (3) of Standing Order No. 50 (Ways and means motions), put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the further Motions, which were made by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Resolved, That—

(1) For the Table of rates of duty in Schedule 1 to the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 there shall be substituted the following Table—

"TABLE OF RATES OF DUTY ON WINE AND MADE-WINE

PART I

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<tr>
<th>Description of wine or made-wine</th>
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<td>Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 3 per cent. but not exceeding 4 per cent.</td>
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<td>Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 5.5 per cent. but not exceeding 15 per cent. and not being sparkling</td>
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<td>Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 15 per cent. but not exceeding 22 per cent.</td>
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(2) This Resolution shall come into force on 1st January 1994.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.
3. Cider (rate)

The Question being put, That—

(1) In section 62(1) of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 for “£22.39” there shall be substituted “£22.82”.

(2) This Resolution shall come into force on 1st January 1994.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 329.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Don Foster, Mr Simon Hughes: 55.

So the Question was agreed to.

4. Tobacco products (rates)

Resolved, That—

(1) For the Table in Schedule 1 to the Tobacco Products Duty Act 1979 there shall be substituted—

"TABLE

1. Cigarettes An amount equal to 20 per cent. of the retail price plus £52.33 per thousand cigarettes.
2. Cigars £77.58 per kilogram.
3. Hand-rolling tobacco £81.86 per kilogram.
4. Other smoking tobacco and chewing tobacco £34.26 per kilogram."

(2) This Resolution shall come into force at 6 o’clock in the evening of 30th November 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

5. Hydrocarbon oil (rates)

The Question being put, That—

(1) In section 6(1) of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979 for “0.3058” and “0.2514” there shall be substituted “0.3314” and “0.2770” respectively.

(2) In section 11(1) of that Act for “0.0105” and “0.0149” there shall be substituted “0.0116” and “£0.0164” respectively.

(3) In section 14(1) of that Act for “0.0105” there shall be substituted “0.0116”.

(4) This Resolution shall come into force at 6 o’clock in the evening of 30th November 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr James Arbuthnot: 323.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alex Salmond, Mr Andrew Welsh: 52.

So the Question was agreed to.

6. Gaming machine licence duty (surrender etc.)

Resolved, That provision may be made amending Part II of Schedule 4 to the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981.

7. Gaming machine licence duty (new licences)

Resolved, That the following provisions shall have effect.

Licences for periods beginning on or after 1st May 1994

1.—(1) The Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981 shall be amended as follows.

(2) For section 21(3) (period of gaming machine licences) there is substituted—

"(3) A gaming machine licence may be granted for a period of a month, or of any number of months not exceeding twelve, beginning on any day of any month".

(3) Section 22(5) (rates of duty) is omitted.

(4) For section 23 (amount of duty) there is substituted—
Amount of duty. 23.—(1) The amount of duty payable on a gaming machine licence shall be—

(a) the appropriate amount for the machine which it authorises, or

(b) if it authorises two or more machines, the aggregate of the appropriate amounts for each of those machines.

(2) The appropriate amount for each machine shall be determined in accordance with the following Table by reference to—

(a) the period for which the licence is granted, and

(b) whether the machine falls within column 2 or column 3 of the Table,

and references in this Part to a rate of gaming machine licence duty are references to the rate in column 2 or the rate in column 3.

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(5) In section 24 (restrictions on number of licences)—

(a) subsection (2),

(b) in subsections (3) and (4), "such", and

(c) in subsection (6)(a), the words from "or" at the end of sub-paragraph (i) to "greater", are omitted.

(6) In section 26 (supplementary provisions), in subsection (4)—

(a) “section 22(5) or” is omitted, and

(b) for “those provisions” there is substituted “that provision”.

(7) In Part II of Schedule 4 (supplementary provisions) for paragraphs 6 and 7 (applications and duration of licences) there is substituted—

“6. An application for a gaming machine licence shall be made to the Commissioners in such form and manner as they may require.

7. The period for which a gaming machine licence is granted shall begin with the day on which application for the licence is received by the Commissioners or, if a later day is specified for that purpose in the application, with that day; and the licence shall expire at the end of that period.”

(8) Paragraphs 9 to 11A of that Schedule (amendment, etc.) shall not apply at any time before 1st May 1994 to any licence in relation to which this paragraph has effect.

(9) This paragraph of this Resolution shall have effect in relation to gaming machine licences granted for any period beginning on or after 1st May 1994.

Special licences

2. No special licence (as defined in section 21(2) of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981) may be granted for any period beginning on or after 1st May 1994.

Seasonal licences

3.—(1) In Part I of Schedule 4 to that Act (exemptions), for paragraph 4 (and the cross-heading preceding it) there shall be substituted—
4.—(1) If at any time during March of any year there has previously been granted a seasonal licence for that year authorising the provision of any number of small-prize machines on any premises and that licence has not been surrendered, it shall be treated for the purposes of this Act as authorising the provision at that time of that number of small-prize machines on the premises.

(2) Where a seasonal licence is granted for any year authorising the provision of any number of small-prize machines on any premises, and the licence is not surrendered, it shall be treated for the purposes of this Act as authorising during October of that year the provision of that number of small-prize machines on the premises.

(3) Subject to sub-paragraph (4) below, in this Schedule "seasonal licence", in relation to any year, means a gaming machine licence expressed to authorise only the provision of small-prize machines on any premises for the period of six months beginning with 1st April in that year.

(4) A licence in respect of any premises is not a seasonal licence in relation to any year if any gaming machine licence has been granted in respect of those premises for any period which includes the whole or any part of the preceding winter period.

(5) If in relation to any year—

(a) a seasonal licence is granted in respect of any premises, and

(b) another gaming machine licence is granted (whether before or after the grant of the seasonal licence or after the surrender of the seasonal licence) in respect of those premises for any period which includes the whole or any part of the following winter period (and does not include the whole or any part of the preceding winter period),

there shall (unless an amount has already become payable under this sub-paragraph in respect of the seasonal licence) be payable on the seasonal licence on the relevant date an additional amount of duty.

(6) The additional amount is the difference between the duty payable (apart from this paragraph) on that licence at the time it was granted and the amount that would have been so payable if the licence had been granted for a period of eight months or, in a case where the seasonal licence has been surrendered before the beginning of September, seven months.

(7) In sub-paragraph (5) above, the "relevant date" means—

(a) the date on which the seasonal licence is granted, or

(b) the date on which the other licence is granted, whichever is the later.

(8) In this paragraph "winter period" means November to February.

2. The references in paragraph 4(4) and (5)(b) of that Schedule (as inserted by this paragraph) to a licence in respect of any premises includes a reference to any special licence in respect of any machine on those premises.

3. Sections 21(3) and 23 of that Act (as inserted by paragraph 1 of this Resolution) shall have effect for the purposes of paragraph 4(6) of that Schedule (as inserted by this paragraph) in relation to gaming machine licences granted for the period of six months beginning with 1st April 1994.

4. This paragraph of this Resolution shall have effect in relation to gaming machine licences granted for any period beginning on or after 1st April 1994.

Provisional statutory effect

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

Resolved, That—

1. The Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 shall be amended as follows.

2. In section 2(1)(b), for "£35" there shall be substituted "£50".

3. In Schedule 1, in Part I, paragraph 4(a) shall be omitted.

4. In Schedule 2—

(a) in Part I, paragraphs 3 and 5 shall be omitted; and

(b) in the second column of the first entry in the Table set out in Part II, for "125" there shall be substituted "130".
(5) In Schedule 4, in the Table set out in paragraph 4(1), there shall be inserted at the end—

| 38,000 | 44,000 | — | — | — | 2,730 | 2,730 | 1,240 |

(6) In Schedule 4, paragraph 6(6)(a), (c) and (d) shall be omitted.

(7) In Schedule 5, in the second column of paragraph 2 in the Table set out in Part II, for “125.00” there shall be substituted “130.00”.

(8) This Resolution shall apply in relation to licences taken out after 30th November 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

9. Vehicles excise duty (general)

Resolved, That provision may be made about vehicles excise duty.

10. Air passenger duty

Resolved, That provision may be made for the imposition of a duty of excise on the carriage of passengers by air from any place in the United Kingdom.

11. Value added tax (repayment supplement)

Resolved, That section 20 of the Finance Act 1985 may be amended.

12. Insurance premium tax

The Question being put, That provision may be made for charging a tax on premiums (including anything treated as a premium) received in respect of insurance contracts;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr James Arbuthnot: 323.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 287.

So the Question was agreed to.

13. Income tax (charge and rates for 1994–95)

Resolved, That—

(1) Income tax shall be charged for the year 1994–95, and for that year—
   (a) the lower rate shall be 20 per cent.,
   (b) the basic rate shall be 25 per cent., and
   (c) the higher rate shall be 40 per cent.

(2) For the year 1994–95 section 1(2) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall apply as if—

   (a) the amount specified in paragraph (aa) were £3,000, and
   (b) the amount specified in paragraph (b) were £23,700;

and accordingly section 1(4) of that Act shall not apply for the year 1994–95.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

14. Income tax (personal allowance)

Resolved, That section 257 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall apply for the year 1994–95 as if the amounts specified in it were the same as the amounts specified in it as it applies for the year 1993–94, and accordingly section 257C(1) of that Act so far as relating to section 257 shall not apply for the year 1994–95.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

15. Married couple's allowance etc.

Resolved, That the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall have effect as follows.

(1) The provisions of section 256 of that Act shall become subsection (1) of that section and after that subsection there shall be inserted the following subsections—

   “(2) Where under any provision of this Chapter the relief to which a person is entitled for any year of assessment consists in an income tax reduction calculated by reference to a specified amount, the effect of that relief shall be that the amount of that person’s
liability for that year to income tax on his total income shall be the amount to which he would have been liable apart from that provision less whichever is the smaller of—

(a) the amount equal to 20 per cent. of the specified amount; and

(b) the amount which reduces his liability to nil.

(3) In determining for the purposes of subsection (2) above the amount of income tax to which a person would be liable apart from any provision providing for an income tax reduction, no account shall be taken—

(a) where that provision is section 259 or 261A, of any income tax reduction under any of the other provisions of this Chapter;

(b) where that provision is section 262(1), of any income tax reduction under any of the other provisions of this Chapter except section 259 or 261A; or

(c) whatever that provision—

(i) of any relief by way of a reduction of liability to tax which is given in accordance with any arrangements having effect by virtue of section 788 or by way of a credit under section 790(1); or

(ii) of any tax at the basic rate on so much of that person's income as is income the income tax on which he is entitled to charge against any other person or to deduct, retain or satisfy out of any payment;

but paragraph (a) above, so far as it relates to any income tax reduction under section 261A, is without prejudice to the provisions of subsection (2) of that section.”

(2) In section 257A of that Act—

(a) in subsection (1), for the words from “to a deduction” onwards there shall be substituted “for that year to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to £1,720”;

(b) in subsection (2), for the words from “to a deduction” to “the deduction” there shall be substituted “for that year to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to £2,665 (instead of to the reduction”;

(c) in subsection (3), for the words from “to a deduction” to “the deduction” there shall be substituted “for that year to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to £2,705 (instead of to the reduction”;

(d) in subsection (6), for “deduction” there shall be substituted “income tax reduction”.

(3) In subsections (1) and (2) of section 257BA of that Act—

(a) for the words “to deduct from her total income”, in each place where they occur, there shall be substituted “to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to”;

(b) for the words “that he is entitled to deduct under section 257A”, in each place where they occur, there shall be substituted “by reference to which the calculation of the income tax reduction to which he is entitled under section 257A is to be made”.

(4) In subsection (3) of section 257BA of that Act—

(a) for “to deduct from his total income” there shall be substituted “to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to”;

(b) for “the amount, if any, that he is already entitled to deduct” there shall be substituted “any income tax reduction to which he is already entitled”; and

(c) for “that she is entitled to deduct by virtue of that election” there shall be substituted “by reference to which the calculation of the income tax reduction to which she is entitled by virtue of that election is to be made”.

(5) Any election made for the purposes of section 257BA of that Act before 6th April 1994 which, apart from this Resolution, would have effect in accordance with that section for the year 1994-95 shall so have effect as if it were an election for the purposes of that section as amended by this Resolution.

(6) In subsection (1) of section 257BB of that Act, for paragraph (b) and the words after that paragraph there shall be substituted—

“(b) the amount of the reduction to which he is entitled is determined in accordance with section 256(2)(b) or, by virtue of his having no income tax liability to which that reduction is applicable, is nil,

his wife shall be entitled (in addition to any reduction to which she is entitled by virtue of an election under section 257BA) to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to an amount equal to the unused part of the amount by reference to which her husband's income tax reduction fell to be calculated in pursuance of section 257A and any election under section 257BA.”
(7) In subsection (3) of section 257BB of that Act, for paragraph (b) and the words after that paragraph there shall be substituted—

“(b) the amount of the reduction to which she is entitled is determined in accordance with section 256(2)(b) or, by virtue of her having no income tax liability to which that reduction is applicable, is nil,

her husband shall be entitled (in addition to any other reduction to which he is entitled by virtue of section 257A) to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to an amount equal to the unused part of the amount by reference to which his wife’s income tax reduction fell to be calculated in pursuance of that election.”;

and after that subsection there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(3A) In this section references, in relation to such an amount as is mentioned in subsection (1)(b) or (3)(b), to the unused part of an amount by reference to which any income tax reduction fell to be calculated are references to so much of it (including, where the amount so mentioned is nil, all of it) as has no practical effect on the determination of the amount so mentioned.”

(8) Subsection (6) of section 257BB of that Act shall cease to have effect.

(9) Where the year in question for the purposes of subsection (5) of section 257D of that Act is the year 1994-95, deductions by virtue of any of sections 257A to 262 of that Act shall be disregarded in determining the deductions which a wife is taken for the purposes of paragraph (c) of that subsection to have been entitled to make from her total income for the year immediately preceding the year in question.

(10) In section 257D(5)(d) of that Act, the words “section 257A and” shall be omitted.

(11) In section 257F(c) of that Act, after “257A” there shall be inserted “or, as the case may be, an income tax reduction under that section”.

(12) In subsection (1)(b) of section 259 of that Act, for “to a deduction from his total income” there shall be substituted “to an income tax reduction”.

(13) In section 259(2) of that Act, for “to a deduction from his total income of” there shall be substituted “for that year to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to”.

(14) In subsection (3) of section 259 of that Act, for “deduction” there shall be substituted “income tax reduction”.

(15) In subsection (4A) of section 259 of that Act—

(a) for the words “a deduction”, in the first and third places where they occur, there shall be substituted “an income tax reduction”; and

(b) for the words “a deduction”, in the second place where they occur, there shall be substituted “a reduction”.

(16) In subsection (1)(b) of section 260 of that Act, for the words from “the deduction” to “equal” there shall be substituted “the income tax reduction to which each of them is entitled under that section shall be calculated, subject to subsection (2) below, by reference”.

(17) In subsection (2) of section 260 of that Act, for the words from “the deduction” to “equal” there shall be substituted “the income tax reduction to which he is entitled for that year under section 259 shall be calculated by reference”.

(18) In section 261A(1) of that Act, for “to a deduction from his total income of” there shall be substituted “for that year to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to”.

(19) In subsection (1) of section 262 of that Act—

(a) in paragraph (a), for “to a deduction from her total income of” there shall be substituted “to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to”; and

(b) in paragraph (b), for “to a deduction of” there shall be substituted “to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to”.

(20) In section 265(3)(b) of that Act, the words from “section 257A” to “or under” shall be omitted.

(21) In section 276 of that Act, after subsection (1) there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(1A) In subsection (1) above the references to relief under this Chapter do not include references to relief consisting in such an income tax reduction as is mentioned in section 256(2) above.”

(22) This Resolution shall apply for the year 1994-95; and section 257C(1) of that Act, so far as relating to section 257A(1) to (3) of that Act, shall not apply for the year 1994-95.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.
16. Amount by reference to which married couple's allowance is reduced

Resolved, That section 257A(5) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall apply for the year 1994-95 as if the amount specified in it were the same as the amount specified in it as it applies for the year 1993-94, and accordingly section 257C(1) of that Act so far as relating to section 257A(5) shall not apply for the year 1994-95.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

17. Relief for maintenance payments etc.

Resolved, That sections 347A and 347B of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 and section 38 of the Finance Act 1988 shall have effect in relation to payments becoming due on or after 6th April 1994 with the following modifications.

(1) Section 347A shall apply to any payment made—

(a) in pursuance of any obligation which falls within paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (4) of section 36 of the Finance Act 1988 and is an obligation under an order made by a court, a written or oral agreement or a deed executed for giving effect to an agreement, and

(b) for the benefit, maintenance or education of a person (whether or not the person to whom the payment is made) who attained the age of 21 on or before the day on which the payment became due but after 5th April 1994,

as if that obligation were not an existing obligation within the definition contained in that subsection.

(2) In subsection (2) of section 347B—

(a) the words "Notwithstanding section 347A(1)(a) but " shall be omitted; and

(b) for the words from "in computing" to "to deduct" there shall be substituted "for a year of assessment to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to".

(3) In subsection (3) of section 347B, for the words from the beginning to "exceed" there shall be substituted "The amount by reference to which any income tax reduction is to be calculated under this section shall be limited to".

(4) In subsection (5) of section 347B, for "otherwise than under this section" there shall be substituted "by virtue of section 36(3) of the Finance Act 1988 but otherwise than in accordance with section 38(2)(a) of that Act".

(5) After subsection (5) of section 347B there shall be inserted the following subsections—

"(5A) Where any person is entitled under this section for any year of assessment to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to the amount determined in accordance with subsections (2) to (5) above ("the relevant amount"), the amount of that person's liability for that year to income tax on his total income shall be the amount to which he would have been liable apart from this section less whichever is the smaller of—

(a) the amount equal to the appropriate percentage of the relevant amount; and

(b) the amount which reduces his liability to nil;

and in this subsection 'the appropriate percentage' means 20 per cent.

(5B) In determining for the purposes of subsection (5A) above the amount of income tax to which a person would be liable apart from any income tax reduction under this section, no account shall be taken of—

(a) any income tax reduction under Chapter I of Part VII;

(b) any relief by way of a reduction of liability to tax which is given in accordance with any arrangements having effect by virtue of section 788 or by way of a credit under section 790(1); or

(c) any tax at the basic rate on so much of that person's income as is income the income tax on which he is entitled to charge against any other person or to deduct, retain or satisfy out of any payment."

(6) In subsection (3) of section 38, for the words from the word "aggregate", in the first place where it occurs, to "exceed" there shall be substituted "amount (if any) by which the relevant aggregate exceeds the amount specified in section 257A(1) of the Taxes Act 1988 for the year; and in this subsection and subsection (3A) below 'the relevant aggregate' means whichever is the smaller of the following, that is to say, the aggregate amount of the payments made by him which fall due in that year and to which this section applies and".

(7) After subsection (3) of section 38 there shall be inserted the following subsection—
“(3A) Sections 347A and 347B of the Taxes Act 1988 (except, in the case of section 347A, so far as it restricts the extent to which any payment is to be treated as forming part of the income of the person to whom it is made or any other person) shall have effect as if so much of the relevant aggregate for any year of assessment as does not exceed the amount specified for that year in section 257A(1) of that Act were a qualifying maintenance payment made otherwise than in pursuance of an existing obligation.”

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

18. Relief for blind persons

Resolved, That—

(1) In section 265(1) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 for “£1,080” there shall be substituted “£1,200”.

(2) This Resolution shall apply for the year 1994–95.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

19. Relief for interest (limit for 1994–95)

Resolved, That, for the year 1994–95, the qualifying maximum defined in section 367(5) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall be £30,000.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

20. Relief for interest (new basis)

Resolved, That—

(1) For subsection (1) of section 353 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 there shall be substituted the following subsection—

“(1) Where a person pays interest in any year of assessment, that person, if he makes a claim to the relief, shall for that year of assessment be entitled (subject to sections 354 to 368) to relief in accordance with this section in respect of so much (if any) of the amount of that interest as is eligible for relief under this section by virtue of sections 354 to 365.”

(2) After that subsection there shall be inserted the following subsections—

“(1A) Where a person is entitled for any year of assessment to relief under this section in respect of any amount of interest which—

(a) is eligible for that relief by virtue of section 354 or 365, and

(b) so far as eligible by virtue of section 354, is so eligible in a case which falls, or is treated as falling, within section 355(1)(a), 356 or 358,

that relief shall consist in an income tax reduction for that year calculated by reference to that amount.

(1B) Where a person is entitled for any year of assessment to relief under this section in respect of any amount of interest which—

(a) is eligible for that relief otherwise than by virtue of section 354 or 365, or

(b) is eligible for that relief by virtue of section 354 in a case falling within section 355(1)(b),

that relief shall consist (subject to sections 237(5)(b) and 355(4)) in a deduction or set-off of that amount from or against that person’s income for that year.

(1C) Without prejudice to subsection (1E) below, where the whole or any part of an amount of interest is eligible for relief under this section by virtue of section 354 in a case which (apart from this subsection) would fall, or be treated as falling, within both section 355(1)(a) or 356 and section 355(1)(b), then that case shall be treated for the purposes of this section and the following provisions of this Act—

(a) except in relation to payments to which an election made for the purposes of this subsection by the person entitled to the relief applies, as falling within section 355(1)(b) and not within section 355(1)(a) or 356; and

(b) in relation to payments to which such an election does apply, as falling within section 355(1)(a) or, as the case may be, 356, and not within section 355(1)(b).

(1D) An election for the purposes of subsection (1C)—

(a) shall be made, and may be withdrawn, by the giving of written notice to an officer of the Board;
(b) shall apply to every payment of interest which—
   (i) is made after the time specified in the notice of that election as the time as from which it takes effect; and
   (ii) is not made after a time specified in a notice of the withdrawal of that election as the time as from which that election is withdrawn;
   (c) shall not be made so as to take effect as from any time except the beginning of a year of assessment or a time as from which the conditions for the case to fall, or be treated as falling, within both section 355(1)(a) or 356 and section 355(1)(b) have begun to be satisfied in relation to payments of interest on the loan in question;
   (d) shall not be withdrawn except as from the beginning of a year of assessment; and
   (e) shall not be made so as to take effect, and shall not be withdrawn, as from any time before the beginning of the year of assessment immediately before that in which the notice of the election or, as the case may be, of the withdrawal is given to an officer of the Board.

(1E) Where any person is entitled for any year of assessment to relief under this section in respect of any amount of interest which is eligible for that relief partly as mentioned in subsection (1A) above and partly as mentioned in subsection (1B) above, that amount of interest shall be apportioned between the cases to which each of those subsections applies without regard to what parts of the total amount borrowed remain outstanding but according to the following factors, that is to say—
   (a) the proportions of the total amount borrowed which were applied for different purposes; and
   (b) in the case of so much of any amount of interest which is, or in pursuance of an apportionment under paragraph (a) above is treated as, eligible for relief by virtue of section 354, the different uses to which the land or other property in question is put from time to time;

and subsection (1A) or (1B) above shall apply accordingly in relation to the interest apportioned to the case to which that subsection applies.

(1F) Where any person is entitled under this section for any year of assessment to an income tax reduction calculated by reference to an amount of interest, the amount of that person's liability for that year to income tax on his total income shall be the amount to which he would have been liable apart from this section less whichever is the smaller of—
   (a) the amount equal to the applicable percentage of that amount of interest; and
   (b) the amount which reduces his liability to nil.

(1G) In subsection (1F) above 'the applicable percentage'—
   (a) in relation to so much of any interest as is eligible for relief under this section by virtue of section 354, means 20 per cent.; and
   (b) in relation to so much of any interest as is eligible for relief under this section by virtue of section 365, means the percentage which is the basic rate for the year of assessment in question.

(1H) In determining for the purposes of subsection (1F) above the amount of income tax to which a person would be liable apart from any income tax reduction under this section, no account shall be taken of—
   (a) any income tax reduction under Chapter I of Part VII or section 347B;
   (b) any relief by way of a reduction of liability to tax which is given in accordance with any arrangements having effect by virtue of section 788 or by way of a credit under section 790(1); or
   (c) any tax at the basic rate on so much of that person's income as is income the income tax on which he is entitled to charge against any other person or to deduct, retain or satisfy out of any payment."

(3) Subsections (4) and (5) of section 353 of that Act shall cease to have effect.

(4) In section 355(4) of that Act—
   (a) for the words from "where" to "but" there shall be substituted "falling within subsection (1)(b) above shall be given only against income from the letting of any land, caravan or house-boat (whether or not the land, caravan or house-boat in question), but"; and
   (b) for the words "the first-mentioned land, caravan or house-boat" there shall be substituted "the land, caravan or house-boat in question".
(5) In section 356(1) of that Act, for “Section 355(1)” there shall be substituted “Section 355(1)(a)”.  

(6) In section 356A(3) of that Act, after “is”, in the second place where it occurs, there shall be inserted “or for section 353(1C)(a) would be”.

(7) In sections 356D(1) and 357(1) of that Act, for “eligible for relief under section 353 by virtue of section 355(1)(a) or 356(1)” there shall, in each case, be substituted “, in a case falling or treated as falling within section 355(1)(a), 356 or 358, eligible for relief under section 353 by virtue of section 354”.

(8) In sections 357A(7) and 357B(1)(c) and (6) of that Act, for “by virtue of section 355(1)(a) or 356(1)” there shall, in each case, be substituted “and is such that the conditions for the case to fall, or be treated as falling, within section 355(1)(a), 356 or 358 are satisfied”.

(9) In section 357C(1)(e) of that Act, for “by virtue of section 355(1)(a) or 356(1)” there shall be substituted “and would have been such that the conditions for the case to fall, or be treated as falling, within section 355(1)(a), 356 or 358 were satisfied”.

(10) In section 357C(2) of that Act, for “by virtue of section 355(1)(a) or 356(1)” there shall be substituted “and was such that the conditions for the case to fall, or be treated as falling, within section 355(1)(a), 356 or 358 were satisfied”.

(11) In section 358 of that Act, after subsection (4) there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(4A) References in this Act to a case falling within this section shall not include references to a case falling within section 355(1)(b) where the interest paid by the personal representatives or trustees is eligible for relief under section 353 apart from the assumptions for which subsection (3) above provides.”

(12) In section 368(1) of that Act, for “for any other purpose of the Income Tax Acts” there shall be substituted “for any purpose of the Income Tax Acts except so far as it is so allowable in accordance with subsection (1B) of that section.”

(13) In subsection (1) of section 369 of that Act, for the words from “income tax” onwards there shall be substituted “the applicable percentage thereof,” and after that subsection there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(1A) In subsection (1) above ‘the applicable percentage’—

(a) in relation to so much of any payment of relevant loan interest as is not a payment in relation to which paragraph (b) below has effect, means 20 per cent.; and

(b) in relation to so much of any payment as—

(i) has become due before 6th April 1994; or

(ii) being a payment becoming due on or after 6th April 1994, would, apart from section 353(2), be eligible for relief under section 353 by virtue of section 365,

means the percentage which is the basic rate for the year of assessment in which the payment has become or becomes due.”

(14) For subsections (3) to (5B) of section 369 of that Act there shall be substituted the following subsection—

“(3) The following payments, that is to say—

(a) payments of relevant loan interest to which this section applies, and

(b) payments which would be such payments but for section 373(5),

shall not be allowable as deductions for any purpose of the Income Tax Acts except in so far as they fall to be treated as such payments by virtue only of section 375(2) and would be allowable apart from this subsection.”

(15) In section 370 of that Act—

(a) in subsection (2), after “section 353(2)” there shall be inserted “and any other provision applying to interest falling to be treated as relevant loan interest”; and

(b) after subsection (6) there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(6A) In disregarding section 353(2) for the purposes of subsection (2)(c) above, section 353(1C) and (1D) shall apply for determining whether or not the condition in section 355(1) or 356(1) is fulfilled as (but for section 353(2)) they would apply for the purpose of determining whether or not the case falls, or is treated as falling, within section 355(1)(a) or 356.”

(16) In section 375(3) of that Act, for the words from “entitles” to “been allowed” there shall be substituted “shall be taken as regards the borrower as entitling him to any deduction or to retain any amount deducted and, accordingly, where any amount that has been deducted exceeds the amount which ought to have been deducted”.
(17) Subsection (7) of section 57 of the Finance Act 1993 shall cease to have effect.

(18) This Resolution—
(a) shall have effect in relation to payments of interest made on or after 6th April 1994 (whenever falling due); and
(b) shall also have effect, so far as it relates to relevant loan interest, in relation to any payments of interest becoming due on or after 6th April 1994 which have been made at any time before that date but on or after 30th November 1993;

and in this paragraph “relevant loan interest” has the same meaning as in Part IX of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

And it hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

21. Corporation tax (charge and rate for financial year 1994)

Resolved, That corporation tax shall be charged for the financial year 1994 at the rate of 33 per cent.

22. Corporation tax (small companies: 1994)

Resolved, That for the financial year 1994—
(a) the small companies' rate shall be 25 per cent., and
(b) the fraction mentioned in section 13(2) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall be one fiftieth.

23. Benefits in kind (car fuel)

Resolved, That, for the year 1994–95, section 158 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall have effect with the substitution of the following for the Tables in subsection (2)—

| TABLE A |
| Cylinder capacity of car in cubic centimetres | Cash equivalent |
| 1,400 or less | £640 |
| More than 1,400 but not more than 2,000 | £810 |
| More than 2,000 | £1,200 |

| TABLE AB |
| Cylinder capacity of car in cubic centimetres | Cash equivalent |
| 2,000 or less | £580 |
| More than 2,000 | £750 |

| TABLE B |
| Description of car | Cash equivalent |
| Any car | £1,200* |

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

24. Benefits in kind (beneficial loan arrangements)

Resolved, That charges to income tax may be imposed in respect of loans made by reason of a person’s employment.

25. Non-cash vouchers, credit-tokens and cash vouchers

Resolved, That provision may be made about non-cash vouchers, credit-tokens and cash vouchers.

26. PAYE (extension of scope)

Resolved, That charges may be imposed by—
(a) provisions relating to regulations under section 203 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988, and
(b) provisions connected with the provisions mentioned in paragraph (a).

27. Private medical insurance

Resolved, That provision may be made about private medical insurance.

28. Medical insurance (reduction of relief)

Resolved, That—

(1) Section 54 of the Finance Act 1989 shall be amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (3) for the words from “it shall be deducted” to the end of the subsection there shall be substituted “the individual shall be entitled to relief under this subsection in respect of the payment; and (except where subsections (4) to (6) below apply) relief under this subsection shall be given—

(a) in accordance with subsections (3A) to (3C) below, and

(b) only on a claim made for the purpose.”

(3) The following subsections shall be inserted after subsection (3)—

“(3A) Where an individual is entitled to relief under subsection (3) above in respect of one or more payments made in a given year of assessment, the amount of his liability for that year of assessment to income tax on his total income shall be the amount to which he would be liable apart from this section less whichever is the smaller of—

(a) the amount found under subsection (3B) below, and

(b) the amount which reduces his liability to nil.

(3B) The amount referred to in subsection (3A)(a) above is an amount found by—

(a) taking the amount of the payment referred to in subsection (3A) above or (as the case may be) the aggregate amount of the payments there referred to, and

(b) finding an amount equal to tax on the amount taken under paragraph (a) above at the basic rate for the year of assessment concerned.

(3C) In determining for the purposes of subsection (3A) above the amount of income tax to which a person would be liable apart from this section, no account shall be taken of—

(a) any income tax reduction under Chapter I of Part VII of the Taxes Act 1988 or under section 347B of that Act;

(b) any income tax reduction under section 353(1A) of the Taxes Act 1988;

(c) any relief by way of a reduction of liability to tax which is given in accordance with any arrangements having effect by virtue of section 788 of the Taxes Act 1988 or by way of a credit under section 790(1) of that Act;

(d) any tax at the basic rate on so much of that person’s income as is income the income tax on which he is entitled to charge against any other person or to deduct, retain or satisfy out of any payment.”

(4) This Resolution shall apply in relation to payments made on or after 6th April 1994.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

29. Medical insurance (surviving spouse)

Resolved, That—

(1) In section 54 of the Finance Act 1989 the following subsection shall be inserted after subsection (2)—

“(2A) In a case where—

(a) a payment is made in respect of a premium under a contract at a time when the contract meets the requirement in subsection (2) above by virtue of paragraph (c) of that subsection, and

(b) a payment is made under the same contract at a time after one of the individuals has died and when the contract does not (apart from this subsection) meet the requirement in subsection (2) above by virtue only of the fact that the surviving spouse is not aged 60 or over at the time, for the purposes of subsection (2) above in its application to the contract the surviving spouse shall be deemed to be aged 60 or over at the time mentioned in paragraph (b) above.”
(2) This Resolution shall apply where the first or only payment to be made in respect of a premium under the contract after the death occurs is made on or after 6th April 1994.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

30. Profit sharing schemes

Resolved, That—

(1) Schedule 10 to the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall be amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 3 the words from “In this paragraph” to the end of the paragraph shall be omitted.

(3) The following paragraph shall be inserted after paragraph 3—

“3A.—(1) In paragraph 3 above the reference to the relevant age shall be construed as follows.

(2) Where the scheme is approved before 25th July 1991 and the event occurs before 30th November 1993, the relevant age is pensionable age.

(3) Where—

(a) the scheme is approved before 25th July 1991,

(b) the event occurs on or after 30th November 1993,

(c) the scheme defines the period of retention by reference to the age of 60 for both men and women, and

(d) the reference to that age is incorporated in the definition by virtue of an alteration approved by the Board under paragraph 4 of Schedule 9 before the event occurs,

the relevant age is 60.

(4) Where—

(a) the scheme is approved before 25th July 1991,

(b) the event occurs on or after 30th November 1993, and

(c) sub-paragraph (3) above does not apply,

the relevant age is pensionable age.

(5) Where the scheme is approved on or after 25th July 1991, the relevant age is the specified age.”

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

31. Profit-related pay (the distributable pool)

Resolved, That—

(1) Schedule 8 to the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall be amended as follows.

(2) After paragraph 13 there shall be inserted—

“13A.—(1) Where a scheme includes provision by virtue of paragraph 13(4) or (5) above the scheme must be so framed that in arriving at the profits for the base year or for the previous profit period any profit-related pay and any secondary Class I contributions in respect of it are accorded the same accountancy treatment as is accorded to any profit-related pay and any secondary Class I contributions in respect of it in arriving at the profits in the profit period.

(2) In sub-paragraph (1) above—

(a) “profit-related pay” means profit-related pay under whatever scheme;


(3) Sub-paragraph (1) above shall apply notwithstanding anything in paragraph 19 below.

(4) Where a scheme includes provision by virtue of paragraph 13(4) above the scheme must also include provision that if the pay for the profit period is less than the pay for the base year or for the previous profit period (as the case may be) the percentage to be applied
for the purposes of the provision included by virtue of paragraph 13(4) above shall be the increased percentage (instead of any other percentage).

(5) The increased percentage must be one arrived at by—

(a) taking the percentage that would be applied for the purposes of the provision included by virtue of paragraph 13(4) above apart from the provision included by virtue of sub-paragraph (4) above, and

(b) adding the percentage found by expressing the difference in pay as a percentage of the profits for the base year or for the previous profit period (as the case may be).

(6) For the purposes of this paragraph—

(a) the pay for the profit period or for the previous profit period or for the base year is the pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the period or year concerned in the employment unit concerned;

(b) the difference in pay is the difference between the pay for the profit period and the pay for the previous profit period or for the base year (as the case may be);

and any profit-related pay shall be ignored in applying paragraph (a) above.”

(3) After paragraph 14 there shall be inserted—

“14A. (1) Where a scheme includes provision to give effect to paragraph 14(3) above or provision by virtue of paragraph 14(4) above the scheme must be so framed that in arriving at the profits in the preceding period of 12 months any profit-related pay and any secondary Class I contributions in respect of it are accorded the same accountancy treatment as is accorded to any profit-related pay and any secondary Class I contributions in respect of it in arriving at the profits in the profit period.

(2) Where a scheme includes provision by virtue of paragraph 14(5) above the scheme must be so framed that in arriving at the profits in the relevant period of 12 months any profit-related pay and any secondary Class I contributions in respect of it are accorded the same accountancy treatment as is accorded to any profit-related pay and any secondary Class I contributions in respect of it in arriving at the profits in the profit period; and for this purpose the relevant period of 12 months is the period of 12 months immediately preceding the first or only profit period to which the scheme relates.

(3) In sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) above—

(a) “profit-related pay” means profit-related pay under whatever scheme;


(4) Sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) above shall apply notwithstanding anything in paragraph 19 below.

(5) Where a scheme includes provision by virtue of paragraph 14(4) above the scheme must also include provision that if the pay for the profit period is less than the pay for the preceding period of 12 months the percentage to be applied for the purposes of the provision included by virtue of paragraph 14(4) above shall be the increased percentage (instead of any other percentage).

(6) The increased percentage must be one arrived at by—

(a) taking the percentage that would be applied for the purposes of the provision included by virtue of paragraph 14(4) above apart from the provision included by virtue of sub-paragraph (5) above, and

(b) adding the percentage found by expressing the difference in pay as a percentage of the profits in the preceding period of 12 months.

(7) For the purposes of this paragraph—

(a) the pay for the profit period or for the preceding period of 12 months is the pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the period concerned in the employment unit concerned;

(b) the difference in pay is the difference between the pay for the profit period and the pay for the preceding period of 12 months;

and any profit-related pay shall be ignored in applying paragraph (a) above.”

(4) This Resolution shall have effect in relation to any scheme not registered before 1st December 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.
Resolved, That—

(1) Schedule 8 to the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall be amended by inserting the following paragraphs after paragraph 22—

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23. (1) In a case where—
   (a) paragraph 21 above applies to a scheme, and
   (b) method A (specified in paragraph 13 above) is employed for the purposes of the scheme,
   the scheme must contain provisions which comply with this paragraph and which apply as regards each profit period to which the scheme relates.

   (2) The scheme must ensure that no payments are made under it by reference to a given profit period if the percentage mentioned in paragraph 13(1) above exceeds the permitted percentage.

   (3) The scheme must ensure that the permitted percentage is a percentage found by—
      (a) taking the pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment unit to which the other scheme mentioned in paragraph 22(1)(a) above relates or (if there are two or more other schemes) the aggregate of the pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment units to which the other schemes relate;
      (b) taking the profit-related pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment unit to which the other scheme mentioned in paragraph 22(1)(a) above relates or (if there are two or more other schemes) the aggregate of the profit-related pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment units to which the other schemes relate;
      (c) taking the fraction whose denominator is equal to the number of whole pounds found under paragraph (a) above and whose numerator is equal to the number of whole pounds found under paragraph (b) above;
      (d) multiplying the amount found under paragraph (c) above by the fraction found under paragraph (d) above;
      (e) taking the profits for the relevant year of the undertaking mentioned in paragraph 21 above;
      (f) expressing the amount found under paragraph (e) above as a percentage of the amount found under paragraph (f) above;
      (g) expressing the amount found under paragraph (e) above as a percentage of the amount found under paragraph (f) above;
      (h) taking the percentage found under paragraph (g) above as the permitted percentage.

   (4) The scheme must ensure that the relevant year is a period of 12 months identified in the scheme and ending at a time within the period of two years immediately preceding the given profit period.

24. (1) In a case where—
      (a) paragraph 21 above applies to a scheme, and
      (b) method B (specified in paragraph 14 above) is employed for the purposes of the scheme,
      the scheme must contain provisions which comply with this paragraph and which apply as regards each profit period to which the scheme relates.

   (2) The scheme must ensure that no payments are made under it by reference to the first or only profit period to which the scheme relates if the notional pool mentioned in paragraph 14(1)(a) above exceeds the permitted limit.

   (3) The scheme must also ensure that no payments are made under it by reference to a given profit period other than the first if the distributable pool for the previous profit period (mentioned in paragraph 14(1)(b) above) exceeds the permitted limit.

   (4) The scheme must ensure that the permitted limit is a limit found by—
      (a) taking the pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment unit to which the other scheme mentioned in paragraph 22(1)(a) above relates or (if there are two or more other schemes) the aggregate of the pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment units to which the other schemes relate;
      (b) taking the profit-related pay paid to employees in respect of employment in
the relevant year in the employment unit to which the other scheme mentioned in paragraph 22(1)(a) above relates or (if there are two or more other schemes) the aggregate of the profit-related pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment units to which the other schemes relate;

(c) taking the pay paid to employees in respect of employment in the relevant year in the employment unit to which the scheme mentioned in paragraph 21 above relates;

(d) taking the fraction whose denominator is equal to the number of whole pounds found under paragraph (a) above and whose numerator is equal to the number of whole pounds found under paragraph (b) above;

(e) multiplying the amount found under paragraph (c) above by the fraction found under paragraph (d) above;

(f) taking the amount found under paragraph (e) above as the permitted limit.

(5) The scheme must ensure that the relevant year is—

(a) a period of 12 months identified in the scheme and ending at a time within the period of two years immediately preceding the first or only profit period to which the scheme relates (in the case of provisions contained in the scheme by virtue of sub-paragraph (2) above);

(b) a period of 12 months identified in the scheme and ending at a time within the period of two years immediately preceding the given profit period (in the case of provisions contained in the scheme by virtue of sub-paragraph (3) above).  

(2) This Resolution shall have effect in relation to any scheme not registered before 1st December 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

33. Vocational training

Resolved, That, in relation to payments made on or after 1st January 1994, section 32 of the Finance Act 1991 shall have effect with the following amendments.

(1) In subsection (1), after paragraph (c) there shall be inserted the following paragraphs—

"(ca) the individual has attained school-leaving age and, if under the age of nineteen, is not a person who is being provided with full-time education at a school,

(cb) the individual undertakes the course neither wholly nor mainly for recreational purposes or as a leisure activity,".

(2) In subsection (10), the words after paragraph (b) shall be omitted.

(3) After subsection (10) there shall be inserted the following subsection—

"(11) In this section—

‘school’ means any institution at which full-time education is provided to persons at least some of whom are under school-leaving age; and

‘school-leaving age’ means the age of sixteen."

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

34. Retirement benefits schemes (general)

Resolved, That provision may be made about retirement benefits schemes (including provision imposing liability on persons for tax due from others, whenever falling due).

35. Retirement benefits schemes (annuities)

Resolved, That provision may be made about annuities acquired with funds held for the purposes of retirement benefits schemes.

36. Assessment under Schedule D

Resolved, That charges may be imposed by—

(a) provisions changing the basis of assessment under each of Cases I to VI of Schedule D;

(b) provisions connected with provisions mentioned in paragraph (a) above.
37. Partnerships and successions

Resolved, That charges may be imposed by provisions about partnerships and the effect of changes in the ownership of trades, professions and vocations.

38. Dividends

Resolved, That provision may be made about dividends.

39. Manufactured payments

Resolved, That provision may be made about amounts representative of dividends or interest.

40. Sale and repurchase of securities

Resolved, That provision may be made about the sale and repurchase of securities.

41. Premiums referred to pension business

Resolved, That provision may be made about premiums to be referred to pension business.

42. Authorised unit trusts

Resolved, That provision may be made amending Chapter III of Part XII of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

43. Double taxation relief (regulations)

Resolved, That provision may be made empowering regulations to extinguish or limit entitlement to relief under Part XVIII of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

44. Restriction on deduction from income

Resolved, That section 808 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 may be amended.

45. Non-resident companies

Resolved, That provision may be made about companies regarded for the purposes of double taxation relief arrangements as resident outside the United Kingdom.

46. Controlled foreign companies

Resolved, That provision may be made amending Schedule 25 to the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

47. Exchange gains and losses

Resolved, That Chapter II of Part II of the Finance Act 1993 may be amended.

48. Interest rate and currency contracts and options

Resolved, That charges (including charges by reference to existing contracts and options) may be imposed by—

(a) provisions about interest rate contracts and options and currency contracts and options;

(b) provisions connected with provisions mentioned in paragraph (a) above.

49. Lloyd's underwriters

Resolved, That provision (including provision having retrospective effect) may be made about Lloyd's underwriters.

50. Corporation tax (non-payment)

Resolved, That, in relation to cases in which, following a change in the ownership of a company, corporation tax for an accounting period of the company beginning before the change is unpaid, provision may be made for the payment of the unpaid tax by other persons.

51. Chargeable gains (annual exempt amount)

Resolved, That provision may be made as to the operation of section 3 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 for the year 1994-95.
52. Chargeable gains (indexation allowance)

Resolved, That for the purposes of the taxation of chargeable gains provision may be made about indexation allowance.

53. Chargeable gains (options and futures)

Resolved, That provision may be made in relation to options and commodity and financial futures contracts.

54. Capital allowances (machinery and plant)

Resolved, That provision (including provision having retrospective effect) may be made about capital allowances in respect of machinery and plant.

55. Capital allowances (change of periods and methods)

Resolved, That charges may be imposed by—

(a) provisions changing the periods in respect of which, and the methods by which, effect is given to the provisions of the Capital Allowances Act 1990;

(b) provisions connected with provisions mentioned in paragraph (a) above.

56. Loss relief

Resolved, That charges may be imposed by—

(a) provisions amending Chapter I of Part X of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988;

(b) provisions connected with provisions mentioned in paragraph (a) above.

57. Railways

Resolved, That provision may be made in connection with transfers and other disposals under or by virtue of the Railways Act 1993.

58. Expenditure involving crime

Resolved, That provision may be made preventing expenditure being deducted, or included in expenses of management, if incurred in making a payment induced by blackmail or extortion.

59. Petroleum revenue tax (abortive exploration expenditure)

Resolved, That provision may be made amending section 5 of the Oil Taxation Act 1975 with effect from the time of royal assent to the Finance Act 1993.

60. Petroleum revenue tax (transfer of assets)

Resolved, That provision may be made about the treatment for the purposes of petroleum revenue tax of certain disposals, within the meaning of paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 to the Oil Taxation Act 1983, of assets which, in relation to a participator in an oil field, are qualifying assets for the purposes of that Act.

61. Valuation of oil, including gas

Resolved, That, for the purposes of corporation tax and petroleum revenue tax, provision may be made with respect to the valuation of oil, including gas.

62. Inheritance tax (indexation of rate bands)

Resolved, That provision may be made as to the operation of section 8(1) of the Inheritance Tax Act 1984 as regards chargeable transfers made in the year beginning 6th April 1994.

63. Stamp duty (execution of deeds)

Resolved, That the following provisions shall have effect for the period beginning 7th December 1993 and ending 31 days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in section 50(2) of the Finance Act 1973—

(1) In section 122 of the Stamp Act 1891 (definitions)—

(a) after subsection (1) there shall be inserted—

"(1A) For the purposes of this Act a deed (or, in Scotland, a deed for which delivery is required) shall be treated as executed when it is delivered or, if it is delivered subject to conditions, when the conditions are fulfilled", and
(b) at the end of the definition of "executed" and "execution" in subsection (1) there
shall be added "(but subject to subsection (1A) of this section)".

(2) In section 27 of the Stamp Duties Management Act 1891 (definitions), in the definition
of "executed" and "execution", for the words following "execution" there shall be substituted
"have the same meaning as in the Stamp Act 1891".

(3) This Resolution shall apply to any instrument except one which, on or before 7th
December 1993, had been executed for the purposes of the Stamp Act 1891 as that Act had
effect before amendment by this resolution.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should
have statutory effect under the provisions of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973.

64. Stamp duty (exchange, partition, etc.)

Resolved, That the following provisions shall have effect for the period beginning 7th
December 1993 and ending 31 days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in section 50(2) of
the Finance Act 1973—

(1) Where—

(a) the consideration for the transfer or vesting of any estate or interest in land or the
grant of any lease or tack consists of or includes any property, and

(b) for the purposes of stamp duty chargeable under or by reference to the heading
"Conveyance or Transfer on sale" in Schedule 1 to the Stamp Act 1891 no amount
or value is, apart from this Resolution, attributed to that property on that transfer,
vesting or grant,

then, for those purposes, the consideration or, as the case may be, the consideration so far
as relating to that property shall be taken to be the market value of the property
immediately before the instrument in question is executed and accordingly the instrument
shall be charged with ad valorem duty under that heading.

(2) For the purposes of this Resolution the market value of property at any time is the
price which that property might reasonably be expected to fetch on a sale at that time in
the open market.

(3) Stamp duty shall not be chargeable under the heading "Exchange or Excambion"
in Schedule 1 to the Stamp Act 1891, and section 73 of that Act (exchange and partition
or division) shall cease to apply to the exchange of property; and, accordingly, in that
section the words from first "upon" to "heritable property, or" and the words "exchange
or" shall cease to have effect.

(4) In that section, as amended by paragraph (3) above, for "real or heritable property"
there shall be substituted "estate or interest in land".

(5) In Schedule 1 to that Act, in paragraph (3) of the heading "Lease or Tack"
(consideration consisting of money, stock or security charged as on a conveyance on sale),
for "or security" there shall be substituted "security or other property".

(6) This Resolution shall apply to instruments executed after 7th December 1993, not
being instruments executed in pursuance of a contract made before 30th November 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should
have statutory effect under the provisions of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973.

65. Stamp duty (unascertainable consideration)

Resolved, That the following provisions shall have effect for the period beginning 7th
December 1993 and ending 31 days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in section 50(2) of
the Finance Act 1973—

(1) Where, for the purposes of stamp duty chargeable under or by reference to the heading
"Conveyance or Transfer on sale" in Schedule 1 to the Stamp Act 1891, the consideration, or
any part of the consideration, for—

(a) the transfer or vesting of any estate or interest in land or,

(b) the grant of any lease or tack,

cannot, apart from this Resolution, be ascertained at the time the instrument in question is
executed, the consideration for the transfer, vesting or grant shall for those purposes be taken
to be the market value immediately before the instrument is executed of the estate or interest
transferred or vested or, as the case may be, the lease or tack granted.

(2) Where, for the purposes of stamp duty chargeable under paragraph (3) of the heading
"Lease or Tack" in Schedule 1 to that Act, the rent, or any part of the rent, payable under any
lease or tack cannot, apart from this Resolution, be ascertained at the time it is executed, the
rent shall for those purposes be taken to be the market rent at that time.

(3) For the purposes of this Resolution—
(a) the cases where consideration or rent cannot be ascertained at any time do not include cases where the consideration or rent could be ascertained on the assumption that any future event mentioned in the instrument in question were or were not to occur,

(b) the market rent of a lease or tack at any time is the rent which the lease or tack might reasonably be expected to fetch at that time in the open market, and

(c) the market value of property at any time is the price which that property might reasonably be expected to fetch on a sale at that time in the open market.

(4) This Resolution shall apply to instruments executed after 7th December 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973.

66. Stamp duty (surrender of leases)

Resolved, That the following provisions shall have effect for the period beginning 7th December 1993 and ending 31 days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in section 50(2) of the Finance Act 1973—

(1) Where, in pursuance of any agreement, any lease is surrendered (or, in Scotland, renounced) at any time otherwise than by deed, the agreement shall be treated for the purposes of any duty chargeable under the Stamp Act 1891 as if it were a deed executed at that time effecting the surrender (or, as the case may be, renunciation).

(2) This Resolution shall apply to any agreement made after 7th December 1993.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973.

67. Relief from tax (incidental and consequential charges)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise any incidental or consequential charges to any duty or tax (including charges having retrospective effect) which may arise from provisions designed in general to afford relief from taxation.

Procedure (Future Taxation),—Resolved, That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the practice of the House relating to the matters which may be included in Finance Bills, any Finance Bill of the present Session may contain the following provisions taking effect in a future year—

(a) provision about the management of tax;
(b) provision about Lloyd's underwriters;
(c) provision about annuities acquired with funds held for the purposes of personal pension schemes;
(d) provision about the taxation of social security benefits payable in respect of incapacity for work;

Finance [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Finance (Money);

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to finance, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of sums payable by virtue of any provision of that Act enabling provision to be made under section 128 of the Finance Act 1990 about the repayment of fees for nominations relating to vehicle registration marks;
(b) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase in the sums payable out of such money which is attributable to any provision of that Act conferring jurisdiction on tribunals.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that The Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Howard, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary MacGregor, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lilley, Mr Secretary Patten, Mr Michael Portillo, Sir John Cope, Mr Anthony Nelson and Mr Stephen Dorrell do prepare and bring it in.

12 Finance Bill,—Mr Stephen Dorrell accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties, to alter other duties, to amend the law relating to the National Debt and the Public Revenue, and to make further provision in connection with Finance: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 5].
13 Public Expenditure.—The Speaker put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion relating to Public Expenditure, pursuant to Order [26th November].

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House welcomes the new spending plans set out in the Budget statement presented by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer on 30th November; congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its policy of reducing the share of national income taken by the public sector; welcomes the contribution which is being made by firm control of public spending to reducing the PSBR, so providing conditions for sustainable recovery; supports the increased spending planned in priority areas and the pressure being applied to the Government's own costs; and commends the Government's determination to maintain sound public finances and improve value for the taxpayers' money—(Mr Andrew MacKay);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and to add the words 'notes the real cuts in the Government's new spending plans set out in the Budget statement presented by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer on 30th November 1993 resulting from the complete inadequacy of the Government's economic policies which have failed to produce either high employment or sustainably high rates of growth; regrets the absence of any strategy for using public investment to help generate growth and employment; condemns the unacceptable cuts to key public services and public investment programmes, while forcing public sector workers to pay the price of the Government's economic failure; and condemns the betrayal of election pledges which will see public spending plans cut below this year's level in real terms both next year and the year after, will slash transport and housing programmes, cut the employment budget and support for local authorities, and sharply reduce unemployment benefit, invalidity benefit and the Government's contribution to sick pay, so increasing poverty', instead thereof. (Mr Derek Foster).

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 288.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Derek Conway: 331.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Derek Conway: 332.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 284.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the new spending plans set out in the Budget statement presented by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer on 30th November; congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its policy of reducing the share of national income taken by the public sector; welcomes the contribution which is being made by firm control of public spending to reducing the PSBR, so providing conditions for sustainable recovery; supports the increased spending planned in priority areas and the pressure being applied to the Government's own costs; and commends the Government's determination to maintain sound public finances and improve value for the taxpayers' money.

14 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of North Devon for the retention of RAF Chivenor was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

15 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.50 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Tuesday 7th December 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1. Education.—Education (School Inspection) (Wales) (No. 2) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2968), dated 26th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

2. Fire Services.—Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2946), dated 26th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].


4. Road Traffic.—(1) Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3013), and
   (2) Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3011), dated 2nd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


Other Papers:

6. Education.—Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Schools for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 12] [Mr Secretary Patten].


8. Science and Technology.—Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) the Medical Research Council, and
   (2) the Natural Environment Research Council for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr William Waldegrave].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1. Education.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 7th December; to be printed [No. 89-i] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

2. Employment.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 7th December; to be printed [No. 32-iii] [Mr Greville Janner].

3. Members' Interests.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on Members' Interests on 7th December; to be printed [No. 85-i] [Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith].

4. Statutory Instruments.—Second Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-ii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

5. Treasury and Civil Service.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 7th December; to be printed [No. 87-i] [Mr John Watts].

[No. 15.]

Wednesday 8th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1. Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed; and several Papers were withdrawn (see Appendix I).

2. Selection.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
3 Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

4 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mrs Ann Winterton reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1993, referred to a Committee on 30th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No.96].

5 European Standing Committee A,—Sir James Kilfedder reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 8441/93, relating to the protection of animals during transport, and supports the Government’s intention of seeking to negotiate high standards of care throughout the Community for animals during transport.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4).

(In the Committee)

Clause No.1 (Alternative schemes for reform of law relating to Sunday trading).

Amendment (No. 35) proposed, in page 1, to leave out lines 5 to 17 and insert the words 'Schedules (Prohibition of trade in shops during Sunday morning) and 3 to this Act shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint (in this section referred to as “the appointed day”)'.—(Sir Peter Emery.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report progress and ask leave to sit again.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Timothy Wood reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

7 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No.14 (Exempted business), That, at this day’s sitting, the Sunday Trading Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Wood)—It was agreed to.

8 Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4),—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4).

(In the Committee)

Clause No.1 (Alternative schemes for reform of law relating to Sunday trading).

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 35) be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, line 5, to leave out from the beginning to the word 'sections' in line 7.—(Mr Secretary Howard.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Tim Devlin, Mr James Couchman: 174.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Dennis Turner: 404.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed, in page 1, line 5, to leave out from the beginning to the word 'Schedules' in line 10.—(Mr Patrick Cormack.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee proceeded to a Division; but one of the doors of the No Lobby remaining unlocked when the Chairman, at the expiration of six minutes, had given the order to lock the doors, he directed the Committee to proceed again to a Division.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Dennis Turner: 286.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Archie Hamilton, Mrs Angela Knight: 304.
Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed, in page 1, line 5, to leave out from the beginning to the word 'Schedules' in line 12.—(Dame Angela Rumbold.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr James Couchman, Mr Bernard Jenkin: 333.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Dennis Turner: 258.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed, in page 1, line 13, to leave out from the word 'such' to the end of line 17 and insert the words 'day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint (in this section referred to as "the appointed day")'.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 339.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Dennis Turner: 219.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed, in page 1, line 18, to leave out from the beginning to the word 'sections'.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 320.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 185.

The Chairman, being of the opinion that the principle of the Clause and any matters arising thereon had been adequately discussed in the course of debate on the Amendments proposed thereto, put forthwith the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 67 (Debate on clause or schedule standing part), That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Michael Brown: 335.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Eric Illsley: 175.

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr James Arbuthnot reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Committee again to-morrow.

Thursday 9th December 1993

9 Broadcasting. —A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Broadcasting (Restrictions on the Holding of Licences) (Amendment) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 29th November, be approved—(Mr Secretary Brooke);

And it being One and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Wood: 144.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner: 109.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Broadcasting (Restrictions on the Holding of Licences) (Amendment) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 29th November, be approved.
10 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Environment and Safety Information (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 19th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

11 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 18th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

12 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 18th November, be approved—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

13 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 18th November, be approved—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

14 School Milk.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 7825/93, relating to the supply of milk and certain milk products at reduced prices to schoolchildren; and acknowledges the Government’s efforts in securing an agreement which, whilst reflecting the need for budgetary restraint, safeguards the viability of the scheme—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

15 State Aid for Coal.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4569/93, relating to State aid to the coal industry; and endorses the Government’s intention to work for Council assent to a replacement Decision based on the document in timely fashion before the present Decision expires on 31st December 1993—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

16 Community Research and Development.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 8107/93, relating to Community research and development; and endorses the Government’s negotiating objectives of securing both excellence and value for taxpayers’ money in these activities, enhancing their contribution to economic competitiveness, and seeking in particular an overall amount for the Fourth Framework Programme and a detailed breakdown of expenditure between activities that reflects the United Kingdom’s interests and priorities—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

17 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from owners, staff and customers of master bakeries for recognition of social factors in relation to reform of the Shops Act was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

18 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes to Two o’clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.53 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 8th December 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Insider Dealing.—Draft Insider Dealing (Securities and Regulated Markets) Order 1993 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Animals.—Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act (Fees) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2956), dated 29th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 Hearing Aid Council,—Hearing Aid Council Monetary Penalty (Increase) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3052), dated 5th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

5 Libraries,—Public Lending Right Scheme 1982 (Commencement of Variation) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3049), dated 6th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

6 Local Government,—Hereford and Worcester and West Midlands (County Boundaries) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2971), dated 30th November 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

7 Police,—(1) Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.R.(N.I.), 1993, No. 464), and
(2) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Full-Time) (Appointment and Conditions of Service) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.R.(N.I.), 1993, No. 465), dated 29th November 1993 [by Statutory Instrument] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

8 Sea Fisheries,—Herring (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3063), dated 2nd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

9 Trade Marks,—Trade Marks and Service Marks (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3029), dated 1st December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

10 Universities and Colleges,—Education (University Commissioners) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3056), dated 7th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

Other Papers:

11 Census,—Ward and Civil Parish Monitor from the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the 1991 Census on Northumberland [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


(2) Directors' report and financial statements of the Yorkshire and Humberside Development Association for the period 16th June 1992 to 31st March 1993,
(3) Revenue account of the Yorkshire and Humberside Development Association for the period 1st April 1992 to 31st July 1992, and
(4) Report of the Yorkshire and Humberside Development Association for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

15 National Health Service,—Accounts of the Public Health Laboratory Service for 1991-92, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 92] [Clerk of the House].

16 Public Health,—Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Oil and Chemical Pollution of Fish) (No. 2) (Partial Revocation No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3058), dated 7th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers withdrawn:

17 Industrial Tribunals,—Draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1993 [laid 30th November].


APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Welsh Grand Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated Mr David Evennett to serve as an additional Member on the Welsh Grand Committee, in place of Mr David Evans, for the remainder of the Session, unless otherwise ordered by the Committee.
2 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated the Members nominated to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 also to serve on the same Committee in respect of the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 8th December; to be printed [No. 93-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Environment,—(1) First Special Report from the Environment Committee [Government Reply to the Third Report (Session 1992-93) on DoE, Property Holdings and PSA Estimates 1993-94 and DoE Annual Report 1993]; to be printed [No. 91]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 8th December; to be printed [No. 90-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 European Legislation,—(1) Second Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-ii]; and
   (2) First Special Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation [Scrutiny after Maastricht]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 99] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 8th December; to be printed [Nos. 37-iii and -iv] [Mr David Howell].

5 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 8th December; to be printed [No. 71-ii] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 8th December; to be printed [No. 64-ii] [Mr James Pawsey].

7 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 8th December; to be printed [No. 97-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

8 Science and Technology,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 8th December; to be printed [No. 74-ii] [Sir Giles Shaw].

9 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 8th December; to be printed [No. 70-ii] [Mr Frank Field].

10 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 8th December; to be printed [No. 41-iii] [Mr Richard Caborn].

11 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 8th December; to be printed [Nos. 94-4 and 95-j] [Mr Paul Channon].

12 Treasury and Civil Service,—(1) First Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [The Role of the Bank of England], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 98]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 8th December; to be printed [No. 87-ii] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDA
Wednesday 8th December 1993

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
2 Chairmen of Standing Committees. — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of the economy in Scotland;

(2) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993;

(3) Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 6888/93, relating to the Court of Auditors’ Report on fishing fleet capacity, and 7378/93, relating to the fishing fleet transitional guidance programme 1992;

(4) Mr Robert Hicks Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 9298/93, relating to own resources; and

(5) Mr Barry Jones Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, in place of Mr Edward O’Hara.

3 European Standing Committees. — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 8757/93, relating to bovine somatotrophin, and 9662/93, relating to guide prices for fishery products 1994, have been referred to European Standing Committee A.

[No. 16.]

Thursday 9th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers. — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees. — Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr Barry Jones reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, referred to a Committee on 22nd November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 100].

4 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Dr John G. Blackburn reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993 and the draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993, referred to a Committee on 30th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 103].

5 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr James Hill reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993, referred to a Committee on 7th December and 30th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No.101].

6 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill. — Mr Secretary Lang, supported by Mr Secretary Gummer, Mr Secretary Redwood, Mr Michael Portillo, Mr Allan Stewart and Sir Hector Monro, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to local government and the functions of local authorities; to make amendments in relation to local government finance, local authority accounts and the records of local authorities; to establish a Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority for the purposes of the Transport Act 1968; to provide for the establishment of new water and sewerage authorities; to provide for the establishment of a council to represent the interests of customers and potential customers of those new authorities; to provide for the vesting in those new authorities of the property, rights and liabilities of the Central Scotland Water Development Board
and of such property, rights and liabilities of regional and islands councils as those councils have as water authorities, as providers of sewerage and in relation to dealing with the contents of sewers; to provide for the dissolution of that Board; to cancel certain obligations to contribute towards expenses which have been incurred by local authorities in making provision for sewerage or disposal of sewage in rural localities; to create an office of Principal Reporter and transfer to him the functions of reporters to children's hearings; to establish a body to facilitate the performance by the Principal Reporter of his functions; to amend the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 in relation to reports made with a view to and for the purposes of children's hearings; to amend section 21 of the Self-Governing Schools etc. (Scotland) Act 1989; to amend the law relating to roads and the placing of traffic signs on roads; to make amendments in relation to valuation and rating; to abolish the Scottish Valuation Advisory Council; to empower local authorities to make grants to ethnic minorities; to confer on local authorities the function of promoting economic development; to provide for the establishment of area tourist boards; to make amendments in relation to lieutenancies; all as respects Scotland; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow and to be printed [Bill 6].

7 European Communities. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the White Paper on developments in the European Community, July to December 1992 (Cm. 2168), the White Paper on developments in the European Community, January to June 1993 (Cm. 2369), the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 6th December 1993 on the Commission's recommendation for the broad guidelines for economic policies under Article 103(2) of the Treaty establishing the European Community, European Community Documents Nos. COM (93) 700, the Commission's White Book on growth, competitiveness and employment, COM (93) 545, the Commission's report to the European Council on subsidiarity, 7194/93, on reinforcing the effectiveness of the internal market, 7665/93, the Preliminary Draft Budget of the European Communities for 1994, 9303/93, the letter of amendment No. 1 to the Preliminary Draft Budget for 1994, 8012/93, the Draft Budget of the European Communities for 1994, and 9922/93, the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications to the Draft Budget for 1994, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 22nd November 1993, relating to the Council's decisions on the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications to the Draft Budget for 1994, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 2nd November 1993, relating to the revision of the Financial Perspective for 1994, and OJ C309, the Annual Report of the European Court of Auditors concerning the financial year 1992, together with the replies of the Institutions—(Mr Secretary Hurd);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 21, at the end to add the words 'but regrets that the approach of Her Majesty's Government to developments in the European Community has failed to advance Britain's interests'.—(Dr John Cunningham.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Spellar: 236.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 297.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Derek Conway: 293.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Spellar: 232.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of the White Paper on developments in the European Community, July to December 1992 (Cm. 2168), the White Paper on developments in the European Community, January to June 1993 (Cm. 2369), the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 6th December 1993 on the Commission's recommendation for the broad guidelines for economic policies under Article 103(2) of the Treaty establishing the European Community, European Community Documents Nos. COM (93) 700, the Commission's White Book on growth, competitiveness and employment, COM (93) 545, the Commission's report to the European Council on subsidiarity, 7194/93, on reinforcing the effectiveness of the internal market, 7665/93, the Preliminary Draft Budget of the European Communities for 1994, 9303/93, the letter of amendment No. 1 to the Preliminary Draft Budget for 1994, 8012/93, the Draft Budget of the European Communities for 1994, and 9922/93, the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications to the Draft Budget for 1994, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 2nd November 1993, relating to the Council's decisions on the European Parliament's

8 Public Petitions. — A Public Petition from residents of Scotland for protection of the salmon farming industry was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

9 Adjournment. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then five minutes past Eleven o’clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.5 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Thursday 9th December 1993
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Northern Ireland. — (1) Draft Airports (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, and
(2) draft Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1993
[by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Children and Young Persons. — Children (Homes, Arrangements for Placement, Reviews and Representations) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3069), dated 8th December 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


5 Income Tax. — (1) Friendly Societies (Modification of the Corporation Tax Acts) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3111), and
(2) Friendly Societies (Provisional Repayments for Exempt Business) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3112),
dated 9th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

6 National Health Service. — National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Amendment Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2972), dated 1st December 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

7 Public Health. — Gipsy Encampments (East Yorkshire Borough of Beverley) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2980), dated 2nd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

8 Road Traffic. — (1) International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3067),
(2) International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3068), and
(3) Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Recording Equipment) (Approval of Fitters and Workshops) (Fees) (Amendment) (Regulations) 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3066),
dated 7th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:

8 Mental Health. — Fifth biennial report of the Mental Health Act Commission for the period 1991-93 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

9 Monopolies and Mergers. — Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply of national newspapers [by Command] [Cm. 2422] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
10 National Health Service, — Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Health on 6th December 1993 on borrowing by St. Peter's Hospital National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

11 Next Steps Agencies, — Paper entitled Next Steps Review 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2430] [Mr William Waldegrave].

12 Prisons (Northern Ireland), — Report on the work of the Northern Ireland Prison Service for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 29] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].


14 Statutory Instruments (Notification), — Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into force before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:

   Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Oil and Chemical Pollution of Fish) (No. 2) (Partial Revocation No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3058) [by Standing Order] [The Speaker].

   Paper withdrawn:

15 Industrial Tribunals, — Draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1993 [30th November].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 9th December; to be printed [No. 102-i] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 Welsh Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 9th December; to be printed [No. 104-i] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

[No. 17.]

Friday 10th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions, — Public Petitions from —

   (1) citizens of the United Kingdom for further consultation in the construction of roads and railways, and

   (2) residents of Rutland Park Mansions for the appointment of a mediator in their affairs

   were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

3 Business and Industry, — Strangers, — Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.

   The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Dennis Skinner: 0.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 20.

   And it appearing on the report of the Division that fewer than forty Members had taken part in the Division, the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided, and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.

4 Budget Procedures, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House calls on the Procedure Committee to bring forward proposals so that in future years the House would no longer vote for or against the Budget, but would instead choose between
alternative budgets put forward by both the Government and the Official Opposition, with the winning Budget proposals then going forward for consideration in Committee; that the Treasury would give full co-operation to the Opposition in the preparation of its Budget, and that in the event of the Official Opposition failing to take up this opportunity, it would fall to the third largest party to present the alternative Budget—(Mr Ken Livingstone).—It was negatived.

5 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Tuesday 14th December, the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to Fisheries not later than three hours after their commencement, and those proceedings may be entered upon or continued after the expiration of the time for opposed business.—(Mr Tony Newton.)

6 European Standing Committees,—Ordered, That European Community Document No. 9662/93 relating to guide prices for fishery products 1994 shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee A.—(Mr Tony Newton.)

7 Social Security (Contributions) Bill and Statutory Sick Pay Bill,—Ordered, That, in respect of the Social Security (Contributions) Bill and the Statutory Sick Pay Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bills have been read a second time.—(Mr Tony Newton.)

8 Public Accounts,—Ordered, That Dr Kim Howells be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Mr George Mudie be added to the Committee.—(Mr Nicholas Baker.)

9 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Nicholas Baker.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes to Two o'clock, adjourned till Monday 13th December.

[Adjourned at 1.44 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 10th December 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—Common Agricultural Policy (Wine) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3071), dated 7th December 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].


3 Civil Aviation,—(1) Access for Community Air Carriers to Intra-Community Air Routes (Amendment and Other Provisions) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3040), dated 6th December 1993,

(2) Air Fares (Second Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3041), dated 6th December 1993,

(3) Airports Slot Allocation (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3042), dated 6th December 1993,

(4) Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) (Second Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3098), dated 9th December 1993, and

(5) Licensing of Air Carriers (Second Amendment and Other Provisions) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3039), dated 6th December 1993

[by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].
4 Customs and Excise,—Community Customs Code (Consequential Amendment of References) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3014), dated 2nd December 1993 [by Act] [Sir John Cope].

5 Education,—(1) Education (Acquisition of Grant-maintained Status) (Transitional Functions) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3072), dated 7th December 1993,

(2) Education (Application of Financing Schemes to Special Schools) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3104), dated 8th December 1993,


(4) Education (Grant-maintained Schools) (Initial Governing Instruments) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3102), dated 8th December 1993,

(5) Education (Grant-maintained Schools) (Loans) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3073), dated 7th December 1993,

(6) Education (Publication of Schemes for Financing Schools) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3070), dated 1st December 1993,


(8) Education (Schools Conducted by Education Associations) (Initial Articles of Government) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3101), dated 8th December 1993,

(9) Education (Schools Conducted by Education Associations) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3103), dated 7th December 1993,

(10) Education (School Government) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3107), dated 9th December 1993, and

(11) Education (School Inspection) (No. 2) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2973), dated 29th November 1993

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

6 Energy Conservation,—Boiler (Efficiency) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3083), dated 9th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

7 Fire Services,—Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3079), dated 8th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


10 Local Government,—(1) Local Authorities (Capital Finance) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3054), dated 7th December 1993,


(3) Local Government (Compensation for Premature Retirement) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3108), dated 10th December 1993

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].
11 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service Trusts (Consultation on Dissolution) (Scotland) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3057), dated 3rd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

12 Pensions,—(1) Local Government Superannuation (Educational Institutions) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3030), dated 3rd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer];

(2) Local Government Superannuation (Membership) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3043), dated 6th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer]; and

(3) Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3044), dated 3rd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

13 Police,—Police (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3081), dated 9th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

14 Prisons,—Prison (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3075), dated 5th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

15 Public Health,—Gipsy Encampments (Metropolitan District of Salford) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3032), dated 3rd December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

16 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3059), dated 6th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang]; and

(2) Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (England) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3082), dated 9th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

17 Road Traffic,—Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3048), dated 6th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

18 Sheriff Court (Scotland),—(1) Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment and Further Provisions) 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3080), dated 3rd December 1993, and

(2) Sheriff Court Fees Amendment (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2957), dated 29th November 1993

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


21 Young Offender Institutions,—Young Offender Institution (Amendment) Rules 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3076), dated 5th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Other Papers:

22 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Department of Trade and Industry: Support for earth observation space technology [by Act]; to be printed [No. 76] [Clerk of the House].
Monday 13th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously enquired into applicable).—The Speaker laid upon the Table the Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously enquired into is applicable thereto, viz:

London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

2 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Estimates (1st allotted day).—The House proceeded, pursuant to the Resolution [2nd December], to consider the Estimates appointed for consideration under Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

Supplementary Estimates, 1993-94 (Class II, Vote 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £98,121,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on grants and subscriptions etc. to certain international organisations, special payments and assistance, scholarships, military aid and sundry other grants and services—(Mr Douglas Hogg);

The Debate was concluded, and the Question necessary to dispose of the proceedings was deferred, pursuant to paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

Supplementary Estimates, 1993-94 (Class IV, Vote 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Department of Trade and Industry on regional development grants, exchange risk and other losses, selective assistance to individual industries and firms, UK contributions arising from its commitments under the International Natural Rubber Agreement, a strategic mineral stockpile, support for the aerospace and shipbuilding industries, assistance to redundant coal and steel workers, for expenditure related to petroleum licensing and royalty, for other payments and for loans to trading funds—(Mr Tim Sainsbury);

And it being Ten o’clock, the Speaker interrupted the proceedings, and the Question necessary to dispose of the proceedings was deferred, pursuant to paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

The Speaker, pursuant to paragraph (5) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates), put the deferred Questions on Supplementary Estimates, 1993-94 (Class II, Vote 2 and Class IV, Vote 2).

Class II, Vote 2

Question put, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £98,121,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on grants and subscriptions etc. to certain international organisations, special payments and assistance, scholarships, military aid and sundry other grants and services;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 309.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Michael Clapham: 54.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £98,121,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the
Foreign and Commonwealth Office on grants and subscriptions etc. to certain international organisations, special payments and assistance, scholarships, military aid and sundry other grants and services.

Class IV, Vote 2

Question put, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Department of Trade and Industry on regional development grants, exchange risk and other losses, selective assistance to individual industries and firms, UK contributions arising from its commitments under the International Natural Rubber Agreement, a strategic mineral stockpile, support for the aerospace and shipbuilding industries, assistance to redundant coal and steel workers, for expenditure related to petroleum licensing and royalty, for other payments and for loans to trading funds;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 286.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Michael Clapham: 72.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Department of Trade and Industry on regional development grants, exchange risk and other losses, selective assistance to individual industries and firms, UK contributions arising from its commitments under the International Natural Rubber Agreement, a strategic mineral stockpile, support for the aerospace and shipbuilding industries, assistance to redundant coal and steel workers, for expenditure related to petroleum licensing and royalty, for other payments and for loans to trading funds.

5 Estimates,—The Speaker then put forthwith the Questions which she was directed to put pursuant to paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 53 (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.).

Supplementary Estimates, 1993-94

Question put, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £2,061,483,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 2;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 292.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Terry Lewis: 53.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £2,061,483,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 2.

Estimates, 1994-95 (Vote on Account)

Question put, That a sum not exceeding £92,463,143,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1995, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 3, 4 and 5;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Michael Brown: 293.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Robert Litherland: 62.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £92,463,143,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1995, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 3, 4 and 5.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Michael Portillo, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Sir John Cope and Mr Anthony Nelson do prepare and bring it in.

6 Consolidated Fund Bill,—Mr Stephen Dorrell accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1994
and 1995: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 7].

7 Statutory Sick Pay Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Statutory Sick Pay Bill [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Statutory Sick Pay Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred in consequence of the Act by a Minister of the Crown—(Mr Nicholas Scott);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 229.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Harry Barnes: 78.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Statutory Sick Pay Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred in consequence of the Act by a Minister of the Crown.

8 Environment,—Ordered, That Mr Kevin Barron and Mr Nick Raynsford be discharged from the Environment Committee and Mr Robert Ainsworth and Mr John Denham be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

9 Home Affairs,—Ordered, That Mr Mike O'Brien be discharged from the Home Affairs Committee and Mr Stephen Byers be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

10 National Heritage,—Ordered, That Mr Bryan Davies be discharged from the National Heritage Committee and Mr Bruce Grocott be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

11 Trade and Industry,—Ordered, That Mr Adam Ingram be discharged from the Trade and Industry Committee and Mr Ken Purchase be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

12 Treasury and Civil Service,—Ordered, That Mr John Garrett be discharged from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee and Mr Mike O'Brien be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

Tuesday 14th December 1993

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Monday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eighteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.18 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 10th December 1993 pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments):

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education,—Education (Annual Consideration of Ballot on Grant-Maintained Status) (England) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3115), dated 9th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

2 Income Tax, Vocational Training (Tax Relief) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3118), dated 10th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

3 Rating and Valuation, Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3077), dated 9th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Monday 13th December 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

4 Value Added Tax,—Value Added Tax (Cash Accounting) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3028), dated 6th December 1993 [by Act] [Sir John Cope].
Other Papers:

5 Census,—(1) Postcode Sector Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for
the 1991 Census for Solent and Wessex, and
   (2) Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for
   the 1991 Census for—
      (i) Cumbria, and
      (ii) Suffolk
   [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 County Courts,—Civil Courts (Amendment No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3120), dated
9th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

Paper withdrawn:

7 Open Spaces,—Draft Hyde Park and The Regents Park (Vehicle Parking) Regulations 1994
[laid 29th November].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Home Affairs,—First Special Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Interruption to
Committee Proceedings]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the
Committee relating to the Report [No. 107] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

2 Public Accounts,—(1) Fourth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Ministry of
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food: Management of Work Services]; to be printed, with the
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 108]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 13th
December; to be printed [No. 109-i]
   [Mr Robert Sheldon].

3 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil
Service Committee on 13th December, to be printed [No. 87-iii] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDA

Monday 13th December 1993

1 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of
standing committees), the Speaker appointed Mr James Hill Chairman of European
Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 6888/93,
relating to the Court of Auditors' Report on fishing fleet capacity, and 7378/93, relating
to the fishing fleet transitional guidance programme 1992, in place of Mr Nicholas
Winterton.

2 Public Bills (Scotland),—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 93 (Public Bills relating
exclusively to Scotland), the Speaker certified that, in her opinion, the provisions of the
Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

Tuesday 14th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered
to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be
printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix
II).

3 Statutory Sick Pay Bill and Social Security (Contributions) Bill (Allocation of Time),—A
Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the following provisions shall
apply to the proceedings on the Statutory Sick Pay Bill and the Social Security
(Contributions) Bill:
Second Reading, Committee, Report and Third Reading: Statutory Sick Pay Bill

1.—(1) The proceedings on Second Reading, in Committee and on consideration and Third Reading of the Statutory Sick Pay Bill shall be completed at the sitting on 15th December.

(2) The proceedings on Second Reading shall be brought to a conclusion three hours after their commencement, and the proceedings in Committee and on consideration and Third Reading shall be brought to a conclusion six hours after the commencement of proceedings on Second Reading.

(3) When the Bill has been read a second time it shall, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without any Question being put and the Speaker shall forthwith leave the Chair whether or not notice of an Instruction has been given.

(4) On the conclusion of the proceedings in Committee the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question and, if he reports the Bill with amendments, the House shall proceed to consider the Bill as amended without any Question being put.

(5) No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which proceedings in Committee or on consideration of the Bill are taken.

Second Reading, Committee, Report and Third Reading: Social Security (Contributions) Bill

2.—(1) The proceedings on Second Reading, in Committee and on consideration and Third Reading of the Social Security (Contributions) Bill shall be completed at the sitting on 16th December.

(2) The proceedings on Second Reading shall be brought to a conclusion three hours after their commencement, and the proceedings in Committee and on consideration and Third Reading shall be brought to a conclusion six hours after the commencement of proceedings on Second Reading.

(3) When the Bill has been read a second time it shall, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without any Question being put and the Speaker shall forthwith leave the Chair whether or not notice of an Instruction has been given.

(4) On the conclusion of the proceedings in Committee the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question and, if he reports the Bill with amendments, the House shall proceed to consider the Bill as amended without any Question being put.

(5) No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which proceedings in Committee or on consideration of the Bill are taken.

Conclusion of proceedings

3.—(1) This paragraph applies in relation to any proceedings on either Bill which are to be brought to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 1 or 2.

(2) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Speaker or Chairman shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

(a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;
(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed;
(c) the Question on any amendment moved or Motion made by a Minister of the Crown;
(d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded.

(3) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (2) shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(4) If on 15th or 16th December a Motion for the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) stands over to Seven o’clock and proceedings to which this Order applies have begun before that time—

(a) that Motion shall stand over until the conclusion of any proceedings which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion at or before that time; and
(b) the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion after that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

Business Committee

4. Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) shall not apply to this Order.
Dilatory Motions

5. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings on either Bill shall be made except by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

Extra Time

6. Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to proceedings on the Statutory Sick Pay Bill at the sitting on 15th December and to proceedings on the Social Security (Contributions) Bill at the sitting on 16th December.

Supplemental orders

7. —(1) The proceedings on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to those proceedings.

(2) If at any sitting the House is adjourned, or if any sitting is suspended, before the time at which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, no notice shall be required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a Minister of the Crown for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

Saving

8. Nothing in this Order shall prevent any proceedings to which this Order applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by this Order.

Recommittal

9. —(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of, recommittal.

(2) No debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit either Bill to which this Order applies (whether as a whole or otherwise), and the Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any amendment moved to the Question — (Mr Tony Newton);

And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question necessary to dispose of them, pursuant to Standing Order No. 81 (Allocation of time to bills).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 307.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Gordon McMaster: 266.

So the Question was agreed to.

4 Fisheries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9662/93, relating to guide prices for fishery products 1994, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 9th December 1993 relating to total allowable catches and quotas for 1994, the Sixth Report from the Agriculture Committee of Session 1992-93 on the effects of conservation measures on the United Kingdom sea fishing industry (House of Commons Paper No. 620) and the Government’s Response thereto contained in the Fifth Special Report from the Agriculture Committee of Session 1992-93 (House of Commons Paper No. 927); and supports the Government’s intention to negotiate the best possible fishing opportunities for the United Kingdom fishing industry for 1994 consistent with the requirements of conservation of fish stocks — (Mr Michael Jack);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 9, to leave out from the word ‘and’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘agrees with the House of Commons Select Committee on Agriculture that days at sea restrictions are “unnecessarily draconian” and “carry the risk that the United Kingdom fleet will suffer a catastrophic financial implosion”; notes the recent High Court judgement on the Sea Fish Conservation Act 1992; urges the Government to abandon the days at sea restrictions and to respond positively to the conservation proposals put forward by the fishing industry; calls upon the Government to maintain the role of the Royal Navy in fisheries protection work and to do all in its power to ensure that the Common Fisheries Policy enforcement mechanisms coming into operation on 1st January 1994 are effective; urges the Government to ensure that the minimum possible disadvantage is imposed upon the United Kingdom fishing industry by any agreement on the Spanish and Portuguese Act of Accession; and calls upon the Government to use the forthcoming European Union Fisheries Council meeting to secure a better deal for United Kingdom fishermen’, instead thereof.— (Dr Gavin Strang.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr John Spellar: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 312.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 309.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Dennis Turner: 272.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9662/93, relating to guide prices for fishery products 1994, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 9th December 1993 relating to total allowable catches and quotas for 1994, the Sixth Report from the Agriculture Committee of Session 1992-93 on the effects of conservation measures on the United Kingdom sea fishing industry (House of Commons Paper No. 620) and the Government’s Response thereto contained in the Fifth Special Report from the Agriculture Committee of Session 1992-93 (House of Commons Paper No. 927); and supports the Government’s intention to negotiate the best possible fishing opportunities for the United Kingdom fishing industry for 1994 consistent with the requirements of conservation of fish stocks.

5 Court of Session (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 28th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 309.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Dennis Skinner: 4.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 28th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.

6 Northern Ireland. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 2nd November, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 292.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Jeremy Corbyn: 129.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Water and Sewerage Services (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 2nd November, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.

7 Companies. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 23rd November, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Derek Conway: 277.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eddie Loyden, Mr Jeremy Corbyn: 127.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Companies Act 1985 (Insurance Companies Accounts) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 23rd November, be approved.

8 Insurance. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 23rd November, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood);
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Derek Conway: 270.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Bob Cryer: 119.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Insurance Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Insurance Undertakings) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 23rd November, be approved.

9 Town and Country Planning (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 6th December, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 261.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Bob Cryer: 109.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 6th December, be approved.

10 Town and Country Planning.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 25th November, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Michael Brown: 260.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr George Mudie, Mr Kevin Hughes: 108.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1993, which were laid before this House on 25th November, be approved.

11 Transport of Animals.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 8441/93, relating to the protection of animals during transport; and supports the Government's intention of seeking to negotiate high standards of care throughout the Community for animals during transport—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

12 Consolidated Fund Bill.—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read a second time.

The House proceeded to a division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Derek Conway: 265.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Bob Cryer: 91.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

And the Question being put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr James Arbuthnot: 264.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Kevin Hughes, Mr Bob Cryer: 97.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
13 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Fabricant, Mr John Marshall: 0.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Shaw, Mr Bill Walker: 2.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that fewer than forty Members had taken part in the Division, the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided and that the Motion for the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills) would stand over and the next business would be taken, pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Quorum).

14 Adjournment,—Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes past Six o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 6.19 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 14th December 1993

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Savings Banks,—National Savings Bank (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3130), dated 14th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

Other Papers:

2 Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons,—Statements by the Secretary of State for Health on—

(1) residential care of handicapped persons under the age of 65 in England and Wales, and

(2) separation of younger from older patients in hospital
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 21 and 53] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


4 National Debt,—(1) National Savings Stock Register (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3131),

(2) Savings Certificates (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3133), and

(3) Savings Certificates (Yearly Plan) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3132),

dated 14th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

5 Tribunals and Inquiries,—Report of the Council on Tribunals for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 78] [Mr John M. Taylor].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 14th December; to be printed [No. 111] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 14th December; to be printed [No. 90-ii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].
3 Members' Interests,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Members' Interests on 14th December; to be printed [No. 85-ii] [Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith].

4 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Third Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
   (2) First Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a Memorandum laid before the Committee;
   to be printed [Nos. 19-iii and 20-i] [Mr Bob Cryer].

THE SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

The Speaker certified that the Consolidated Fund Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.

[No. 20.]

Wednesday 15th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the London Underground (Green Park) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
   Bill to be read the third time.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 European Standing Committee A,—Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 6888/93, relating to the capacities of fishing fleets in the Community, and 7378/93 and ADD 1, together with the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 19th November, relating to the Transitional Guidance Programme; notes the Court of Auditors' criticism of Community expenditure on decommissioning; notes the measures taken by member states under their guidance programmes; and endorses the Government's view that, in order to conserve fish stocks, a combination of measures designed to regulate fishing effort is required.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 European Standing Committee B,—Mr Robert Hicks reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 9298/93 + COR 1, relating to the Communities' own resources; and endorses the Government's objective of ensuring that the new Own Resources Decision is in accordance with the financing decisions taken by the Edinburgh European Council of 11th and 12th December 1992.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 Statutory Sick Pay Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Statutory Sick Pay Bill;
   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
   And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question already proposed from the Chair, pursuant to the Order [yesterday].
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr James Arbuthnot: 308.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Alan Meale: 268.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Committee of the whole House, pursuant to the Order.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, pursuant to the Order.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Restriction of employers' right of recovery).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report progress and ask leave to sit again.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr Irvine Patnick reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

8 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Social Security (Contributions) Bill [Ways and Means] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Irvine Patnick);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 302.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jack Thompson: 261.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Social Security (Contributions) Bill [Ways and Means] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.

9 Statutory Sick Pay Bill,—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Statutory Sick Pay Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Restriction of employers' right of recovery).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Derek Conway: 297.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 226.

Clause No. 2 (Transitional and other supplementary provisions).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, line 18, to leave out the words 'and such savings'. (Mr Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 1, line 29, to leave out the word 'and' and insert the word 'shall'.—(Mr Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

And it being six hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Second Reading of the Bill, the Chairman put the Question already proposed from the Chair, pursuant to the Order.

The Committee proceeded to a Division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jack Thompson: 264.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr James Arbuthnot: 303.

The Chairman then put forthwith the other Questions necessary for the disposal of business to be concluded at that hour.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 306.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 232.

Clause No. 3 (Corresponding provision for Northern Ireland).
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Andrew MacKay: 300.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Spellar: 220.

Clause No. 4 (Citation, commencement, financial provision and extent).
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Michael Brown: 297.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 208.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill to the House, pursuant to the Order.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Andrew Mitchell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Mr Nicholas Scott, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question, That the Bill be now read the third time, being put forthwith, pursuant to the Order;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 298.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 204.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

10 Social Security (Contributions) Bill [Ways and Means].—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Social Security (Contributions) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the following provisions—

National health service allocation

(1) In section 162(5) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (destination of contributions: national health service allocation), in paragraph (a) (allocation in case of primary Class 1 contributions) for the words from "the earnings" to the end substitute "so much of the earnings in respect of which those contributions were paid as exceeded the lower earnings limit but did not exceed the upper earnings limit;".

(2) After subsection (6) of that section insert—

"(6A) In the case of earners paid other than weekly, the reference in paragraph (a) of subsection (5) above to the lower or upper earnings limit shall be taken as a reference to the equivalent of that limit prescribed under section 8(3) of the Contributions and Benefits Act.".

(3) The above amendments shall be deemed to have had effect as from the commencement of the 1992 Act; and corresponding amendments to section 134 of the Social Security Act 1975 shall be deemed to have had effect as from the commencement of section 1 of the Social Security Act 1989.—(Mr William Hague);

Mr Greg Knight rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Andrew MacKay: 249.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Eddie Loyden: 41.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 251.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eddie Loyden, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 37.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Social Security (Contributions) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the following provisions—

**National health service allocation**

1. In section 162(5) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (destination of contributions: national health service allocation), in paragraph (a) (allocation in case of primary Class 1 contributions) for the words from "the earnings" to the end substitute "so much of the earnings in respect of which those contributions were paid as exceeded the lower earnings limit but did not exceed the upper earnings limit;".

2. After subsection (6) of that section insert—

"(6A) In the case of earners paid other than weekly, the reference in paragraph (a) of subsection (5) above to the lower or upper earnings limit shall be taken as a reference to the equivalent of that limit prescribed under section 8(3) of the Contributions and Benefits Act."

3. The above amendments shall be deemed to have had effect as from the commencement of the 1992 Act; and corresponding amendments to section 134 of the Social Security Act 1975 shall be deemed to have had effect as from the commencement of section 1 of the Social Security Act 1989.

11 Public Petitions, A Public Petition from residents of Maple Cross against noise pollution from Denham Aerodrome was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

12 Strangers, Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jimmy Wray, Mr Kevin Hughes: 6.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 82.

So the Question was negatived.

13 Public Petitions, Public Petitions from—

1. residents of Letchworth against the siting of a clinical waste incinerator in Stotfold Road, and

2. residents of Gravesham for reconsideration of the route of the high speed rail link were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment, Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Irvine Patnick.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes to Four o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 3.37 a.m.]

**APPENDIX I**

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Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

**Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:**


3. Cultural Objects, —Draft Return of Cultural Objects Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

5 Insurance, — Insurance Companies (Switzerland) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3127), dated 13th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

6 Census, — (1) Report, and (2) Topic Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on communal establishments in Great Britain for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

7 Criminal Injuries Compensation, — Paper, entitled Compensating Victims of Violent Crime: Changes to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme [by Command] [Cm. 2434] [Mr Secretary Howard].

8 Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation), — Report on care in Wales for people with a mental illness and people with a mental handicap [by Act]; to be printed [No. 106] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

9 Employment Protection, — Accounts of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service — Certification Officer — Central Arbitration Committee for 1992–93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 117] [Clerk of the House].

10 Gas Levy, — Gas Levy Account for 1992–93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 113] [Clerk of the House].

11 National Audit, — Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency: Quality of Service to Customers [by Act]; to be printed [No. 105] [Clerk of the House].

12 Public Lending Right, — Report of the Secretary of State for National Heritage on the Public Lending Right Scheme for 1992–93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 61] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

13 Science and Technology, — Accounts of (1) the Economic and Social Research Council, (2) the Natural Environment Research Council, and (3) the Science and Engineering Research Council for 1992–93; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 114, 115 and 116] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee A, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated twenty-four Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Sunday Trading Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4) viz.: Mr Michael Alison, Mr David Alton, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Kevin Barron, Mr Hugh Bayley, Mr James Couchman, Ms Angela Eagle, Mr Derek Enright, Mr Michael Fabricant, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Kevin Hughes, Glenda Jackson, Lynne Jones, Mr Peter Lloyd, Mr Peter Luff, Mr John Marshall, Mr Piers Merchant, Mr Stephen Milligan, Mr James Paice, Mr Ray Powell, Joan Ruddock, Dame Angela Rumbold, Mr David Wilshire and Audrey Wise.

2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993, viz.: Mr Robert Ainsworth, Mr A. J. Beith, Dr Roger Berry, Mr Clive Betts, Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr James Clappison, Mr David Congdon, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Mr John Horam, Sir Ralph Howell, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Alan Milburn, Sir David Mitchell, Mr Eric Pickles, Mrs Barbara Roche and Dr Ian Twinn.

3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993, viz.: Mr David Amess, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Jamie Cann, Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr John Denham, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Mr
APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 67-ii] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Broadcasting, First Report from the Broadcasting Committee [Developing the Use of the Parliamentary Broadcasting Archives], together with Appendices; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 112] [Mr Tony Newton].

3 Defence, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 118-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

4 Education, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 15th December; to be printed [Nos. 45-ii and -iii] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

5 Environment, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 15th December; to be printed [Nos. 63-ii and 90-iii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

6 European Legislation, Third Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-iii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

7 Foreign Affairs, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 37-v] [Mr David Howell].

8 Home Affairs, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 121-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 15th December; to be printed [No. 64-iii] [Mr James Pawsey].

10 Public Accounts, (1) Fifth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Export Credits Guarantee Department: Trading Account 1991-92]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 122];

(2) Sixth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Office of Telecommunications: Licence Compliance and Consumer Protection]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 123]; and

(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 15th December; to be printed [No. 124-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

11 Science and Technology, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 74-iii] [Sir Giles Shaw].

12 Scottish Affairs, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 62-ii] [Mr William McKelvey].

13 Social Security, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 125-i] [Mr Frank Field].

14 Trade and Industry, (1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 41-iv]; and

(2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee [Mr Richard Caborn].

15 Transport, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 120-i] [Mr Paul Channon].

16 Treasury and Civil Service, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 87-iv] [Mr John Watts].

17 Welsh Affairs, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 15th December; to be printed [No. 35-iii] [Mr Gareth Wardell].
MEMORANDA

Wednesday 15th December 1993

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of Standing Committees), the Speaker allocated—
   (1) the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993, to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
   (2) the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993, to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), the Speaker appointed—
   (1) Mr Barry Jones Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993;
   (2) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993; and
   (3) Mr James Hill Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 6625/93, relating to special rehabilitation support programmes in developing countries.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. COM(93)551, relating to the Green Paper on European Social Policy Options for the Union, has been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 21.]

Thursday 16th December 1993.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That, in accordance with Standing Order 81 relating to Private Business (Division of bills between this House and the House of Lords), he had conferred with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and they had determined that the Bills contained in the following list should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:
   Bodmin Moor Commons
   City of Westminster
   Commons Registration (East Sussex)
   Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust

and that the Bills contained in the following list should originate in the House of Commons, viz.:
   Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry
   Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment)
   Sheffield Assay Office
   University of London.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
5 Non-Domestic Rating Bill. — Mr Secretary Gummer, supported by Mr Michael Portillo, Mr Secretary Redwood, Mr David Curry and Mr Tony Baldry, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to non-domestic rating for the financial year beginning in 1994 and subsequent financial years; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 8].

6 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill. — Mr Secretary Howard, supported by The Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Gummer, Mr Secretary Lang, Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew, Mrs Secretary Bottomley, Mr Secretary Redwood and Mr David Maclean, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the prevention of terrorism; to create new offences and make further provision in relation to obscenity and pornography and the enforcement of the Video Recordings Act 1984; to make further provision in relation to the recovery of possession of land from squatters and to make related amendments and repeals in certain enactments relating to gipsy caravan sites; to create further powers and offences for the prevention of terrorist activities; to amend the law relating to obscenity and pornography and the enforcement of the Video Recordings Act 1984; to make further provision in relation to prisons, the provision of prison services and employment in the prison service; to amend the law relating to the transfer of offenders; to authorise the payment of grants for expenditure on measures for the prevention of crime or reduction of the fear of crime or for security at party conferences; and for purposes connected with those purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 9].

7 Bank of England (Amendment). — Mr Nicholas Budgen, supported by Sir Terence Higgins, Mr Richard Shepherd, Mr John Watts, Mr Giles Radice, Mr A. J. Beith, Sir Thomas Arnold, Mr Barry Legg, Mr Brian Sedgemore, Mr Quentin Davies and Mr Nigel Forman, presented a Bill to amend the Bank of England Act 1946 so as to remove the general power of the Treasury to give directions to the Governor of the Bank; to establish price stability as the primary objective of the Bank and for purpose to provide for the carrying out of this objective; to enable the Treasury to override this primary objective in certain circumstances; to make provision as to the annual report of the Bank; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 30th January and to be printed [Bill 10].

8 Energy Conservation Bill. — Mr A. J. Beith, supported by Mr Robert B. Jones, Mr Clive Soley, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Cynog Dafis, Mr Andrew Welsh, Mr Roy Beggs, Sir John Hannam, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr Gary Waller, Mr Malcolm Wicks and Mr Andrew Robathan, presented a Bill to make provision for the conducting of energy audits and the drawing up of energy conservation plans and priorities for residential properties in their areas by local authorities in the United Kingdom; to give the Secretary of State powers to set timetables for such plans and for works arising from them; and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th February and to be printed [Bill 11].

9 Tobacco Advertising Bill. — Mr Kevin Barron, supported by Mr Hugh Bayley, Mrs Edwina Currie, Mr Donald Dewar, Sir Peter Emery, Sir John Hannam, Mr Gerald Kaufman, Mr Roger Sims, The Reverend Martin Smyth, Sir David Steel, Mrs Ann Taylor and Mr Dafydd Wigley, presented a Bill to make illegal the advertisement of tobacco and products containing tobacco other than at the point of sale; to make illegal the promotion by other means of tobacco and products containing tobacco; and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th February and to be printed [Bill 12].

10 Chiropractors Bill. — Mr David Lidington, supported by Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr Alan Simpson, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr David Tredinnick, Mr William Cash, Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown, Mr Peter Butler, Alice Mahon, Mr Doug Hoyle, Jean Corston and Mr David Atkinson, presented a Bill to establish a body to be known as the General Chiropractic Council; to provide for the regulation of the chiropractic profession, including making provision as to the registration of chiropractors and as to their professional education and conduct; to make provision in connection with the development and promotion of the profession; to amend, and make provision in connection with, the Osteopaths Act 1993; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 18th February and to be printed [Bill 13].
11 Antarctic Bill,—Mr Michael Jopling, supported by Dr John Cunningham, Mr David Howell, Sir David Steel, Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman and Mr Chris Smith, presented a Bill to make new provision in connection with the Antarctic Treaty signed at Washington on 1st December 1959; to make provision consequent on the Protocol on Environmental Protection to that Treaty done at Madrid on 4th October 1991; to make provision consequent on the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources drawn up at Canberra on 20th May 1980; to provide for the taking of criminal proceedings against, and the punishment of, British citizens and others in respect of certain acts and omissions occurring in that part of Antarctica that lies between 150° West longitude and 90° West longitude; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 25th February and to be printed [Bill 14].

12 Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill,—Mr Peter Atkinson, supported by Mr Sebastian Coe, Sir Paul Beresford, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown, Mr John McWilliam, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr John Greenaway and Mr David Harris, presented a Bill to make provision, in connection with sporting or social events held on roads or entertainments so held, for the restriction or regulation of traffic on roads; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed [Bill 15].

13 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—Dr Roger Berry, supported by Mr Alfred Morris, Sir John Hannam, Sir David Steel, Mr Dalbyd Wigley, The Reverend Martin Smyth, Sir Richard Body, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Richard Shepherd, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mrs Margaret Ewing and Mr Robert N. Wareing, presented a Bill to prohibit discrimination against disabled people on the ground of their disability; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 16].

14 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill,—Mr Stanley Orme, supported by Mr Richard Burden, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr John Denham, Mr Bill Etherington, Mr Frank Field, Mr Simon Hughes, Helen Jackson, Mr Rhodri Morgan, Mr Edward O'Hara, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock and Mr Paul Tyler, presented a Bill to amend the Water Industry Act 1991 so as to remove the powers of water undertakers to disconnect residential premises in cases of non-payment of charges; to constrain the installation of pre-payment devices for the supply of water; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 25th February and to be printed [Bill 17].

15 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—Mr Nigel Spearing, supported by Mr Ray Powell, Diane Abbott and Mr Don Foster, presented a Bill to require local authorities to have regard to the need for securing that provision is made for pupils who have not attained the age of five years by the provision of nursery education as in section 8(2)(b) of the Education Act 1944; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 18th February and to be printed [Bill 18].

16 Protection of Dogs Bill,—Mr Alan Williams, supported by Sir Teddy Taylor, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Andrew Bowden, Mr Simon Hughes and Sir Terence Higgins, presented a Bill to make it an offence to cause or allow a dog to enter the subterranean refuge of any wild animal; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th February and to be printed [Bill 19].

17 Race Relations (Remedies) Bill,—Mr Keith Vaz, supported by Ms Harriet Harman, Mr Max Madden, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Sebastian Cole, Mr Gyles Brandreth, Sir Ivan Lawrence, Diane Abbott, Mr David Trimble and Mr Andrew Welsh, presented a Bill to remove the limit imposed by subsection (2) of section 56 of the Race Relations Act 1976 on the amount of compensation which may be awarded under that section and to make provision for interest in connection with sums so awarded; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th February and to be printed [Bill 20].

18 Parliamentary Commissioner Bill,—Mr Gerald Malone, supported by Mr Hartley Booth, Mr Peter Butler, Mr John Denham, Mrs Angela Knight, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Rod Richards, Mr Tim Smith, Mr Peter Atkinson and Mr James Wallace, presented a Bill to include among the matters subject to investigation by the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration acts taken in the exercise of administrative functions by the administrative staff of certain tribunals: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 25th February and to be printed [Bill 21].

19 Sale and Supply of Goods Bill,—Mr David Clelland, supported by Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Stephen Day, Mr Jim Dowd, Mrs Lin Golding, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Martin Jones, Mr Stephen Milligan, Mr Richard Page and Mr Alan W. Williams, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to the sale of goods; to make
provision as to the terms to be implied in certain agreements for the transfer of property in or the hire of goods, in hire-purchase agreements and on the exchange of goods for trading stamps and as to the remedies for breach of the terms of such agreements; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th February and to be printed [Bill 22].

20 Racial Hatred and Violence Bill, — Mr Hartley Booth, supported by Mr Michael Alison, Mr Nirj Joseph Deva, Mr John Gorst, Mr James Clappison, Mr Anthony Steen, Mr Keith Vaz, Sir Rhodes Boyson, Mr Michael Bates, Mr David Sumberg, Mr Spencer Batiste and Mr Greville Janner, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to racial hatred; to strengthen the Public Order Act 1986 and the Malicious Communications Act 1988; to make new provisions to combat group defamation; to enable the courts to impose greater penalties in criminal cases involving racial hatred; and to make further provisions to amend the law relating to racial discrimination: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 23].

21 Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill, — Mr David Harris, supported by Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr Eric Clarke, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Barry Field, Mr John Horam, Mr Richard Page, Mr David Porter, Sir Keith Speed, Mr James Wallace and Joan Walley, presented a Bill to make further provision in relation to marine salvage and the discharge of functions of the Secretary of State in connection therewith; and for purposes connected with those purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 28th January and to be printed [Bill 24].

22 Insolvency Bill, — Mr John Butterfill, supported by Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Sir Ralph Howell, Mr Greville Janner, Dr Ian Twinn, Mr Richard Caborn and Mr Philip Oppenheim, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to company insolvency and winding up, and the insolvency and bankruptcy of individuals, so far as it concerns the adjustment of certain transactions; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 14th January and to be printed [Bill 25].

23 Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill, — Mr John McAllion, supported by Mr Clive Soley, Mr Win Griffiths, Mr Frank Cook, Mr Gary Waller, Mr Andrew Robathan, Sir David Knox, Mr Cynog Dafis, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Ernie Ross and Mr William McKelvey, presented a Bill to require the insulation against heat loss of dwelling units provided by the conversion of existing dwellings; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th February and to be printed [Bill 26].

24 Small Business Bill, — Sir Michael Grylls, supported by Mr Nigel Evans, Mr Richard Spring, Mr Richard Page, Mr John Townend, Mr David Shaw, Mr William Cash, Mr Andrew Rowe, Mr Peter Thornham and Mrs Angela Browning, presented a Bill to place upon the Secretary of State a duty to promote the growth of small businesses; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 25th February and to be printed [Bill 27].

25 Women into Parliament Bill, — Mrs Teresa Gorman presented a Bill to amend the Representation of the People Acts with a view to increasing the number of women elected to Parliament; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed [Bill 28].

26 Safety in Schools Bill, — Mr David Porter presented a Bill to require schools to make certain provisions in case of fire, accident and other emergency; and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 18th February and to be printed [Bill 29].

27 Social Security (Contributions) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security (Contributions) Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time; And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question already proposed from the Chair, pursuant to the Order [14th December].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Andrew MacKay: 310.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Spellar: 259.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Committee of the whole House, pursuant to the Order.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, pursuant to the Order.
(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Increase in primary class I contributions).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr James Arbuthnot: 286.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 211.

Clause No. 2 (National health service allocation).

Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 1, line 22, to leave out subsection (3)—(Mr Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 3 to 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Annual Report to Parliament)—(Mr Donald Dewar)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill to the House, pursuant to the Order.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Timothy Kirkhope reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion was made and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time.

And it being six hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Second Reading of the Bill, the Deputy Speaker put the Question already proposed from the Chair, pursuant to the Order.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 303.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 256.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

28 European Communities' Own Resources.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9298/93 + COR 1, relating to the Communities' own resources; and endorses the Government's objective of ensuring that the new Own Resources Decision is in accordance with the financing decisions taken by the Edinburgh European Council of 11th and 12th December 1992—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 282.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Derek Enright: 145.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9298/93 + COR 1, relating to the Communities' own resources; and endorses the Government's objective of ensuring that the new Own Resources Decision is in accordance with the financing decisions taken by the Edinburgh European Council of 11th and 12th December 1992.

29 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

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And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then four minutes past Twelve o'clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.4 a.m.]
APPENDIX I
Thursday 16th December 1993
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education, — Education (European Economic Area) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3183), dated 15th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

2 Income Tax, — Taxes (Interest Rate) (Amendment No. 4) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3171), dated 16th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

3 Marriage, — Marriage Fees (Scotland) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3152), dated 14th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

4 National Health Service, — National Health Service (General Dental Services) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3172), dated 15th December 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 Open Spaces, — Draft Hyde Park and The Regent's Park (Vehicle Parking) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

6 Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Etc., — (1) Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Divorces (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3153), dated 14th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang];

   (2) Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3116), dated 10th December 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley]; and

   (3) Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3151), dated 14th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 Social Security, — Income Support (General) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3121), dated 16th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

8 Community Service by Offenders (Scotland), — Report of Working of Community Service Schemes and Working of Supervised Attendance Order Schemes for 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

9 Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation), — Report on the development of services for people with learning disabilities (mental handicap) or mental illness in England [by Act]; to be printed [No. 86] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

10 Greenwich Hospital and Travers Foundation, — Accounts of the Greenwich Hospital and Travers Foundation for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 127] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

11 International Labour Conference, — Presentation of a convention and recommendation adopted at the 79th Session of the International Labour Conference (1992) and the proposed action by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the convention and recommendation [by Command] [Cm. 2433] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

12 National Loans, — (1) Accounts of the Consolidated Fund and National Loans Fund for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 51] [Clerk of the House]; and

   (2) Supplementary Statements of the Accounts of the Consolidated Fund and the National Loans Fund for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 52] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].


APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Northern Ireland Committee, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated twenty-three additional Members to serve on the Northern Ireland Committee for the remainder of this Session, unless otherwise ordered by the Committee, viz.: Mr Michael Ancram, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Alan Duncan, Mr Jonathan Evans, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Andrew Hunter, Helen Jackson, Mr Bernard Jenkin, Mr David Lidington, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Kevin McNamara, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr William O'Brien, Bridget Prentice, Mr Andrew Robathan, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr Roger Stott and Mr John Whittingdale.
APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 16th December; to be printed [No. 80-ii] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 Home Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 16th December; to be printed [No. 126-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

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The House met at half-past Nine o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Selection, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Select Committees, — Minutes of Evidence were reported from another Select Committee (see Appendix III).

4 Message from the Lords, — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund Bill, without Amendment.

5 Adjournment, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

6 Royal Assent, — The Deputy Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Act, agreed upon by both Houses:

Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Act 1993.

7 Adjournment, — The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn;

8 Strangers, — Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.

The House proceeded to a Division; but, no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Ayes, the Deputy Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

9 Adjournment, — The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn;

And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

10 Non-Domestic Rating Bill, — Ordered, That, in respect of the Non-Domestic Rating Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time. — (Mr Sydney Chapman.)

11 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Sydney Chapman.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes to Three o’clock, adjourned till Tuesday 11th January, pursuant to Resolution [3rd December].

[Adjourned at 2.57 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
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Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Scientific Research, — Draft Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council Order 1994,
Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


3 Education,—(1) Education (Acquisition of Grant-maintained Status) (Ballot Information) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3189), dated 16th December 1993,

(2) Education (Grant-maintained Schools) (Initial Sponsor Governors) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3188), dated 16th December 1993, and


[by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

4 Education (Scotland),—Education (European Economic Area) (Scotland) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3184), dated 16th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 Value Added Tax,—Finance Act 1985 (Interest on Tax) (Prescribed Rate) (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3168), dated 16th December 1993 [by Act] [Sir John Cope].

Other Papers:

6 Broadcasting,—Accounts of the Radio Authority for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General theron [by Act]; to be printed [No. 129] [Clerk of the House].

7 Census,—Reports of—

(1) the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on Household Composition in Great Britain, and

(2) the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys on Regional Health Authorities in England—

(i) Part 1, and

(ii) Part 2

for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Consumer Protection, —Report by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on consumer safety for the period 1988-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 55] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

9 Covent Garden Market, —Report and Accounts of the Covent Garden Market Authority for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

10 Overseas Pensions, —Uganda (European Officers) Public Officers' Widows' and Orphans' Pensions (United Kingdom) (Amendment) Scheme 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 Royal Hospital, Chelsea,—Accounts of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea: Army Prize Money and Legacy Funds, &c. for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 128] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr Michael Alison (nominated in respect of the Sunday Trading Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4); and had appointed in substitution Mrs Angela Browning.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

Transport,—Memorandum laid before the Transport Committee [Mr Paul Channon].
Tuesday 11th January 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bill Petitions,—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petitions for the following Bills, the Standing Orders have been complied with, viz.:
   Bodmin Moor Commons
   Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry
   City of Westminster
   Commons Registration (East Sussex)
   Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment)
   Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust
   Sheffield Assay Office
   University of London.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Insolvency Bill,—The Order for reading the Insolvency Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.
   Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25th February.

5 Human Rights Bill,—Mr Graham Allen presented a Bill to provide protection to individuals and in the courts of the United Kingdom for the rights and freedoms specified in the European Convention of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms; to entrench those rights and freedoms; to establish a Human Rights Commission; to make further provision with regard to the protection of civil, political, economic and social rights; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday 25th January and to be printed [Bill 30].

6 Hedgerows Bill,—Mr Peter Hardy, supported by Mr Peter L. Pike, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Martin Redmond, Mr Patrick Cormack, Mr Hugh Bayley, Mr Gary Waller, Mr Paul Tyler, Sir Dudley Smith, Mr Alan Meale and Sir David Madel presented a Bill for the protection and maintenance of boundary hedges, hedges bordering footpaths, bridleways and highways and other hedgerows and thorn fences: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 31].

7 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill;
   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
   An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House believes that the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill is not an acceptable and effective measure to tackle crime unless it includes the following: a proper statutory framework for crime prevention and other measures to prevent crime; the provision of a full and comprehensive range of treatment and punishment for young offenders including local authority secure accommodation; measures to introduce cautioning and bail support and enforcement programmes in all areas of the country; programmes for drug education for young people available in all local authorities with funding ring-fenced; measures to tackle the link between truancy and crime; measures to strengthen the law on racial harassment and violence; a legal right on the part of victims of crime to be consulted when the Crown Prosecution Service decides to change or drop the charges for the offence in respect of which they are the victims, together with a written statement of the reasons for the decision; measures to tackle the provision of dangerous weapons particularly by mail-order supply; the establishment of a proper independent Judicial Appointments Commission for the appointment of judges; and the setting up of an Independent Review Authority for miscarriages of justice as recommended by the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice', instead thereof. (Mr Tony Blair.)
   And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Jack Thompson: 275.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 319.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading): — It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

8 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill [Money], — Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill ("the Bill"), it is expedient to authorise —

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required by the Secretary of State —

(a) for making grants —

(i) in connection with measures intended to prevent crime or reduce the fear of crime;

(ii) towards security costs incurred in relation to party conferences in Great Britain;

(b) for making payments under contracts made by him with other persons for the provision by those other persons of premises, services or the discharge of functions for or in relation to offenders and other persons;

(c) in respect of administrative expenses incurred by him under the Act;

(d) for defraying the expenses of members of lay panels of observers charged with duties in relation to offenders transported or held in pursuance of escort arrangements made by him under the Act; and

(2) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money provided by Parliament — (Mr Andrew Mitchell); 

And it being three quarters of an hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr James Arbuthnot: 313.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bill Olner, Mr George Mudie: 111.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill ("the Bill"), it is expedient to authorise —

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required by the Secretary of State —

(a) for making grants —

(i) in connection with measures intended to prevent crime or reduce the fear of crime;

(ii) towards security costs incurred in relation to party conferences in Great Britain;

(b) for making payments under contracts made by him with other persons for the provision by those other persons of premises, services or the discharge of functions for or in relation to offenders and other persons;

(c) in respect of administrative expenses incurred by him under the Act;

(d) for defraying the expenses of members of lay panels of observers charged with duties in relation to offenders transported or held in pursuance of escort arrangements made by him under the Act; and

(2) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money provided by Parliament.

9 Non-Domestic Rating Bill [Money], — Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Non-Domestic Rating Bill [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Non-Domestic Rating Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under the Local Government Finance Act 1988 — (Mr Timothy Wood);
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And it being three quarters of an hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 296.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Kevin Hughes: 59.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Non-Domestic Rating Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under the Local Government Finance Act 1988.

10 Administration, — Ordered, That Mr Jacques Arnold be discharged from the Administration Committee and Mr Iain Duncan Smith be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

11 Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from residents of Thornaby-on-Tees for the town to have its own postal code was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

12 Adjournment, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seventeen minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.43 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 137 (Presentation of command papers):

1 Monopolies and Mergers, — Reports by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on—

   (1) the acquisition by Guardian and Manchester Evening News plc of Thames Valley Newspapers, and
   (2) the service provided by the British Waterways Board

[Cm. 2438 and 2431] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

20th December 1993

2 Court of Session (Scotland), — Appointment of Judges as Arbiters (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3125), dated 8th December 1993 [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Sea Fisheries, — (1) Cod and Saithe (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3192), and

   (2) Haddock, Hake, Nephrops, Plaice and Sole (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3193),

   dated 20th December 1993 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

21st December 1993


22nd December 1993


   (2) Retirement Benefits Schemes (Continuation of Rights of Members of Approved Schemes) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3220), and  
   (3) Retirement Benefits Schemes (Tax Relief on Contributions) (Disapplication of Earnings Cap) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3221),  
   dated 22nd December 1993 [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

22nd December 1993


22nd December 1993

9 Public Procurement,—(1) Public Services Contracts Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3228), and  
   (2) Utilities Supply and Works Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3227),  
   dated 22nd December 1993 [Mr Michael Portillo].

22nd December 1993

10 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Redundancy Payments (National Health Service) (Modification) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3167), dated 16th December 1993 [Mr Secretary Hunt].

23rd December 1993

11 Agriculture,—(1) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Argyll Islands) Designation Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3136),  
   (2) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Machair of the Uists and Benbecula, Barra and Vatersay) Designation Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3149), and  
   (3) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Shetland Islands) Designation Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3150),  
   dated 13th December 1993 [Mr Secretary Lang].

23rd December 1993


22nd December 1993


22nd December 1993


15 Social Security,—Social Security (Severe Disablement Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3194), dated 20th December 1993 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

30th December 1993

16 Agriculture,—(1) Animals and Animal Products (Import and Export) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3247), and  
   (2) Artificial Breeding of Sheep and Goats Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3248),  
   dated 24th December 1993 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

31st December 1993

17 Bee Diseases,—Importation of Bees (Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3249), dated 24th December 1993 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

31st December 1993

18 Customs and Excise,—Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and other Reliefs) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3254), dated 30th December 1993 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

19 Medicines,—Medicines (Products Other Than Veterinary Drugs) (Prescription Only) Amendment (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3256), dated 31st December 1993 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

20 Parliament,—(1) Parliamentary Pensions (Additional Voluntary Contributions Scheme) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3252), and  
   (2) Parliamentary Pensions (Consolidation and Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3253),  
   dated 24th December 1993 [Mr Tony Newton].
4th January 1994


5th January 1994

22 Tribunals and Inquiries,—Tribunals and Inquiries (Friendly Societies) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3258), dated 17th December 1993 [Mr John M. Taylor].

7th January 1994

23 Council Tax (Scotland),—Council Tax (Transitional Reduction Scheme) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3236), dated 21st December 1993 [Mr Secretary Lang].

24 Merchant Shipping,—(1) Merchant Shipping (Fire Appliances) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3162), dated 14th December 1993,
(2) Merchant Shipping (Fire Protection) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3163), dated 14th December 1993,
(3) Merchant Shipping (Fire Protection) (Non-United Kingdom) (Non-SOLAS Ships) (Amendment) Rules 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3161), dated 14th December 1993,
(5) Merchant Shipping (Musters and Training) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3231), dated 21st December 1993,
(6) Merchant Shipping (Pilot Ladders and Hoists) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3232), dated 21st December 1993, and
(7) Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3138), dated 14th December 1993 [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

10th January 1994

25 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—(1) Exempt Entertainments (Variation of Monetary Limit) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3222),
(2) Lotteries (Gaming Board Fees) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3224), and
(3) Lotteries Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3223), dated 18th December 1993 [Mr Secretary Howard].

(2) Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) Act 1990 (Enforcement of Overseas Forfeiture Orders) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3148), and

27 Criminal Law (Scotland),—Confiscation of the Proceeds of Drug Trafficking (Designated Countries and Territories) (Scotland) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3156), and


29 Hong Kong,—Hong Kong (Legislative Powers) (Amendment) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3145), dated 16th December 1993 [Mr Tony Newton].

30 Road Traffic,—Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Boroughs of Richmond upon Thames and Southwark) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3239), dated 23rd December 1993 [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:

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30th December 1993


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Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

34 Pensions, — Pensions Increase (Approved Schemes) (National Health Service) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3235), dated 15th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


Other Papers:

36 Census, — (1) Postcode Sector Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the South West for the 1991 Census,
(2) Report of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on ethnic group and country of birth in Great Britain for the 1991 Census,
(3) Report of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys on Wales (Part 2) for the 1991 Census,
(4) Topic Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on household composition in Great Britain for the 1991 Census, and
(i) Avon,
(ii) Bedfordshire,
(iii) Berkshire,
(iv) Devon,
(v) Gloucestershire,
(vi) Tyne and Wear,
(vii) West Midlands, and
(viii) Wiltshire
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

37 Census of Production, — (1) Report on the Census of Production, 1991; summary volume, and
(2) Report on the Census of Production, 1992, on glass and glassware
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

38 European Communities (No. 1, 1994), — Europe Agreement, done at Luxembourg on 4th October 1993, establishing an association between the European Communities and their member states, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic, of the other part, including exchanges of letters with declarations and final act [by Command] [Cm. 2435] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

39 Environment, — Department of the Environment Minute, dated 11th January 1994, on a contingent liability consequent on tax liability of the Docklands Light Railway [by Command] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

40 Food Safety, — Food Safety Act 1990 Code of Practice No. 14, on enforcement of the Food Safety (Live Bivalve Molluscs & Other Shellfish) Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

41 Land Registration, — (1) Land Registration (Official Searches) Rules 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3276), and
(2) Land Registration Rules 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3275), dated 14th December 1993 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

42 Law Commissions, — Report by the Law Commission on the law of trusts: delegation by individual trustees [by Act]; to be printed [No. 110] [Mr John M. Taylor].

43 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Sports Council: initiatives to improve financial management and control and value for money [by Act]; to be printed [No. 131] [Clerk of the House].
MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 11th January 1994

Chairmen of Standing Committees, — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mrs Ann Winterton Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993, in place of Mr Barry Jones; and

(2) Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 6625/93, relating to special rehabilitation support programmes in developing countries, in place of Mr James Hill.

[No. 24.]

Wednesday 12th January 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 London Underground (Green Park) Bill, — A Motion being made, That the London Underground (Green Park) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Tim Sainsbury, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:— It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

2 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

3 Selection, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees, — Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 European Standing Committee B, — Mr Nicholas Winterton reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:
That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 6625/93, relating to the European Commission’s proposed rehabilitation support programme in developing countries; and supports the Government’s policy towards the proposed programme.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill.—Mr Secretary Lilley, supported by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Gummer, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew, Mrs Secretary Bottomley, Mr Secretary Redwood and Mr Nicholas Scott, presented a Bill to provide for incapacity benefit in place of sickness benefit and invalidity benefit; to make provision as to the test of incapacity for work for the purposes of that benefit and other social security purposes; to make provision as to the rate of statutory sick pay; to make other amendments as to certain allowances payable to a person who is or has been incapable of work; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow and to be printed [Bill 32].

7 Northern Ireland Committee,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 99 (Northern Ireland Committee), That the Matter of the health service in Northern Ireland, being a Matter relating exclusively to Northern Ireland, be referred to the Northern Ireland Committee for its consideration—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

8 Non-Domestic Rating Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Non-Domestic Rating Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House declines to give a Second Reading to the Non-Domestic Rating Bill because it fails, in future years, to guarantee that any shortfall in the rating pool will be made up by the Secretary of State, fails to guarantee that the cost of transitional arrangements for non-domestic ratepayers will not be borne by council tax payers and fails to make the Secretary of State sufficiently accountable to Parliament', instead thereof.—(Mr Jack Straw.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Eric Illsley: 253.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Irvine Patnick: 327.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Andrew MacKay: 325.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 138.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Comittal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 327.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 247.

So the Question was agreed to.

Committee to-morrow.
9 Insider Dealing,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Insider Dealing (Securities and Regulated Markets) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 8th December, be approved—(Mr Anthony Nelson);

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And the Question being put;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 309.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Alan Meale: 232.
So the Question was agreed to.
Resolved, That the draft Insider Dealing (Securities and Regulated Markets) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 8th December, be approved.

10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr James Arbuthnot);
And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Wednesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then nineteen minutes past One o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
[Adjourned at 1.19 a.m.

APPENDIX I
Wednesday 12th January 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Census.—Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the 1991 Census for
   (1) Cambridgeshire, and
   (2) South Yorkshire
   [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 Local Government (Scotland).—Scottish Local Government Financial Statistics for 1991-92
   [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection
Standing Committee B,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated twenty-eight Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, viz.: Mr Jacques Arnold, Mr Michael Bates, Mr Peter Butler, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr James Clappison, Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown, Ann Coffey, Mr Derek Conway, Jean Corston, Mr Jonathan Evans, Mr Roger Evans, Dr Liam Fox, Mr John Fraser, Mr Neil Gerrard, Cheryl Gillan, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr John Gunnell, Mr Nick Hawkins, Mr Oliver Heald, Mr David Maclean, Mr Robert Maclean, Lady Olga Maitland, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Alun Michael, Mr Mike O'Brien, Bridget Prentice, Mr David Trimble and Mr Charles Wardle.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 12th January; to be printed [No. 67-iii] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 11th January; to be printed [No. 32-iv] [Mr Greville Janner].

3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 12th January; to be printed [No. 63-iii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 12th January; to be printed [No. 41-v] [Mr Richard Caborn].

   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 12th January; to be printed [Nos. 136 and 137-i] [Mr Paul Channon].
6 Treasury and Civil Service,—Second Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [The November 1993 Budget], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 87] [Mr John Watts].

7 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 12th January; to be printed [No. 35-iv] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 12th January 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill to Standing Committee B.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Patrick Cormack and Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody Chairmen of Standing Committee B in respect of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill;

(2) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of the economy in Scotland in place of Mr Norman Hogg; and

(3) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Northern Ireland Committee in respect of the Matter of the health service in Northern Ireland.


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mrs Ann Winterton reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993, referred to a Committee on 7th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 149].

4 Hedgerows Bill,—The Order for reading the Hedgerows Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 4th February.

5 Non-Domestic Rating (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Non-Domestic Rating Bill:

Committee, Report and Third Reading

1.—(1) The proceedings in Committee and on consideration and Third Reading of the Bill shall be completed at this day's sitting and, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at Ten o'clock.
(2) On the conclusion of the proceedings in Committee the Chairman shall report the
Bill to the House without putting any Question and, if he reports the Bill with
amendments, the House shall proceed to consider the Bill as amended without any
Question being put.

(3) No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which proceedings in Committee or
on consideration of the Bill are taken.

(4) Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) shall not apply to this Order.

**Conclusion of proceedings**

2.—(1) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which have not
previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or the Speaker shall, subject to
sub-paragraph (2), forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

(a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;

(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed;

(c) the Question on any amendment moved or Motion made by a Minister of the
Crown;

(d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded.

(2) If, apart from this sub-paragraph, two or more Questions would fall to be put by
the Chairman under sub-paragraph (1)(d) that successive clauses should stand part of
the Bill, the Chairman shall instead put the single Question that each of those clauses shall so
stand part.

(3) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) or (2) shall not be interrupted under any
Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(4) If at this day’s sitting a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing
Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent
consideration) stands over to Seven o’clock, the bringing to a conclusion of any
proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion after
that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that
Motion.

**Extra time**

3. Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to
proceedings on the Bill.

**Dilatory Motions**

4. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings at this day’s
sitting on the Bill shall be made except by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on
any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

**Supplemental orders**

5.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for varying
or supplementing the provisions of this Order shall, if not previously concluded, be
brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of
Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to those proceedings.

(2) If at this day’s sitting the House is adjourned, or if this day’s sitting is suspended,
before the time at which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this
Order, no notice shall be required of a Motion moved at the next sitting by a Minister of
the Crown for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

**Saving**

6. Nothing in this Order shall prevent any proceedings to which this Order applies
from being taken or completed earlier than is required by this Order.

**Recommital**

7.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on
Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, or in
consequence of, recommittal.

(2) No debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit the Bill (whether as a
whole or otherwise), and the Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to
dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any amendment moved to the
Question—(Mr Tony Newton);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 302.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Dennis Turner: 231.

So the Question was agreed to.
6 Non-Domestic Rating Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Non-Domestic Rating Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Limit on increase in non-domestic rates for 1994 financial year).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, to leave out line 27. — (Mr Keith Vaz.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Amendments of powers to make special provision for 1995 onwards.)

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 2, line 19, at the end to insert the words—

'(2) Before making any regulations under section 58 of the 1988 Act in relation to the financial year beginning in 1995 and to subsequent financial years, the Secretary of State shall consult persons or bodies appearing to him to be representative of persons subject to non-domestic rates about the effects of the compilation of new local non-domestic rating lists on hereditaments in each of the following categories—

(a) factories;
(b) offices;
(c) shops;
(d) warehouses; and
(e) other hereditaments.'—(Mr Doug Henderson.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr John Spellar: 94.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Derek Conway: 295.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed, in page 2, to leave out lines 23 and 24. — (Mr Doug Henderson.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 3 to 5 agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill to the House, pursuant to the Order.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Derek Conway reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

7 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

And it being Ten o’clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

8 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes past Ten o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.19 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 13th January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Family Law,—Draft Child Support (Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Northern Ireland,—Criminal Justice (Confiscation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 3146), dated 16th December 1993 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].
Other Papers:

3 Local Government Finance, — Accounts of the Welsh Office: Pooling of Non-Domestic Rates and Redistribution to Local Authorities in Wales for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 143] [Clerk of the House].

4 Museums and Galleries, — Accounts of—
   (1) the National Maritime Museum,
   (2) the National Portrait Gallery, and
   (3) the Victoria and Albert Museum
for 1992-93; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 144, 148 and 140] [Clerk of the House].

5 National Heritage (Scotland), — Accounts of—
   (1) the National Galleries of Scotland,
   (2) the National Library of Scotland, and
   (3) the National Museums of Scotland
for 1992-93; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 145, 147 and 146] [Clerk of the House].

6 Science and Technology, — Accounts of the Agricultural and Food Research Council for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 141] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence, — First Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Responses to the Eighth and Ninth Reports from the Defence Committee, Session 1992-93, on the Royal Navy: Commitments and Resources and the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1993]; to be printed [No. 142] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Health, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 13th January; to be printed [No. 80-iii] [Mrs Marion Roe].

3 National Heritage, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 13th January; to be printed [No. 139-i] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

[No. 26.]

Friday 14th January 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from residents of the Midlands against unjustifiable discrimination against the disabled was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

3 Strangers, — Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Trend, Mr James Clappison: 0.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 65.

So the Question was negatived.

4 Exports and the Economy,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House recognises the importance of exports to the British economy which was highlighted in debates on the Gracious Speech; welcomes the further initiatives outlined in the Chancellor’s Budget Statement; welcomes the initiatives taken by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food to improve the marketing of British food and reduce the trade gap in food and agricultural products; supports the work of “Food From Britain” in improving the marketing of United Kingdom produce and, in particular, its new focus on export promotion; recognises that British manufacturers are amongst the more competitive in Europe; and urges continuing Government encouragement for export promotion for the benefit of the economy, employment, growers and processors, and those involved in the important work of export promotion—(Mr Richard Alexander); And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

5 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 19th January, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall not later than Seven o’clock put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Hunt relating to Employment and Training.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

6 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday 17th January.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.

APPENDIX
Friday 14th January 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Insurance,—Draft Auditors (Insurance Companies Act 1982) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

4 Local Government, Planning and Land,—Accounts of the grants and loans to the Urban Development Corporations for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 152] [Clerk of the House].

The House met at half past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 318.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 277.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Special Standing Committee—(Mr George Robertson);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 266.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 315.

So the Question was negatived.

The Bill accordingly stood committed to a Standing Committee.

4 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill [Ways and Means] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Michael Brown: 309.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 208.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill [Ways and Means] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.

5 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill [Money],

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(i) any expenses of the Secretary of State incurred in consequence of the provisions (other than any provision authorising payments out of the National Loans Fund) of the Act; and

(ii) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment;

(b) the charging on and issuing out of the Consolidated Fund of sums required by the Secretary of State for fulfilling guarantees given by him for the discharge of any financial obligations in connection with sums borrowed by any water and sewerage authority established by the Act; and
(c) the payment out of the National Loans Fund of any sums required by the Secretary of State for the purpose of making loans to any water and sewerage authority established by the Act—(Mr James Arbuthnot);

And it being three quarters of an hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 299.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr John Spellar: 122.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(i) any expenses of the Secretary of State incurred in consequence of the provisions (other than any provision authorising payments out of the National Loans Fund) of the Act; and

(ii) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment;

(b) the charging on and issuing out of the Consolidated Fund of sums required by the Secretary of State for fulfilling guarantees given by him for the discharge of any financial obligations in connection with sums borrowed by any water and sewerage authority established by the Act; and

(c) the payment out of the National Loans Fund of any sums required by the Secretary of State for the purpose of making loans to any water and sewerage authority established by the Act.

6 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill [Ways and Means].—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient—

(a) to authorise the Secretary of State to direct a water and sewerage authority established by the Act to pay him such sums as he may direct, being sums not required by them for the exercise of their functions, nor otherwise payable by them under or by virtue of any provision of the Act;

(b) to authorise the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums paid to the Secretary of State, otherwise than in repayment of any loans made by him, in consequence of any provision of the Act; and

(c) to authorise the payment into the National Loans Fund of any sums paid to the Secretary of State in repayment of loans made by him to any water and sewerage authority established by the Act—(Mr Timothy Wood);

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Mr Andrew Mitchell rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Derek Conway: 233.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Jim Cunningham: 49.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Michael Brown: 231.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Jim Cunningham: 49.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient—

(a) to authorise the Secretary of State to direct a water and sewerage authority established by the Act to pay him such sums as he may direct, being sums not required by them for the exercise of their functions, nor otherwise payable by them under or by virtue of any provision of the Act;
(b) to authorise the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums paid to the Secretary of State, otherwise than in repayment of any loans made by him, in consequence of any provision of the Act; and
(c) to authorise the payment into the National Loans Fund of any sums paid to the Secretary of State in repayment of loans made by him to any water and sewerage authority established by the Act.

7 Overseas Aid, —A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 6625/93, relating to the European Commission’s proposed rehabilitation support programme in developing countries; and supports the Government’s policy towards the proposed programme—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

8 Fishing Fleet Capacity,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 6888/93, relating to the capacities of fishing fleets in the Community, and 7378/93 and ADD 1, together with the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 19th November, relating to the Transitional Guidance Programme; notes the Court of Auditors’ criticism of Community expenditure on decommissioning; notes the measures taken by member states under their guidance programmes; and endorses the Government’s view that, in order to conserve fish stocks, a combination of measures designed to regulate fishing effort is required—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

9 National Heritage, — Ordered, That Mr Alan Howarth be discharged from the National Heritage Committee and Mr Anthony Coombs be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

10 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes past Two o’clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.  
[Adjourned at 2.26 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 17th January 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Census,—Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the 1991 Census for—
   (1) Greater Manchester, and
   (2) Merseyside
   [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on property services in the English occupied Royal Palaces [by Act]; to be printed [No. 132] [Clerk of the House].


4 Transport,—Statement of determination of salaries of the chairman, vice chairman and members of the British Waterways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees
Public Accounts,—(1) Seventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Department of Employment: The Field System]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 153];
   (2) Eighth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Proper Conduct of Public Business]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 154]; and
   (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 17th January; to be printed [No. 155-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Reports were made from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Scottish Grand Committee,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Matter of the economy in Scotland, referred to it on 7th December, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 158].

4 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill,—Mr Secretary Heseltine, suppotred by the Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Howard, Mr Secretary MacGregor, Mr Secretary Gummer, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr William Waldegrave, Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr Tim Sainsbury presented a Bill to amend, and make provision for the amendment of, statutory provisions and rules of law in order to remove or reduce certain burdens affecting persons in the carrying on of trades, businesses or professions or otherwise, and for other deregulatory purposes; to make further provision in connection with the licensing of operators of goods vehicles; to make provision for and in connection with the contracting out of certain functions vested in Ministers of the Crown, local authorities, certain governmental bodies and the holders of certain offices; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 33].

5 Abolition of Service Charges in Restaurants,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the levying of service charges in restaurants; and for connected purposes—(Mr Michael Fabricant);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr Michael Fabricant, Mr Tony Banks, Dr John G. Blackburn, Mr Robin Corbett, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr John Gorst, Mr Gerald Kaufman, Sir James Kilfedder, Sir Fergus Montgomery, Mr Bill Oliner, Dr John Reid and Mr John Sykes do prepare and bring it in.

6 Abolition of Service Charges in Restaurants Bill,—Mr Michael Fabricant accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit the levying of service charges in restaurants; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed [Bill 34].

7 Coal Industry Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Industry Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 319.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Eric Illsley: 282.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

8 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Coal Industry Bill [Ways and Means] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Irvine Patrick).
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 315.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Eric Ms ley: 278.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Coal Industry Bill [Ways and Means] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.

9 Coal Industry Bill [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Coal Industry Bill [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Coal Industry Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of the following, namely—

(a) sums required by the Secretary of State for paying to the Coal Authority established by the Act amounts required by that Authority for carrying out its functions;

(b) expenses incurred by the Treasury or the Secretary of State in consequence of provision made by the Act for the acquisition of, or of rights to subscribe for, securities of successor companies;

(c) sums required by the Secretary of State for making grants to the British Coal Corporation and to successor companies which are wholly owned by the Crown;

(d) sums required by the Secretary of State for making payments for purposes connected with the supply of concessionary coal and the payment of sums in lieu of concessionary coal;

(e) sums required by the Secretary of State for making any payment of compensation for loss of office—

(ii) to the person who is the chairman of the Domestic Coal Consumers' Council when it ceases to exist;

(f) sums required by the Secretary of State for making payments in pursuance of arrangements entered into by him for securing that the assets of an existing pension scheme are sufficient for meeting pension obligations arising under the scheme;

(g) administrative expenses incurred by the Secretary of State or the Treasury in consequence of the provisions of the Act;

(h) sums required by any Minister of the Crown or Government department for meeting obligations arising in consequence of that Minister or department becoming entitled or subject, in accordance with the scheme under the Act, to any property, rights or liabilities;

(i) increases attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act;

(2) the extinguishment of liabilities of the British Coal Corporation in respect of—

(a) sums lent to that Corporation out of money provided by Parliament;

(b) sums which are to be taken as having been so lent; and

(c) interest in respect of any such sums;

(3) the issuing out of the National Loans Fund of sums required by the Secretary of State for making loans to a successor company at a time when it is wholly owned by the Crown;

(4) the charging on and issuing out of the Consolidated Fund of sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling such guarantees given by them for the discharge of financial obligations in connection with sums borrowed by a successor company as are given in respect of such a company at a time when it is wholly owned by the Crown.

In this Resolution "successor company" means any company to whom property, rights or liabilities of the British Coal Corporation or any of its wholly-owned subsidiaries are transferred in accordance with a scheme under the Act and at a time when the company is wholly owned by the Crown—(Mr James Arbuthnot);

And it being three quarters of an hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 304.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Michael Clapham, Mr Bill Etherington: 122.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Coal Industry Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of the following, namely—

(a) sums required by the Secretary of State for paying to the Coal Authority established by the Act amounts required by that Authority for carrying out its functions;

(b) expenses incurred by the Treasury or the Secretary of State in consequence of provision made by the Act for the acquisition of, or of rights to subscribe for, securities of successor companies;

(c) sums required by the Secretary of State for making grants to the British Coal Corporation and to successor companies which are wholly owned by the Crown;

(d) sums required by the Secretary of State for making payments for purposes connected with the supply of concessionary coal and the payment of sums in lieu of concessionary coal;

(e) sums required by the Secretary of State for making any payment of compensation for loss of office—

(i) to a person who ceases to hold office as a chairman or member of the Corporation, or

(ii) to the person who is the chairman of the Domestic Coal Consumers' Council when it ceases to exist;

(f) sums required by the Secretary of State for making payments in pursuance of arrangements entered into by him for securing that the assets of an existing pension scheme are sufficient for meeting pension obligations arising under the scheme;

(g) administrative expenses incurred by the Secretary of State or the Treasury in consequence of the provisions of the Act;

(h) sums required by any Minister of the Crown or Government department for meeting obligations arising in consequence of that Minister or department becoming entitled or subject, in accordance with a scheme under the Act, to any property, rights or liabilities;

(i) increases attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act;

(2) the extinguishment of liabilities of the British Coal Corporation in respect of—

(a) sums lent to that Corporation out of money provided by Parliament;

(b) sums which are to be taken as having been so lent; and

(c) interest in respect of any such sums;

(3) the issuing out of the National Loans Fund of sums required by the Secretary of State for making loans to a successor company at a time when it is wholly owned by the Crown;

(4) the charging on and issuing out of the Consolidated Fund of sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling such guarantees given by them for the discharge of financial obligations in connection with sums borrowed by a successor company as are given in respect of such a company at a time when it is wholly owned by the Crown.

In this Resolution "successor company" means any company to whom property, rights or liabilities of the British Coal Corporation or any of its wholly-owned subsidiaries are transferred in accordance with a scheme under the Act and at a time when the company is wholly owned by the Crown.

10 Coal Industry Bill [Ways and Means].—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Coal Industry Bill, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the making by the Coal Authority established by the Act of charges for things done in the exercise and performance of its powers and duties;

(b) the imposition of charges on corporation tax by provisions relating to the taxation of persons to and from whom property, rights and liabilities are transferred in accordance with schemes under the Act; and
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Mr Greg Knight rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Derek Conway: 210.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Jim Dowd: 56.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 212.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Jim Dowd: 60.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Coal Industry Bill, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the making by the Coal Authority established by the Act of charges for things done in the exercise and performance of its powers and duties;

(b) the imposition of charges to corporation tax by provisions relating to the taxation of persons to and from whom property, rights and liabilities are transferred in accordance with schemes under the Act; and

(c) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund or the National Loans Fund.

11 Agriculture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2901) dated 24th November 1993, a copy of which was laid before this House on 30th November, be approved—(Mr Michael Jack);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Andrew MacKay: 153.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Colin Pickthall, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 38.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2901) dated 24th November 1993, a copy of which was laid before this House on 30th November, be approved.

12 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-two minutes past Three o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 3.22 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 18th January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Local Government.—Local Authorities (Goods and Services) (Public Bodies) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 37), dated 17th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].
2 National Health Service,—(1) Anglian Harbours National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 22),
(2) Brighton Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 23),
(3) Burnley Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 24),
(4) Cleveland Ambulance National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 25),
(5) Plymouth Community Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 26), and
(6) South Downs Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 27),
dated 11th January 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other Papers:

3 Environmental Protection,—Report of the Countryside Council for Wales for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

4 European Communities (No. 2, 1994).—Europe Agreement, done at Luxembourg on 4th October 1993, establishing an association between the European Communities and their member states, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part, including exchanges of letters with declarations and final act [by Command] [Cm. 2437] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

5 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory [by Act]; to be printed [No. 138] [Clerk of the House].


7 Treaty Series (No. 1, 1994),—Convention, done at New Delhi on 25th January 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of India for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital gains, with exchange of notes [by Command] [Cm. 2436] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—(1) First Report from the Employment Committee [The Import and Export of Jobs: the Future for Manufacturing], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 160];
(2) Memoranda laid before the Employment Committee; and
(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 18th January; to be printed [No. 32-v]
[Mr Greville Janner].

2 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Fourth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
(2) Second Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a Memorandum laid before the Committee;
to be printed [Nos. 19-iv and 20-ii] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].
Wednesday 19th January 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, — Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Dr John G. Blackburn reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993, referred to a Committee on 7th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 163].

4 Conscientious Objection (Public Expenditure), — Ordered. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform the system of taxation so that taxpayers are enabled to hypothecate on grounds of conscience a proportion of taxation to purposes which they nominate: And that Mr Neil Gerrard, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Cynog Dafis, Mr Elfyn Llwyd, Mr Ian Davidson, Dr John Marek, Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Mr Michael Connarty, Mr Max Madden, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Alice Mahon and Mr Frank Cook do prepare and bring it in.

5 Conscientious Objection (Public Expenditure) Bill, — Mr Neil Gerrard accordingly presented a Bill to reform the system of taxation so that taxpayers are enabled to hypothecate on grounds of conscience a proportion of taxation to purposes which they nominate: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 28th January and to be printed [Bill 35].

6 Employment and Training, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Industrial Training Levy (Construction Board) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 18th November, be approved (Ann Widdecombe);

And it being Seven o'clock, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [14th January].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 320.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 272.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Industrial Training Levy (Construction Board) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 18th November, be approved.

The Deputy Speaker then put the Question on the other Motion requiring to be decided at that hour.

Employment and Training, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Board) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 2nd December, be approved — (Mr Michael Brown);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Sydney Chapman: 320.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Eric Illsley: 267.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Board) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 2nd December, be approved.

7 British Waterways Bill [Lords], — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Promoters of the British Waterways Bill [Lords] may, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders or practice of this House, proceed with the Bill in the present Session and the Petition for the Bill shall be deemed to have been deposited and all Standing Orders applicable thereto shall be deemed to have been complied with;
That, if the Bill is brought from the Lords in the present Session, the Agent for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Lords in the last Session;

That as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, that such a declaration has been so deposited, has been laid upon the Table of the House, the Bill shall be deemed to have been read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed);

That all Petitions relating to the Bill presented in the last Session which stand referred to the Committee on the Bill, together with any minutes of evidence taken before the Committee on the Bill, shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the present Session;

That no Petitioners shall be heard before the Committee on the Bill, unless their Petition has been presented within the time limited within the last Session or deposited pursuant to paragraph (b) of Standing Order 126 relating to Private Business;

That, in relation to the Bill, Standing Order 127 relating to Private Business shall have effect as if the words “under Standing Order 126 (Reference to committee of petitions against Bill)” were omitted;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the last Session—(The Chairman of Ways and Means);

Mr Robert B. Jones rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Barry Field, Mr Alan Duncan: 271.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Cunningham, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 151.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Barry Field, Mr Alan Duncan: 297.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Terry Lewis: 104.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Promoters of the British Waterways Bill [Lords] may, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders or practice of this House, proceed with the Bill in the present Session and the Petition for the Bill shall be deemed to have been deposited and all Standing Orders applicable thereto shall be deemed to have been complied with;

That, if the Bill is brought from the Lords in the present Session, the Agent for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Lords in the last Session;

That as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, that such a declaration has been so deposited, has been laid upon the Table of the House, the Bill shall be deemed to have been read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed);

That all Petitions relating to the Bill presented in the last Session which stand referred to the Committee on the Bill, together with any minutes of evidence taken before the Committee on the Bill, shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the present Session;

That no Petitioners shall be heard before the Committee on the Bill, unless their Petition has been presented within the time limited within the last Session or deposited pursuant to paragraph (b) of Standing Order 126 relating to Private Business;

That, in relation to the Bill, Standing Order 127 relating to Private Business shall have effect as if the words “under Standing Order 126 (Reference to committee of petitions against Bill)” were omitted;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the last Session.

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.
8 Education.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Education (Mandatory Awards) (No. 2) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2914), dated 26th November 1993, a copy of which was laid before this House on 30th November, be annulled—(Mr Don Foster);

And it being half-past Eleven o’clock, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15 (Prayers against statutory instruments, &c. (negative procedure)).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Matthew Taylor, Ms Liz Lynne: 276.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 305.

So the Question was negatived.

9 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Erewash for labelling of cosmetics sold in shops to show whether they have been tested on animals was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

10 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from Mr and Mrs Colin Clarke for safety measures in respect of the A49 road in Craven Arms was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

11 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew MacKay);

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And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fifteen minutes past Twelve o’clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.15 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 19th January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Building Societies,—Draft Building Societies (EFTA States) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

2 Northern Ireland,—(1) Draft Ports (Northern Ireland Consequential Provisions) Order 1994, and

(2) draft Ports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994
[by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Monopolies and Mergers,—Merger References (Increase in Value of Assets) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 72), dated 11th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

4 National Health Service,—(1) Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Learning Disabilities National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 29),

(2) Doncaster Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 30),

(3) Forest Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 31),

(4) Freeman Group of Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 32),

(5) Frenchay Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 33),

(6) James Paget Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 34),

(7) North Hertfordshire National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 35), and

5 Road Traffic, —(1) Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 14), dated 10th January 1994, and

(2) Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Boroughs of Richmond upon Thames and Southwark) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 82), dated 18th January 1994,

[by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

6 Water Industry, —Water Enterprises (Merger) (Modification) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 73), dated 11th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other papers:

7 Census, —Ward and Civil Parish Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the 1991 Census for East Sussex [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, —Second Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 157] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 19th January; to be printed [No. 67-iv] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Education, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 19th January; to be printed [Nos. 161 and 162] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 Environment, —(1) First Report from the Environment Committee [Standard Spending Assessments]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 90];

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 19th January; to be printed [No. 63-iv]; and

(3) Memoranda laid before the Environment Committee

[Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation, —Fourth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-iv] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Home Affairs, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 19th January; to be printed [Nos. 71-iii and 164-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 19th January; to be printed [No. 42-ii] [Mr James Pawsey].

7 Public Accounts, —(1) Ninth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Grant-Maintained Schools: Financial Controls]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 165];

(2) Tenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Cost of Decommissioning Nuclear Facilities]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 166]; and

(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 19th January; to be printed [No. 167-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

8 Social Security, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 19th January; to be printed [No. 125-ii] [Mr Frank Field].

9 Transport, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 19th January; to be printed [No. 47-ii] [Mr Paul Channon].

10 Welsh Affairs, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 19th January; to be printed [No. 35-v] [Mr Gareth Wardell].
MEMORANDA

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1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
   (1) the Coal Industry Bill to Standing Committee D; and
   (2) the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill to the First Scottish Standing Committee.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
   (1) Mr James Hill and Mr Martyn Jones Chairmen of Standing Committee D in respect of the Coal Industry Bill;
   (2) Mr Michael J. Martin and Sir James Kilfedder Chairmen of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill; and
   (3) Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 7th October 1993, relating to parental and family leave, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 16th November 1993, relating to part-time and temporary work.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 10635/93, relating to guarantees for consumer goods and after sales service, and 10166/93 and 11317/93, relating to aid for restructuring the Italian steel industry, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 30.]


The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Standing Orders,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee the following Resolution:
   That a dispensation from the provisions of Standing Order 171A ought be granted in the case of the late Petition against the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords].

   The Resolution was agreed to.

3 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

   New Towns (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend Schedule 9 to the New Towns Act 1981; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

   Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984 to make provision for the control of fishing in Scottish inshore waters by vehicles or equipment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

5 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th February and to be printed [Bill 37].

6 Northern Ireland Committee,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Northern Ireland Committee, that it had considered the matter of the Health Service in Northern Ireland, referred to it on 12th January, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 174].
7 Northern Ireland Termination of Jurisdiction Bill.—Mr Tony Benn, supported by Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Ms Diane Abbott, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Bill Etherington, Mildred Gordon, Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Bill Michie, Mr Dennis Skinner and Mr Alan Simpson, presented a Bill to terminate British jurisdiction in Northern Ireland, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 36].

8 Opposition day [1st allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

National Health Service.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the lack of accountability, the growth in bureaucracy and waste of resources which have occurred at the expense of patient care arising from the implementation of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990—(Mr David Blunkett);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'welcomes the improvement in the efficiency of the National Health Service which has resulted in a substantial increase in the number of patients treated, a reduction in long waiting times for hospital treatment and improvements in the quality of patient care; considers that these improvements show that the health reforms are working and that accountability has been strengthened by the clarification of responsibilities under those reforms; and looks forward to further benefits for patients resulting from proposals announced by the Secretary of State for Health to minimise the costs of administration through the proposed abolition of regional health authorities and streamlining of management', instead thereof.—(Mrs Secretary Bottomley.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jack Thompson: 265.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 311.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 309.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jack Thompson: 264.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the improvement in the efficiency of the National Health Service which has resulted in a substantial increase in the number of patients treated, a reduction in long waiting times for hospital treatment and improvements in the quality of patient care; considers that these improvements show that the health reforms are working and that accountability has been strengthened by the clarification of responsibilities under these reforms; and looks forward to further benefits for patients resulting from proposals announced by the Secretary of State for Health to minimise the costs of administration through the proposed abolition of regional health authorities and streamlining of management.

9 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Mickleton opposed to the building and operation of a Carbon Regeneration Plant in Mickleton was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Thursday 20th January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:
1 Representation of the People,—(1) Draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) Order 1994, and
   (2) draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Wales) Order 1994
   [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:
2 National Health Service,—(1) Calderstones National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 51),
   (2) Phoenix National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 52),
   (3) Rugby National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 53),
   (4) South Tees Acute Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 54), and
   (5) York Health Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 55),
   dated 13th January 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other Papers:
3 European Parliamentary Elections,—Reports of the European Parliamentary Constituency Committee for—
   (1) England, and
   (2) Wales
   [by Command] [Cm. 2440 and 2441] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 Food,—Accounts of the Home Grown Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Fund for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 173] [Clerk of the House].

5 Local Government Finance,—Accounts of the Pooling of Non-Domestic Rates and Redistribution to Local Authorities in England for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 171] [Clerk of the House].

6 National Audit,—Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Renewable Energy Research, Development and Demonstration Programme [by Act]; to be printed [No. 156] [Clerk of the House].

7 National Heritage,—Account of the Board of Trustees of the Armouries for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 172] [Clerk of the House].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Transport on—
   (1) the Petition [10th June 1993, in the last Session of Parliament] from citizens of the United Kingdom against link roads against the M25, and
   (2) the Petition [14th July 1993, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of Ambleside for the construction of a by-pass
   [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Race Relations,—Accounts of the Commission for Racial Equality for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 170] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 20th January: to be printed [No. 37-vi] [Mr David Howell].

2 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 20th January; to be printed [No. 80-iv] [Mrs Marion Roe].

3 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 20th January; to be printed [No. 139-ii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].
4 Trade and Industry, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 20th January; to be printed [No. 41-vi] [Mr Richard Caborn].

5 Transport, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 20th January; to be printed [No. 47-iii] [Mr Paul Channon].

[No. 31.]

Friday 21st January 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Catering, — Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Catering Committee on 16th and 23rd June, 14th, 20th and 21st July and 20th October 1993, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed [No. 175].

3 Information, — Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Information Committee on 14th and 21st June, 12th July and 25th October 1993, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed [No. 176].

4 Current Political Developments in Northern Ireland, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House welcomes and supports the insistent demand of the people of all traditions in Northern Ireland for peace, properly attained; and asserts its abhorrence and rejection of all violence, from whatever quarter, perpetrated in place of democratic persuasion — (Mr James Couchman); And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

5 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Derek Conway.) And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 24th January. [Adjourned at 2.57 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 21st January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture, — Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 94), dated 20th January 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

2 National Health Service, — (1) Frimley Park Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 59),
   (2) Homewood National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 60),
   (3) Phoenix National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 61), and
   (4) St. Helens and Knowsley Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 62), dated 14th January 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other papers:

3 National Heritage (Scotland), — Report of the National Museums of Scotland for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

4 Natural Heritage (Scotland), — Accounts of Scottish Natural Heritage for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 177] [Clerk of the House].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill.—A Bill to make new provision regarding tolls levied by the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Company; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

2 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill.—A Bill to amend Part III of the London Local Authorities Act 1990; and for connected purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

3 Sheffield Assay Office Bill.—A Bill to extend the functions of the Sheffield Assay Office; and for other purposes incidental thereto, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

4 University of London Bill.—A Bill to make new provision for the making of statutes for the University of London; to repeal certain obsolete or unnecessary enactments; and for connected purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

5 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

6 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

7 Human Rights Bill,—The Order for reading the Human Rights Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

   Bill to be read a second time on Friday 11th March.

8 Insolvency Bill,—The Order for reading the Insolvency Bill a second time on Friday 25th February was read and discharged.

   Bill to be read a second time on Friday 18th March.

9 Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill;

   And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

   The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 313.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 272.

   So the Question was agreed to.

   The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

10 Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill [Money];

   A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

   (a) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown in consequence of that Act; and

   (b) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment—(Mr James Arbuthnot);

   And it being three quarters of an hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

   The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 303.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jim Dowd: 139.

   So the Question was agreed to.

   Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—
(a) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown in consequence of that Act; and
(b) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so
provided under any other enactment.

11 Sunday Trading Bill. — Ordered, That, notwithstanding the Order [29th November] relating
to committal, Standing Committee A be discharged from considering any new Clause or
new Schedule relating to the employment of shop workers in respect of the Sunday
Trading Bill and that any such new Clause or new Schedule be committed to a
Committee of the whole House. — (Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

12 Health. — Ordered, That Mr James Clappison be discharged from the Health Committee and
Mr Iain Duncan Smith be added to the Committee. — (Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf
of the Committee of Selection.)

13 Adjournment. — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes to Twelve
o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.41 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 24th January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Building Societies, — Draft Building Societies (EFTA States) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr
Anthony Nelson].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

dated 20th December 1993,

(2) Medicines (Homoeopathic Medicinal Products for Human Use) Regulations 1994
(S.I., 1994, No. 105), dated 19th January 1994,

(3) Medicines (Labelling and Leaflets) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 104),
dated 19th January 1994, and

(4) Medicines (Standard Provisions for Licences and Certificates) Amendment
Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 103), dated 23rd December 1993

[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

3 Rating and Valuation, — Non-domestic Rates (Scotland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 64),
dated 12th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

4 Agricultural Training Board, — Report and Financial Statement of the Agricultural Training
Board for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

5 Education, — Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Schools in Wales for 1992-93 [by
Act]: to be printed [No. 159] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

6 Law Commissions, — Statement made by the Lord Chancellor with regard to the pension
provisions of a Commissioner of the Law Commission [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

7 Public Petitions, — Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition
[1st December 1993] from residents of Halifax against the injurious effects of child
support policy [by Standing Order]: to be printed [Clerk of the House].
8 Building Societies,—Draft Building Societies (EFTA States) Order 1994 [laid 19th January].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 24th January; to be printed [No. 182-1] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

MEMORANDA

Monday 24th January 1994

1 Public Bills (Scotland),—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 93 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), the Speaker certified that, in her opinion, the provisions of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] relate exclusively to Scotland.

2 European Standing Committees,—The Select Committee on European Legislation has withdrawn its recommendation [3rd March 1993] that European Community Document No. 4683/93, relating to the Annual Economic Report for 1993, be further considered; and the document no longer stands referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 33.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Sunday Trading Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1 and 2, Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers),—Mr Norman Hogg reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Sunday Trading Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1 and 2, Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers), and made Amendments thereunto. Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 186].

4 Employment Protection (Government Communications Headquarters),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for persons employed at the Government Communications Headquarters to have the right to belong to an independent trade union of their choice; and for connected purposes—(Mr David Winnick);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illesley, Mr Alan Meale: 222.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew Robathan, Mr Julian Brazier: 69.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr David Winnick, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mrs Anne Campbell, Ms Angela Eagle, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Terry Davis, Maria Fyfe, Mr Doug Hoyle, Mr John McAllion, Mr Stanley Orme, Mr Ray Powell and Mr Alan Simpson do prepare and bring in the Bill.

5 Employment Protection (Government Communications Headquarters) Bill,—Mr David Winnick accordingly presented a Bill to provide for persons employed at the Government Communications Headquarters to have the right to belong to an independent trade union of their choice; and for connected purposes: And the same was
read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th February and to be printed [Bill 38].

6 Finance Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finance Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House believes that the Finance Bill is not an acceptable and effective measure because it fails to make any proposal to repeal section 42 of the Finance Act 1993, which imposed value added tax on domestic fuel', instead thereof.—(Ms Harriet Harman.)
And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 304.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 321.
So the Question was negatived.
And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading);
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 327.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 296.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time.
Ordered, That Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77 be committed to a Committee of the whole House;
That the remainder of the Bill be committed to a Standing Committee;
That, when the provisions of the Bill considered, respectively, by the Committee of the whole House and by the Standing Committee have been reported to the House, the Bill be proceeded with as if the Bill had been reported as a whole to the House from the Standing Committee.—(Mr Stephen Dorrell.)
Committee to-morrow.

7 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House, do now adjourn.—(Mr Sydney Chapman.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
[Adjourned at 10.53 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Tuesday 25th January 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:
1 Housing (Scotland),—Draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:
2 Housing (Scotland),—Housing Revenue Account General Fund Contribution Limits (Scotland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 106), dated 19th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:
4 Defence (Royal Air Force),—Amendment List No. 17 to Queen’s Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

5 Environment,—Papers, entitled—
(1) Biodiversity: the UK action plan,
(2) Climate change: the UK programme,
(3) Sustainable forestry: the UK programme, and
(4) Sustainable development: the UK strategy
[by Command] [Cm. 2428, 2427, 2429 and 2426] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

6 Housing (Scotland).—Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland on the draft Housing
Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1994 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 150] [Mr Secretary
Lang].

7 Insolvency,—Statements of the sums received and paid by the Secretary of State for Trade
and Industry under the Insolvency Act 1986, and of the sums credited and debited to the
Investment Account by the National Debt Commissioners for 1992-93; with the Report
of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 183] [Clerk
of the House].

8 Local Government, Planning and Land,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on
13th January 1994 on borrowing by the Land Authority for Wales [by Act] [Mr Stephen
Dorrell].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 25th
January; to be printed [No. 32-vi] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 European Legislation,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on
European Legislation on 25th January; to be printed [No. 184-i] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

3 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Fifth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory
Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
(2) Third Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a
Memorandum laid before the Committee;
to be printed [Nos. 19-v and 20-iii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

4 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee
on 25th January; to be printed [No. 185] [Mr Richard Caborn].

5 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the
Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 25th January; to be printed [No. 27-ii] [Mr
John Watts].

[No. 34.]

Wednesday 26th January 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Death of a Member,—The Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of James Boyce, Esquire, Member for
Rotherham, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have
sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered
to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix
II).

4 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be
printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported; some ordered to be printed (see
Appendix III).

5 European Standing Committee B,—Mr Nicholas Winterton reported from European
Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda
submitted by the Department of Employment on 7th October 1993 and 7th December
1993, relating to parental and family leave, and the unnumbered Explanatory
Memoranda submitted by the Department of Employment on 7th October 1993 and 16th
November 1993, relating to non-standard employment; endorses the Government's view
that measures taken in the field of social affairs should have full regard to the effects on
job creation, to the principle of subsidiarity, and to the diversity of national traditions
and practices; shares the Government's view that the need for Community legislation on
The Government’s view that it should not accept proposals which would increase the cost of employing part-time and temporary workers and reduce the number of jobs available; and endorses the Government’s view that terms and conditions of employment are best agreed directly by the parties concerned without outside interference.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolutions in respect of the British Waterways Bill [Lords], viz.:

That the Promoters of the Bill, which originated in the House of Lords in the last Session of Parliament but did not receive the Royal Assent, shall, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders or practice of the House of Lords, have leave to introduce the said Bill in the present Session and the Petition for the Bill shall be deemed to have been deposited and all Standing Orders applicable thereto shall be deemed to have been complied with;

That the Bill shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than Three o’clock on 1st February with a declaration annexed thereto signed by the Agent concerned stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in the House of Lords in the last Session of Parliament;

That the proceedings on the Bill shall in the present Session be pro forma only, in regard to every stage through which the Bill passed in the last Session of Parliament, and that no new Fees shall be charged to such stages.

7 Northern Ireland Committee,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 99 (Northern Ireland Committee), That the Matter of the proposal for a Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, being a Matter relating exclusively to Northern Ireland, be referred to the Northern Ireland Committee for its consideration.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

8 Financial Services,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Auditors (Financial Services Act 1986) Rules 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

9 Banks and Banking,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Accountants (Banking Act 1987) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

10 Building Societies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Building Societies (Auditors) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

11 Insurance,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Auditors (Insurance Companies Act 1982) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

12 Cultural Objects,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Return of Cultural Objects Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

13 Scientific Research,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);
And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

14 Scientific Research. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Particle Physics and Astronomy Research Council Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

15 Scientific Research. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

16 Building Societies. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Building Societies (EFTA States) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

17 Sheriff Court (Scotland). — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Sheriff Court Fees Amendment (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2957) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope) — It was agreed to.

18 Leasehold Law Reform. — Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law regarding privity of contract and estate for future but not existing leases; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Richard Page, Mr John Fraser, Sir Michael Grylls, Mr Peter Thurnham, Mrs Angela Browning, Mr James Couchman and Mr Spencer Batiste do prepare and bring it in.

19 Leasehold Law Reform Bill. — Mr Richard Page accordingly presented a Bill to amend the law regarding privity of contract and estate for future but not existing leases; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 22nd April and to be printed [Bill 39].

20 Opposition day [2nd allotted day]. — It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Housing. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, noting that investment in housing has more than halved since 1979, whilst housing benefit costs have rocketed, that homelessness has trebled, that for the one million who face negative equity the dream of home ownership has turned into a nightmare, and that half a million building workers are on the dole, condemns the failure of the housing policies of Her Majesty's Government, the latest proposals to remove the basic right of the homeless to a permanent home, and the mean and nasty consequences of government policies which led Westminster City Council to spend millions on designated sales schemes which have harmed tenants and owner occupiers alike; and calls for policies to secure real choice between tenures, which revive housebuilding through the phased release of capital receipts, which make more effective use of a socially responsible private rented sector, deal humanely with the homeless, and provide better advice and protection for home purchasers — (Mr Jack Straw);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'welcomes the fact that the Government is set to surpass its manifesto commitment to produce 153,000 homes in the first three years of this Parliament by 25,000; notes with approval the reduction in the number of families accepted as statutory homeless and temporarily housed in bed and breakfast accommodation; notes that the size of the nation's housing stock has grown faster than population growth over the last 15 years and its quality has improved and that the mortgage rate is now at its lowest since the 1960's as a result of the Government's economic policies; commends the Government's policies to secure decent housing for those in need, to provide a safety net for vulnerable people faced with losing their home and to provide more opportunities for home ownership; and calls on Her Majesty's Opposition to condemn the actions of those Labour-controlled councils who wasted taxpayers' money through mismanagement of their housing stock, failure to collect rents and the imposition of high council taxes', — instead thereof. — (Sir George Young.)
And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question; Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put. And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to. And the Question being accordingly put; The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Ilsley: 279.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 319.

So the Question was negatived.
And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments); The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 316.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Ilsley: 275.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the fact that the Government is set to surpass its manifesto commitment to produce 153,000 homes in the first three years of this Parliament by 25,000; notes with approval the reduction in the number of families accepted as statutory homeless and temporarily housed in bed and breakfast accommodation; notes that the size of the nation’s housing stock has grown faster than population growth over the last 15 years and its quality has improved and that the mortgage rate is now at its lowest since the 1960s as a result of the Government’s economic policies; commends the Government’s policies to secure decent housing for those in need, to provide a safety net for vulnerable people faced with losing their home and to provide more opportunities for home ownership; and calls on Her Majesty’s Opposition to condemn the actions of those Labour-controlled councils who wasted taxpayers’ money through mismanagement of their housing stock, failure to collect rents and the imposition of high council taxes.

21 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of Coventry against V.A.T. on fuel was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

22 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Andrew Mitchell)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.52 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Wednesday 26th January 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:
1 Transport,—Draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

Other Papers:
3 Aviation and Maritime Security,—(1) Report by the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to section 44 of the Aviation and Maritime Security Act 1990 for 1993; and (2) Report by the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to section 23 of the Aviation Security Act 1982 as amended by the Maritime Security Act 1990 for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

4 Census,—Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the 1991 Census for (1) Buckinghamshire, (2) Cleveland, (3) North Yorkshire, and (4) Oxfordshire
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[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 Museums and Galleries,—Accounts of—

(1) the British Museum,
(2) the Imperial War Museum, and
(3) the Tate Gallery

for 1992-93; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act];
to be printed [Nos. 189, 191 and 190] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection,
That it had nominated thirty-four Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect
of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 & 77), viz.: Mr David Amess, Mr Peter
Atkinson, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Clive Betts, Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr
John Butterfill, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr Malcolm Chisholm,
Sir John Cope, Mr Alistair Darling, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Ms Angela
Eagle, Mr Nigel Forman, Mr Mike Hall, Ms Harriet Harman, Mr Keith Hill, Mr Eric
Illsley, Tessa Jowell, Jane Kennedy, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr Andrew MacKay,
Diana Maddock, Mr Anthony Nelson, Mr Phillip Oppenheim, Mr Michael Portillo, Mr
David Shaw, Mr Andrew Smith, Mr Michael Stern, Mr Ian Taylor, Dr Ian Twinn and
Mr John Watts.

2 Standing Committee D,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had
nominated twenty-three Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the
Coal Industry Bill, viz.: Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Julian Brazier, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Michael
Clapham, Mr Eric Clarke, Mr John Cummings, Mr Alan Duncan, Mr Tim Eggar, Mr
Bill Etherington, Mr Peter Hain, Mr David Hanson, Mr Peter Hardy, Mr David
Lightbown, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Patrick McLoughlin, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr Martin
O'Neill, Mr Rod Richards, Mr John Spellar, Mr David Sumberg, Mr Walter Sweeney,
Mr Paddy Tipping and Mr Nigel Waterson.

3 Standing Committee E,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had
nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Social
Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill, viz.: Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Keith Bradley, Mr
Alistair Burt, Mr Jamie Cann, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Paul Flynn, Dr Charles Goodson-
Wickes, Mr Adam Ingram, Mrs Jacqui Lait, Mr George Mudie, Mr Patrick Nicholls,
Mr Richard Ottaway, Mr Terry Rooney, Mr Nicholas Scott, Rachel Squire, Mr Michael
Stephen, Mr Patrick Thompson, Mr Bowen Wells and Mr Malcolm Wicks.

4 First Scottish Standing Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee,
That it had nominated twenty-three Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing
Committee in respect of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill, viz.: Mr Peter
Atkinson, Mr Michael Connarty, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mr Ian
Davidson, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Harold Elletson, Mr George Foulkes,
Mr Phil Gallie, Mr John Home Robertson, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Archy
Kirkwood, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr George Kynoch, Mr John McAllion, Mr Henry
McLeish, Mr Gordon McMaster, Sir Hector Monro, Mr George Robertson, Mr
Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Bill Walker and Mr Andrew Welsh.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 26th January;
to be printed [No. 45-iv] [Sir Malcolm Thornton]

2 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 26th
January; to be printed [No. 63-v] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 European Legislation,—Fifth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation;
to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-v] [Mr Jimmy
Hood].

4 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 26th
January; to be printed [No. 71-iv and 193-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

5 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the
Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 26th
January; to be printed [No. 42-iii] [Mr James Pawsey].

6 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on
26th January; to be printed [No. 194-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
7 Scottish Affairs.—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 26th January; and
(2) Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 1st December;
to be printed [Nos. 187-i and 65] [Mr William McKelvey]

8 Social Security.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 26th January; to be printed [No. 125-iii] [Mr Frank Field].

9 Trade and Industry.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 26th January; to be printed [No. 188] [Mr Richard Caborn].

10 Transport.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 26th January; to be printed [No. 47-iv] [Mr Paul Channon].

11 Treasury and Civil Service.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 26th January; to be printed [No. 192-i] [Mr John Watts].

12 Welsh Affairs.—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 26th January; to be printed [No. 35-vi]; and
(2) Memorandum laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee
[Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA
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1 Constitution of Standing Committees.—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
(1) the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77) to Standing Committee A; and
(2) the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill to Standing Committee E.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees.—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
(1) Sir David Knox and Mr John McWilliam Chairmen of Standing Committee A in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77);
(2) Sir John Hunt and Mr Barry Jones Chairmen of Standing Committee E in respect of the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill; and
(3) Mr Barry Jones Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 5953/91 and 7506/93, relating to landfill of waste.

3 European Standing Committees.—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 6703/88, relating to equal pay and equal treatment (burden of proof), has been referred to European Standing Committee B.


The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

3 Selection.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees.—Minutes of Evidence were reported from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
5 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

British Waterways Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers on the British Waterways Board to enter land and repair or maintain, or carry out other operations with respect to, the waterways owned or managed by them and other works; to confer further powers on the Board for the regulation and management of their waterways and in relation to their undertaking; to amend or repeal statutory provisions relating to the Board or their undertaking; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

6 Private Bills [Lords].—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office that, in respect of the following Bill brought from the House of Lords, the Agents for the Bill have deposited in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by them, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the House of Lords in the last Session, viz.:

British Waterways Bill [Lords].

7 Private Bills [Lords].—The Orders [19th January], relating to the British Waterways Bill [Lords], being read;

British Waterways Bill [Lords].—The British Waterways Bill [Lords] was read the first and second time and committed.

8 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Michael Brown);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

9 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

APPENDIX I
Thursday 27th January 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Local Government Finance,—(1) Local Government Finance Report (England) 1994-95,

(2) Limitation of Council Tax and Precepts (Relevant Notional Amounts) Report (England) 1994-95, and

(3) Special Grant Report (No. 9)

for 1994-95 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 179, 181 and 180] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Agriculture,—Fertilisers (Sampling and Analysis) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 129), dated 26th January 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].


4 European Communities,—European Communities (Iron and Steel Employees Re-adaption Benefits Scheme) (No. 2) (Scheme Termination) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 141), dated 26th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other papers:

5 Agriculture,—Report and Accounts of the Meat and Livestock Commission for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

6 Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for—

(1) Classes IV and V—Trade and Industry, Export Credits Guarantee Department and Energy, and

(2) Classes IX (Home Office and Charity Commission) and X (Lord Chancellor’s and Law Department)

for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 11-iv and 11-vii] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

(1) Part I, and
(2) Part II
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

8 Commonwealth Development Corporation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 21st January 1994 on borrowing by the Commonwealth Development Corporation [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

9 Export Credits and Guarantee Department,—Report and Trading Accounts of the Export Credits Guarantee Department for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 119] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

10 Honour, Decorations and Medals,—Paper, entitled The accumulated campaign service medal [by Command] [Cm. 2447] [The Prime Minister].

11 Industrial Training,—Report and Accounts of the Construction Industry Training Board for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

12 Marshall Aid Commemoration,—Accounts of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 196] [Clerk of the House].

13 Representation of the People,—European Parliamentary Elections (Day of Election) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 83), dated 18th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A, Mr Peter Atkinson (nominated in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77)); and had appointed in substitution Mr David Willetts.

2 Standing Committee D,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from Standing Committee D, Mr David Sumberg (nominated in respect of the Coal Industry Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr John Whittingdale.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 27th January; to be printed [No. 80-v] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 27th January; to be printed [No. 139-iii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

MEMORANDA
Thursday 27th January 1994

1 Chairman of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairman of standing committees), the Speaker appointed Mr Edward O'Hara Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Coal Industry Bill in place of Mr Martyn Jones.

2 European Standing Committees,—European Community Document No. 10401/93, relating to the Green Paper on European Social Policy—Options for the Union, has been referred to European Standing Committee B in place of European Community Document COM(93)551 submitted by the Department of Employment on 14th December 1993, which was referred on 15th December.
Friday 28th January 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Bank of England (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bank of England (Amendment) Bill;—

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

3 Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill,—The Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

4 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(1) at the sitting on Wednesday 2nd February—

(a) not later than Seven o'clock put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr William Waldegrave relating to Scientific Research; and

(b) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Lilley relating to Child Support not later than three hours after their commencement; and the said Motion may be proceeded with after the expiry of the time for opposed business; and

(2) at the sitting on Thursday 3rd February, not later than Ten o'clock put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Gummer relating to Local Government Finance; and those Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

5 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And the Motion having been made at half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday 31st January.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 28th January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Children and Young Persons,—Report of the Wales Youth Agency for 1992–93 [by Command] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

2 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the British Film Institute [by Act]; to be printed [No. 178] [Clerk of the House].
PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees.—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 28 (Air passenger duty).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 22, line 26, after the word ‘Chapter’, to insert the words ‘but subject to (6) below’.—(Mr Andrew Smith.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 278.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr James Arbuthnot: 312.

The Chairman, being of the opinion that the principle of the Clause and any matters arising thereon had been adequately discussed in the course of debate on the Amendment proposed thereto, put forthwith the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 67 (Debate on clause or schedule standing part), That the Clause stand part of the Bill:— It was agreed to.

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Derek Conway reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Committee again to-morrow.

4 Trade and Industry.—Ordered, That Dr Michael Clark be discharged from the Trade and Industry Committee and Mr Robert Banks be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

5 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Sydney Chapman.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes past Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.10 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 31st January 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject Affirmative Resolution:

1 Channel Tunnel,—Draft Channel Tunnel (Security) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

2 Local Government Finance (Wales),—(1) Local Government Finance (Amendment) Report (Wales) 1993-94, and
   (2) Local Government Finance Report (Wales) for 1994-95 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 169 and 168] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Health and Safety,—Control of Industrial Major Accident Hazards (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 118), dated 24th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
4 Housing, — Secure Tenants of Local Housing Authorities (Right to Repair) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 133), dated 25th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

5 National Health Service, — National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 131), dated 26th January 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 National Health Service (Scotland), — National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 145), dated 26th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 River (Scotland), — Salmon (Definition of Methods of Net Fishing and Construction of Nets) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 111), dated 19th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

8 Health and Safety, — Accounts of the Health and Safety Commission and the Health and Safety Executive for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 202] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 31st January; to be printed [No. 204-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

Tuesday 1st February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill, — Ordered, That the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill be read a second time on Thursday.

2 Sheffield Assay Office Bill, — Ordered, That the Sheffield Assay Office Bill be read a second time on Thursday.

3 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill, — Ordered, That the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill be read a second time on Thursday.

4 University of London Bill, — Ordered, That the University of London Bill be read a second time on Thursday.

5 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

6 Select Committees, — Reports were made from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

7 First Scottish Standing Committee (Conduct of a Member), — Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, to which the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill was committed, That, having drawn attention to the presence of Mr Alex Salmond, Member for Banff and Buchan, not being a member of the Committee, in the part of the Committee Room reserved for members of the Committee, and the honourable Member having declined to withdraw, he had been directed to report Mr Alex Salmond to the House.

Report to lie upon the Table.

8 First Scottish Standing Committee, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill shall have power to order any Member who is not a member of the Committee to withdraw immediately from the Committee Room; and the Serjeant at Arms shall act on such orders as he may receive from the Chairman in pursuance of this Order — (Mr Tony Newton);

Mr Greg Knight rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Timothy Wood: 307.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr James Wallace, Mr Archy Kirkwood: 41.
So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Timothy Wood: 491.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew Welsh, Mr Cynog Dafis: 10.
So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill shall have power to order any Member who is not a member of the Committee to withdraw immediately from the Committee Room; and the Serjeant at Arms shall act on such orders as he may receive from the Chairman in pursuance of this Order.

9 Regulation of Political Funding,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the system of funding of political parties; and for connected purposes: And that Mr John Spellar, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr Mike O’Brien, Mr David Winnick, Ms Angela Eagle, Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Gordon McMaster and Mr Chris Mullin do prepare and bring it in.

10 Regulation of Political Funding Bill,—Mr John Spellar accordingly presented a Bill to regulate the system of funding of political parties; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 40].

11 Finance Bill (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Finance Bill:

Committee of the whole House
1.—(1) The Proceedings in Committee of the whole House shall be completed at this day’s sitting and shall be brought to a conclusion at Ten o’clock.

(2) When the Order of the Day is read for the House to resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill, the Speaker shall leave the Chair without putting any Question and the House shall resolve itself into a Committee forthwith whether or not notice of an instruction to the Committee has been given; and Standing Order No. 64 (Committee of the whole House on bill) shall not apply.

(3) Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) shall not apply in relation to the proceedings to which this paragraph applies.

Standing Committee
2.—(1) The Standing Committee to which the remainder of the Bill is allocated shall report the Bill not later than 29th March.

(2) Proceedings at a sitting of the Standing Committee on 29th March may continue until Ten o’clock whether or not the House is adjourned before that time, and if the House is adjourned before those proceedings have been brought to a conclusion, the Standing Committee shall report the Bill to the House on 30th March.

Report and Third Reading
3.—(1) The proceedings on consideration and Third Reading shall be completed in two allotted days and shall be brought to a conclusion at Ten o’clock on the second of those days.

(2) On the first of those days, paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall, notwithstanding sub-paragraph (a) of that paragraph, apply to the proceedings on the Bill for only one hour after Ten o’clock.

(3) The proceedings on Third Reading may be proceeded with at the conclusion of the proceedings on consideration, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between stages of a Bill brought in on ways and means resolutions.

Business Committee
4.—(1) For the purposes of Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) this Order shall be taken to allot to the proceedings on consideration such part of the allotted days as the Resolution of the Business Committee may determine.
(2) The Business Committee shall report to the House its Resolution as to the proceedings on consideration of the Bill, and as to the allocation of time between those proceedings and proceedings on Third Reading, not later than 14th April.

(3) Any Resolution of the Business Committee may be varied by a further Report of the Committee under Standing Order No. 80, whether before or after 14th April and whether or not that Resolution has been agreed to by the House.

(4) No Motion shall be made as to the order in which proceedings on consideration are taken, but the Resolutions of the Business Committee may include alterations in that order.

Procedure in Standing Committee

5. (1) At a sitting of the Standing Committee at which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion under a Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee, the Chairman shall not adjourn the Committee under any Order relating to the sittings of the Committee until those proceedings have been brought to a conclusion.

(2) No Motion shall be made in the Standing Committee relating to the sitting of the Committee except by a Minister of the Crown, and the Chairman shall permit a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves, and from a Member who opposes, the Motion, and shall then put the Question thereon.

(3) No Motion shall be made as to the order in which proceedings are to be considered in the Standing Committee, but the Resolutions of the Business Sub-Committee may include alterations in that order.

Reports of proceedings in Committee

6. On the conclusion of the proceedings in any Committee on the Bill, the Chairman shall report such of the Bill's provisions as were committed (or re-committed) to that Committee to the House without putting any Question.

Dilatory Motions

7. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of proceedings on, the Bill shall be made in the Standing Committee or on an allotted day except by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

Extra time

8. (1) On the first of the allotted days mentioned in paragraph 3, any period during which proceedings on the Bill may be proceeded with after Ten o'clock under paragraph (7) of Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) shall be in addition to the period of one hour mentioned in paragraph 3(2).

(2) If that allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment of specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) stands over from an earlier day a period of time equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion shall be added to the period of one hour.

Private business

9. Any private business which has been set down for consideration at Seven o'clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business for a period of three hours from the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or, if those proceedings are concluded before Ten o'clock, for a period equal to the time elapsing between Seven o'clock and the conclusion of those proceedings.

Procedure at time for conclusion of proceedings

10. For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee or the Business Sub-Committee and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or the Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

(a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;

(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including, in the case of a new Clause or new Schedule which has been read a second time, whether before the time so appointed or in pursuance of paragraph (a), the Question that the Clause or Schedule, or the Clause or Schedule as amended, be added to the Bill);

(c) the Question on any amendment or Motion standing on the Order Paper, whether in the name of a Minister of the Crown or not, which is moved or made by a Minister of the Crown;
(d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded;
and on a Motion so made for a new Clause or new Schedule, the Chairman or the Speaker
shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

11.—(1) Proceedings under paragraph 10 of this Order shall not be interrupted under
any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(2) If an allotted day is one on which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under
Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have
urgent consideration) would, apart from this Order, stand over to Seven o'clock—
(a) that Motion shall stand over until the conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill,
which, under this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be
brought to a conclusion at or before that time;
(b) the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this
Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a
conclusion after that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of
the proceedings on that Motion.

(3) If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under
Standing Order No. 20 stands over from an earlier day, the bringing to a conclusion of
any proceedings on the Bill which under this Order or a Resolution of the Business
Committee are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall be postponed for a period
equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

Supplemental orders

12.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made in the House by a Minister of the Crown
for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order (including anything which
might have been the subject of a report of the Business Committee or Business Sub-
Committee) shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after
they have been commenced.

(2) Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to those
proceedings.

(3) If on an allotted day on which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a
conclusion at a time appointed by this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee
the House is adjourned, or the sitting is suspended, before that time no notice shall be
required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a Minister of the Crown for varying or
supplementing the provisions of this Order.

Saving

13. Nothing in this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee or Business Sub-
Committee shall—
(a) prevent any proceedings to which the Order or Resolution applies from being
taken or completed earlier than is required by the Order or Resolution; or
(b) prevent any business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on
any day after the completion of all such proceedings on the Bill as are to be taken
on that day.

Recommittal

14.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on
Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in
consequence of, recommittal.

(2) On an allotted day no debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit the
Bill (whether as a whole or otherwise), and the Speaker shall put forthwith any Question
necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any amendment moved to
the Question.

Interpretation

15. In this Order—
“allotted day” means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as
first Government Order of the Day, provided that a Motion for allotting time to
the proceedings on the Bill to be taken on that day either has been agreed on a
previous day, or is set down for consideration on that day;
“Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee” means a Resolution of the Business
Sub-Committee as agreed to by the Standing Committee;
“the Bill” means the Finance Bill;
“Resolution of the Business Committee” means a Resolution of the Business
Committee as agreed to by the House—(Mr Tony Newton);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 5, to leave out the words 'Ten
o'clock' and to insert the word 'midnight'.—(Mr Archy Kirkwood.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.
And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to dispose of them, pursuant to Standing Order No. 81 (Allocation of time to bills).

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.
And the Main Question being put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 315.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 288.
So the Question was agreed to.

12 Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 46 (Insurance premium tax).

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 32, line 4, after '(1)', to insert the words 'Subject to subsection (3) below'.—(Mr Alistair Darling.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.
And it being Ten o'clock, the Chairman, pursuant to the Order this day, put the Question already proposed from the Chair.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner: 285.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 327.
The Chairman then put forthwith the other Questions necessary for the disposal of business to be concluded at that hour.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 322.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner: 285.

Clause No. 72 (Personal allowance).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 321.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner: 284.

Clause No. 77 (Mortgage interest relief etc.).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Michael Brown: 332.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner: 251.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill (Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77) to the House, pursuant to the Order.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Sydney Chapman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill (Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77) and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill (Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77) do lie upon the Table.

13 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Sydney Chapman.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.22 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Tuesday 1st February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Paper subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Channel Tunnel,—Draft Channel Tunnel (Security) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

4 Law Commissions,—Report by the Law Commission on Landlord and Tenant Law—Termination of Tenancies Bill [by Act]; to be printed [No. 135] [Clerk of the House].

5 Nursing, Midwives and Health Visitors,—Account of the National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for Scotland for 1991–92; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 134] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Paper withdrawn:

6 Channel Tunnel,—Draft Channel Tunnel (Security) Order 1994 [laid 31st January].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—(1) Second Report from the Employment Committee [The Management of Redundancies], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 206];

(2) Memoranda laid before the Employment Committee; and

(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 1st February; to be printed [No. 32-vii] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Statutory Instruments,—Sixth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-vi] [Mr Bob Cryer].

3 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 1st February; to be printed [No. 207] [Mr Richard Caborn].

4 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 1st February; to be printed [No. 27-iii] [Mr John Watts].

[No. 39.]

Wednesday 2nd February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Death of a Member,—The Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Josephine Richardson, Member for Barking, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.
2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

3 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

4 Selection.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 European Standing Committee A,—Mr Barry Jones reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 5953/91 and 7506/93 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of the Environment on 10th January 1994, relating to the landfill of waste; endorses the Government’s view that the proposal is unnecessarily detailed and prescriptive and does not take sufficient account of the principle of subsidiarity which is enshrined in the Treaty of European Union; welcomes the Government’s intention to press for the removal of a number of the more detailed provisions now that it is clear that other Member States wish to take forward the Directive; supports the Government’s view that carefully controlled co-disposal is an environmentally sound practice, the banning of which in the United Kingdom would be detrimental to the environment and would lead to significantly increased disposal costs for certain types of industrial waste; and endorses the Government’s intention to seek a common position in Council which would allow those countries who practise controlled co-disposal to continue to do so.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to abolish the rule of law relating to the sale of goods in market overt; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

8 Professions Supplementary to Medicine (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Alfred Morris, supported by Sir John Hannam, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Dr Lewis Moonie, Sir Trevor Skeet, Ms Liz Lynne, Sir James Kilfedder, Mr Barry Sheerman, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Ms Angela Eagle, Sir Richard Body and Mr Ken Livingstone, presented a Bill to amend the Professions Supplementary to Medicine Act 1960 for the purpose of permitting the title of podiatrist to be used as an alternative to that of state registered chiropodist under the terms of that Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed [Bill 41].

9 Registration of Small Children’s Homes,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the registration of a children’s home where accommodation is provided for one or more children, and for connected purposes.—(Ann Coffey);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Ann Coffey, Mr Keith Hill, Joan Lestor, Mr David Hinchcliffe, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Alun Michael, Alice Mahon, Bridget Prentice, Mr Kevin Hughes, Mr Alan Milburn, Mr Peter Kilfoyle and Mr Neil Gerrard do prepare and bring it in.

10 Registration of Small Children’s Homes Bill,—Ann Coffey accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the registration of a children’s home where accommodation is provided for one or more children, and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed [Bill 42].

11 Scientific Research,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 17th December, be approved.—(Mr William Waldegrave);

And it being Seven o’clock, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [28th January]:—It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker then put the Questions on the other Motions requiring to be decided at that hour.
Scientific Research.—Resolved, That the draft Particle Physics and Astronomy Research Council Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 17th December, be approved. (Mr William Waldegrave.)

Scientific Research.—Resolved, That the draft Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 17th December, be approved. (Mr William Waldegrave.)

12 Family Law.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Child Support (Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 13th January, be approved—(Mr Alistair Burt);

And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [28th January].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 264.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Eddie Loyden: 46.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Child Support (Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 13th January, be approved.

13 Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr Derek Conway);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 266.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 61.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

14 Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr Derek Conway);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr James Arbuthnot: 262.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Skinner: 55.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

15 Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr Sydney Chapman);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr James Arbuthnot: 236.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Simpson, Mr Eddie Loyden: 52.

So the Question was agreed to.
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty’s Household.

16 Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr Sydney Chapman);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 208.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Alan Simpson: 50.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty’s Household.

17 Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under that Act, and
(b) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

18 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill.—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the committal of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill to a Standing Committee on 11th January, any new Clause relating to capital punishment or to the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain of which notice may be given not later than 9th February in respect of the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House; and that, when the Committee of the whole House has reported with respect to any such new Clause and the Standing Committee on the Bill has reported the Bill, the Bill be proceeded with as if it had been reported as a whole from the Standing Committee.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

19 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes to Twelve o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.32 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 2nd February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Representation of the People,—Draft European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Representatives) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

3 Census,—Ward and Civil Parish Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the 1991 Census for Nottinghamshire [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].
Development of Tourism. — Statement of appointment of a new member and re-appointment of a member to the British Tourist Authority [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, that it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill, viz.: Mr Sebastian Coe, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr David Hanson, Mr David Harris, Mr John Hutton, Mr Eddie Loyden, Mr Steve Norris, Mr Richard Ottaway, Mr Richard Page, Mr Colin Pickthall, Mr David Porter, Mr Graham Riddick, Sir Trevor Skeet, Mr James Wallace, Joan Walley and Mr Bowen Wells.

2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., —Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Sheriff Court Fees Amendment (No. 2) Order 1993, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Richard Alexander, Sir Rhodes Boyson, Mr John Butcher, Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Mr Ian Davidson, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Christopher Gill, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr John McFall, Mr William McKelvey, Mr Barry Porter, Mr Colin Shepherd, Mr John Townend, Mr James Wallace and Mr John Wilkinson.

3 Northern Ireland Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had discharged from the Northern Ireland Committee, Mr Jerry Hayes and Mr Kevin McNamara; and had appointed in substitution Joan Lestor and Mr Raymond S. Robertson.

4 European Standing Committee B,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had discharged from European Standing Committee B, Mr Robert Ainsworth; and had appointed in substitution Mr John Heppell.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 209-i] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 45-v] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 63-vi] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation,—Sixth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-vi] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 National Heritage, —Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 139-iv] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 42-iv] [Mr James Pawsey].

7 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 210-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

8 Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 187-ii] [Mr William McKelvey].

9 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 70-iii] [Mr Frank Field].

10 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 2nd February; to be printed [No. 47-v] [Mr Paul Channon].
MEMORANDA

Wednesday 2nd February 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
   (1) the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill to Standing Committee C; and
   (2) the Sheriff Court Fees Amendment (No. 2) Order 1993 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
   (1) Mr Frank Cook Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill;
   (2) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Sheriff Court Fees Amendment (No. 2) Order 1993; and
   (3) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 8757/93 and 10761/93, relating to bovine somatotrophin (BST).

3 Business Sub-Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 103 (Business sub-committees), the Speaker nominated the following members of Standing Committee A to be members of the Business Sub-Committee to consider the Allocation of Time Order relating to the Finance Bill, viz.: Sir David Knox (Chairman), Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Phillip Oppenheim and Mr Andrew Smith.

4 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 10761/93, relating to bovine somatotrophin (BST), has been referred to European Standing Committee A.

[No. 40.]


The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill;
   
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 10th February.

2 Sheffield Assay Office Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheffield Assay Office Bill;
   
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 10th February.

3 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;
   
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 10th February.

4 University of London Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill;
   
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 10th February.

5 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

6 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.
7 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

8 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

9 Local Government Finance,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Local Government Finance Report (England) 1994–95 (House of Commons Paper No. 179), which was laid before this House on 27th January, be approved—(Mr Secretary Gummer);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 304.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 261.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Local Government Finance Report (England) 1994–95 (House of Commons Paper No. 179), which was laid before this House on 27th January, be approved.

And it being after Ten o'clock, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to dispose of the other Motions relating to Local Government Finance, pursuant to Order [28th January].

Local Government Finance,—Resolved, That the Limitation of Council Tax and Precepts (Relevant Notional Amounts) Report (England) 1994–95 (House of Commons Paper No. 181), which was laid before this House on 27th January, be approved.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

Local Government Finance,—Resolved, That the Special Grant Report (No. 9) (House of Commons Paper No. 180), which was laid before this House on 27th January, be approved.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr David Lightbown);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fifteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.45 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 3rd February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Legal Aid and Advice,—(1) Civil Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 229),

(2) Legal Aid in Civil Proceedings (Remuneration) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 228), and

(3) Legal Aid in Family Proceedings (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 230),

dated 2nd February 1994 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].
Other Papers:

2 Armed Forces Pay.—Twenty-third Report of the Review Body on Armed Forces Pay [by Command] [Cm. 2461] [The Prime Minister].

3 Atomic Energy.—Report and Accounts of British Nuclear Fuels for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

4 Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration.—Twenty-third Report of the Review Body on Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration [by Command] [Cm. 2460] [The Prime Minister].

5 Health Service Commissioner,—Second Report of the Health Service Commissioner, Session 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 197] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 Nursing Staff, Midwives, Health Visitors and Professions Allied to Medicine.—Eleventh Report of the Review Body on Nursing Staff, Midwives, Health Visitors and Professions Allied to Medicine on:—
(1) Nursing Staff, Midwives and Health Visitors, and
(2) Professions Allied to Medicine
[by Command] [Cm. 2462 and 2463] [The Prime Minister].

7 Public Libraries and Museums,—Report by the Secretary of State for Wales on public libraries for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

8 School Teachers,—Third Report of the School Teachers' Review Body [by Command] [Cm. 2466] [The Prime Minister].

9 Senior Salaries,—(1) Sixteenth Report of the Review Body on Senior Salaries, and
(2) Annex to the Sixteenth Report on Senior Salaries
[by Command] [Cm. 2464 and 2465] [The Prime Minister].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection
Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A Tessa Jowell (nominated in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77)); and had appointed in substitution Mr Geoffrey Hoon.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—(1) First Report from the Agriculture Committee [Milk Marketing]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 209]; and
(2) Memoranda laid before the Agriculture Committee
[Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 3rd February; to be printed [No. 80-vi] [Mrs Marion Roe].

[No. 41.]

Friday 4th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Liaison,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee on 25th November be printed [No. 211].

3 Energy Conservation Bill,—The Energy Conservation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
4 Protection of Dogs Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Dogs Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 18th February.

5 Hedgerows Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hedgerows Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 18th February.

6 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 11th February.

7 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Nicholas Baker.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 7th February.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 4th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


2 Local Government,—Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan (Areas) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 130), dated 26th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Other Papers:

3 Broadcasting,—Accounts of the Independent Television Commission additional payments and financial penalties by licensees for 1992-93; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 212] [Clerk of the House].

4 Members' Interests,—Register of Members' Interests as at 31st January 1994 [pursuant to Resolutions of 22nd May 1974 and 28th June 1993]; to be printed [No. 205] [Clerk of the House].

5 Miscellaneous (No. 1, 1994).—Convention on the transboundary effects of industrial accidents opened for signature at Helsinki from 17th March 1992 until 18th March 1992 and subsequently at the United Nations headquarters, New York, until 18th September 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 2443] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Treaty Series (No. 2, 1994).—Decision, done at Edinburgh on 12th December 1994, of the Heads of State of Government, meeting within the European Council, concerning certain problems raised by Denmark on the Treaty of European Union with associated conclusions of the Council and Declarations [by Command] [Cm. 2444] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1. Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

2. Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3. Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Social Security (Contributions) Bill, without Amendment.

4. Future of Scottish Democracy,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes the undemocratic influence and power of transnational and multinational companies in the economic life of Scotland and the deliberate erosion of the rights of Scottish workers by the imposition of legal shackles on trade unions and on their ability to defend workers’ living standards by industrial action and collective strength; further notes the weakening of democratic life in Scotland by the centralisation of power and decision-making in unelected quangos, such as the Scottish Enterprise network of companies, Scottish Homes and NHS trusts; condemns the dismantling of local government democracy proposed in the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill currently before the House; censures the Government for the continuing denial of a directly-elected Scottish Parliament, for which huge majorities of Scottish electors have voted in successive elections; recognises that the future of Scottish democracy depends upon giving effect to the sovereign right of the Scottish people to decide for themselves how and by whom they are governed; and therefore calls for the holding of a multi-option referendum in which the people living in Scotland can decide democratically the form of government best suited to their needs—(Mr John McAllion);

And it being Seven o’clock, proceedings thereon lapsed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business).

5. Parental Leave and Part-time and Temporary Work,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Department of Employment on 7th October 1993 and 7th December 1993, relating to parental and family leave, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Department of Employment on 7th October 1993 and 16th November 1993, relating to non-standard employment; endorses the Government’s view that measures taken in the field of social affairs should have full regard to the effects on job creation, to the principle of subsidiarity, and to the diversity of national traditions and practices; shares the Government’s view that the need for Community legislation on parental leave and leave for family reasons and associated social protection provisions has not been demonstrated; supports the Government’s view that it should not accept proposals which would increase the cost of employing part-time and temporary workers and reduce the number of jobs available; and endorses the Government’s view that terms and conditions of employment are best agreed directly by the parties concerned without outside interference—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 189.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Derek Enright, Mr Dennis Skinner: 99.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Department of Employment on 7th October 1993 and 7th December 1993, relating to parental and family leave, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Department of Employment on 7th October 1993 and 16th November 1993, relating to non-standard employment; endorses the Government’s view that measures taken in the field of social affairs should have full regard to the effects on job creation, to the principle of subsidiarity, and to the diversity of national traditions and practices; shares the Government’s view that the need for Community legislation on parental leave and leave for family reasons and associated social protection provisions has not been demonstrated; supports the Government’s view that it should not accept proposals which would increase the cost of employing part-time and temporary workers
and reduce the number of jobs available; and endorses the Government's view that terms and conditions of employment are best agreed directly by the parties concerned without outside interference.

6 Landfill of Waste.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 5953/91 and 7506/93 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of the Environment on 10th January 1994, relating to the landfill of waste; endorses the Government's view that the proposal is unnecessarily detailed and prescriptive and does not take sufficient account of the principle of subsidiarity which is enshrined in the Treaty of European Union; welcomes the Government's intention to press for the removal of a number of the more detailed provisions now that it is clear that other Member States wish to take forward the Directive; supports the Government's view that carefully controlled co-disposal is an environmentally sound practice, the banning of which in the United Kingdom would be detrimental to the environment and would lead to significantly increased disposal costs for certain types of industrial waste; and endorses the Government's intention to seek a common position in Council which would allow those countries who practise controlled co-disposal to continue to do so—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 184.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Michael Connarty: 103.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 5953/91 and 7506/93 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of the Environment on 10th January 1994, relating to the landfill of waste; endorses the Government's view that the proposal is unnecessarily detailed and prescriptive and does not take sufficient account of the principle of subsidiarity which is enshrined in the Treaty of European Union; welcomes the Government's intention to press for the removal of a number of the more detailed provisions now that it is clear that other Member States wish to take forward the Directive; supports the Government's view that carefully controlled co-disposal is an environmentally sound practice, the banning of which in the United Kingdom would be detrimental to the environment and would lead to significantly increased disposal costs for certain types of industrial waste; and endorses the Government's intention to seek a common position in Council which would allow those countries who practise controlled co-disposal to continue to do so.

7 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

8 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House now adjourn.—(Mr Michael Brown.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.32 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 7th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Channel Tunnel,—Draft Channel Tunnel (Security) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

2 European Communities.—(1) Draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Republic of Bulgaria) Order 1994,

(2) draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Czech Republic) Order 1994,

(3) draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and Romania) Order 1994, and
(4) draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Slovak Republic) Order 1994

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Companies,—Companies Act 1985 (Bank Accounts) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 233), dated 2nd February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

4 Education,—Education (Grant) (Henrietta Barnett School) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 156), dated 31st January 1994, and


[by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

5 Health and Safety,—(1) Batteries and Accumulators (Containing Dangerous Substances) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 232), dated 2nd February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine]; and

(2) Railways (Safety Case) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 237), dated 3rd February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

6 Land Drainage,—National Rivers Authority (Severn-Trent and Anglian Regional Flood Defence Committees Areas) (Boundaries) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 245), dated 1st February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

7 Local Government Finance,—Local Authorities (Alteration of Requisite Calculations and Funds) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 246), dated 7th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

8 Telecommunications,—Public Telecommunication System Designation (NYNEX CableComms Bury and Rochdale) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 234), dated 2nd February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

9 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—

(1) carpets and other textile floor coverings,

(2) coal extraction and manufacture of solid fuels,

(3) jewellery and coins,

(4) public gas supply,

(5) specialised chemical products mainly for industrial and agricultural purposes, and

(6) sugar and sugar by-products

[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

10 Museums and Galleries,—Account of the National Gallery for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 214] [Clerk of the House].

11 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on enforcing health and safety legislation in the workplace [by Act]; to be printed [No. 208] [Clerk of the House].

12 Telecommunications,—Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry under Section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to NYNEX CableComms Bury and Rochdale [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Paper withdrawn:

13 Channel Tunnel,—Draft Channel Tunnel (Security) Order 1994 [laid 1st February].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—(1) Eleventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Excess Votes]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 215]; and
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(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 7th February; to be printed [No. 216-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 43.]

Tuesday 8th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Death of a Member,—The Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Stephen David Wyatt Milligan, Esquire, Member for Eastleigh, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Statutory Sick Pay Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

5 Statutory Sick Pay Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Statutory Sick Pay Bill to be considered to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 44].

6 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend section 1(1) of the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) Act 1990 so as to increase the age set out therein: And that Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Richard Spring, Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr Tony Banks, Mr David Faber, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Richard Tracey, Mr Stuart Randall, Mr John Carlisle and Mr Iain Mills, do prepare and bring it in.

7 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Harry Greenway accordingly presented a Bill to amend section 1(1) of the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) Act 1990 so as to increase the age set out therein: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 18th February and to be printed [Bill 43].

8 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House, while welcoming the removal of unnecessary and out-of-date regulations, declines to give a Second Reading to a Bill which proposes to remove these regulations without providing a mechanism for proper debate and which encourages the transfer of decision-making over public money to private individuals who are in no way properly accountable to Parliament', instead thereof.—(Mr Malcolm Bruce.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Nigel Jones: 283.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 320.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading);
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 319.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 282.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

9 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill [Money],—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill ("the Bill"), it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any sums required by a Minister of the Crown, an office-holder, the Forestry Commissioners or the Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce for making payments under contracts entered into under or by virtue of the Act;
(b) any administrative expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown or office-holder in consequence of the provisions of the Act; and
(c) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act; and

(2) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable into the Consolidated Fund under any other Act.

In this Resolution—

"Minister of the Crown" has the same meaning as in the Ministers of the Crown Act 1975;

"office-holder" means—

(a) the holder of an office created or continued in existence by a public general Act of Parliament;
(b) the holder of an office the remuneration in respect of which is paid out of money provided by Parliament; and
(c) the registrar of approved driving instructors;

"the registrar of approved driving instructors" means the officer of the Secretary of State by whom the register of approved driving instructors established in pursuance of section 23 of the Road Traffic Act 1962 is compiled and maintained—(Mr Michael Brown);

And it being three quarters of an hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr David Lightbown: 302.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Eddie Loyden: 115.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any sums required by a Minister of the Crown, an office-holder, the Forestry Commissioners or the Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce for making payments under contracts entered into under or by virtue of the Act;
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10 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Irvine Patnick.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.55 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 8th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—(1) Agriculture Act 1986 (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 249), dated 7th February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard];
   (2) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Cambrian Mountains—Extension) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 240), dated 1st February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood];
   (3) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Clwydian Range) Designation Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 238), dated 1st February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood];
   (4) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Lleyn Peninsula) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 241), dated 1st February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood]; and
   (5) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Preseli) Designation Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 239), dated 1st February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].


Other Papers:

4 Duchies of Cornwall and Lancaster,—Revenue and Capital Accounts of the Duchy of Lancaster for the period 30th September 1992 to 29th September 1993 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

5 English Industrial Estates Corporation,—Report and Accounts of English Estates for 1992–93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

6 Museums and Galleries,—Account of the National Museum of Science and Industry for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]: to be printed [No. 217] [Clerk of the House].

7 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute on the 57th to 63rd Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1992–93 [by Command] [Cm. 2446] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by—
(1) the Secretary of State for Scotland on the Petition [3rd November 1993, in the last Session of Parliament] from citizens of the United Kingdom against the loss of public access to woodlands, and
(2) the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petitions [30th June and 23rd July 1993, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of Dundee and of Scotland for continued payment of pensions and benefits through sub-post offices
[by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 8th February; to be printed [No. 32-viii] [Mr Iain Mills].

2 Foreign Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 8th February: to be printed [No. 37-vii] [Mr David Howell].

3 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Seventh Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and

(2) Fourth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a Memorandum laid before the Committee;

to be printed [Nos. 19-vii and 20-iv] [Mr Bob Cryer].

4 Treasury and Civil Service, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 8th February; to be printed [No. 27-iv] [Mr John Watts].

[No. 44.]

Wednesday 9th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Income Tax,—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That its Addresses of 2nd February relating to Income Tax had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer.

I have received your Addresses praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order 1993, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Indonesia) Order 1993, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Uzbekistan) Order 1993 and the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport) (Saudi Arabia) Order 1993 be made in the form of drafts laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.

2 Accounts and Papers,— Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 British Railways (No. 4) Bill, — The Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the British Railways (No. 4) Bill and had amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire land; to confer further powers on the Board; and for connected purposes.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (See Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,— Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Proceedings were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill,—Mr Frank Cook reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 15th April.
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 221].

7 European Standing Committee A,——Mr Norman Hogg reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 8757/93 and 10761/93, relating to bovine somatotrophin (BST), and of the recommendation to prohibit the marketing and use of BST for the duration of milk quotas; and supports the subsequent Council Decision for a continuation of the existing moratorium until 31st December 1994, linked to a declaration that the Council uses this period to consider the implications of a long-term prohibition and, in particular, experience of its use in the United States.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

8 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,——Dr John G. Blackburn reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Sheriff Court Fees Amendment (No. 2) Order 1993 (S.I., 1993, No. 2957), referred to a Committee on 26th January.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No 224].

9 Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures),——Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision as to transcripts, oral evidence and other submissions to public inquiries, and for connected purposes: And that Sir Terence Higgins, Mr Robert Dunn, Mr Alan Williams, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Iain Mills, Mr Nigel Waterson and Mr Gary Waller do prepare and bring it in.

10 Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill,——Sir Terence Higgins accordingly presented a Bill to make provision as to transcripts, oral evidence and other submissions to public inquiries, and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed [Bill 46].

11 Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers),——The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers).

(In the Committee)

Ordered, That the order in which the remaining proceedings in Committee of the whole House on the Sunday Trading Bill are to be taken shall be Clause No. 2, Schedule No. 4, new Clauses and new Schedules.—(Mr Peter Lloyd.)

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule No. 4 (Rights of shop workers as respects Sunday working.)

Amendment (No. 63) proposed, in page 15, line 46, after the word 'customers', to insert the words 'and includes any work in connection with the delivery of goods for retail sale at the shop which necessarily involves attendance at or adjacent to the shop for the purpose of those deliveries'.—(Joan Ruddock.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 64) proposed, in page 16, line 23, after the word 'to', to insert the words 'section (Discrimination against prospective employees who object to Sunday working) and'.—(Mr John Hutton.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Eric Illsley: 274.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Derek Conway: 302.

Another Amendment (No. 43) proposed, in page 17, line 17, after the word 'etc.)', to insert the words 'or (aa) the reason the relations ceased to be so governed was that the employee was dismissed and the dismissal was unfair within the meaning of Part V of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978'.—(Mr Kevin Barron.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 67) made.
Another Amendment (No. 44) proposed, in page 17, line 35, after the word 'time', to insert the words 'whether or not he has previously given an opting-in notice'.—(Mr Kevin Barron.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed, in page 18, line 30, to leave out the words 'three months' and insert the words 'one month'.—(Mr Kevin Barron.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jim Dowd: 280.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Brown: 298.

Another Amendment (No. 50) proposed, in page 18, line 31, at the end, to insert the words—

'Limitation on working hours on Sunday

6A. No shop worker shall be employed on Sunday for more than eight hours and any provision in any shop worker's contract of employment or in any agreement which requires, or may have the effect of requiring, that worker to be so employed for more than eight hours is unenforceable to the extent that it so requires or may so require'.—(Joan Ruddock.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 52) proposed, in page 18, line 45, at the end, to insert the words 'or refused or proposed to refuse to give an opting-in notice, or having given such a notice refused or proposed to refuse to agree to do shop work on Sunday or on a particular Sunday, as required under paragraph 3(1)(b) above'.—(Mr Kevin Barron.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 65) proposed, in page 19, line 29, at the end, to insert the words—

'Right to double-time payments

9A. (1) A shop worker working on a Sunday shall be remunerated at twice the hourly rate applicable on a weekday to that job.

(2) It shall be the duty of the employer of a shop worker working on a Sunday to give him a written statement of the hourly rate applicable for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) above and of how that rate has been determined.

(3) A complaint by a shop worker that he has not been remunerated as required by sub-paragraph (1) above, that he has not been given any statement required by sub-paragraph (2) above or that he is aggrieved by anything in or by any omission from such a statement may be presented to an industrial tribunal.

(4) An industrial tribunal shall not consider a complaint under sub-paragraph (3) above unless it is presented to the tribunal before the end of the period of three months beginning when the act complained of was done.

(5) Where an industrial tribunal finds that a complaint presented to it under sub-paragraph (3) above is well founded the tribunal shall make such of the following as it considers just and equitable—

(a) an order declaring the rights of the complainant and the respondent in relation to the act to which the complaint relates, and

(b) an order requiring the respondent to pay to the complainant compensation not exceeding the limit for the time being imposed by section 75 of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978'.—(Joan Ruddock.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner: 269.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Michael Brown: 299.

Another Amendment (No. 55) proposed, in page 21, to leave out lines 15 to 29 and insert the words—
'13.—(1) Where under the contract of employment of a shop worker who is either a protected shop worker or an opted-out shop worker—

(a) the employer is, or may be, required to provide him with shop work for a specified number of hours each week,

(b) the shop worker has done shop work on Sunday (whether before or after the commencement date), and

(c) the shop worker gives the employer written notice, signed and dated by the shop worker, to the effect that this paragraph is to apply,

the employer shall be under a duty as far as reasonably practicable to provide him with shop work on weekdays in excess of the hours normally so worked by the shop worker on weekdays before he ceased to do shop work on Sundays to the extent that his earnings from the shop work so provided are equivalent to the earnings of the shop worker from working on Sunday on the last occasion when he so worked.

(2) Any failure of the employer to offer alternative hours of work or to remunerate the shop worker as required by sub-paragraph (1) above shall be regarded for the purposes of paragraph 10 above as a detriment'.—(Joan Ruddock.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 57 and 58) made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

A Clause (Terms and conditions of employment of Sunday-only workers)—(Joan Ruddock)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illesley, Mr Alan Meale: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 305.

And it being after Ten o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Timothy Wood reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

12 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted Business), That, at this day's sitting, the Sunday Trading Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

13 Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers),—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Sunday Trading Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers).

(In the Committee)

Another Clause (Non-abatement of statutory provisions)—(Mr Ken Purchase)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers), as amended, to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Derek Conway reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill (Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 and Schedule No. 4 and new Clauses and new Schedules relating to the employment of shop workers) and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, be considered to-morrow, and be printed [Bill 45].

14 Statutory Sick Pay Bill (Allocation of Time),—Ordered, That the Order of the House [14th December] be supplemented as follows:
Lords Amendments

1.—(1) The proceedings on Consideration of Lords Amendments to the Statutory Sick Pay Bill shall be completed at this day's sitting and, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion two hours after the commencement of the proceedings on this Order.

(2) For the purpose of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with sub-paragraph (1) above—

(a) the Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided and, if that Question is for the amendment of a Lords Amendment, shall then put forthwith the Question on any further Amendment of the Lords Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown and on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in the Lords Amendment or, as the case may be, in the Lords Amendment as amended.

(b) the Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining Lords Amendments as appear to the Speaker to involve questions of Privilege and shall—

(i) put forthwith the Question on any Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown to a Lords Amendment and then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in their Amendment or, as the case may be, in their Amendment as amended;

(ii) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in a Lords Amendment;

(iii) put forthwith with respect to the Amendments designated by the Speaker which have not been disposed of the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the Amendments; and

(iv) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments;

(c) as soon as the House has agreed or disagreed with the Lords in any of their Amendments the Speaker shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to the Lords Amendment.

Stages subsequent to first Consideration of Lords Amendments

2.—(1) The Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the consideration forthwith of any further Message from the Lords on the Bill.

(2) The proceedings on any further Message from the Lords shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion one hour after the commencement of those proceedings.

(3) For the purpose of bringing those proceedings to a conclusion—

(a) the Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided, and shall then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown which is related to the Question already proposed from the Chair;

(b) the Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining items in the Lords Message as appear to the Speaker to involve questions of Privilege and shall—

(i) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown on any item;

(ii) in the case of each remaining item designated by the Speaker, put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Proposal; and

(iii) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Proposals.

Supplemental

3.—(1) The Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons.
(2) Such a Committee shall report before the conclusion of the sitting at which it is appointed.

4.—(1) In this paragraph "the proceedings" means proceedings on Consideration of Lords Amendments or on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill, on the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons and the Report of such a Committee.

(2) Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(3) Proceedings under paragraph 1(2) or 2(3) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(4) No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings shall be made except by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

(5) If the proceedings are interrupted by a Motion for the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on the Motion shall be added to the period at the end of which the proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion.

(6) If the House is adjourned, or the sitting suspended, before the expiry of the period at the end of which the proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion, no notice shall be required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a Minister of the Crown for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.—(Mr Nicholas Scott.)

15 Statutory Sick Pay Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Statutory Sick Pay Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 4 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendments Nos. 1, 2 and 4.

16 Section 5 of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1993.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the Government's assessment as set out in sections 2, 4 and 5 of the Financial Statement and Budget Report for the purposes of section 5 of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1993—(Mr Stephen Dorrell); Thursday 10th February 1994

Question put.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 294.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Alan Meale: 239.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House approves the Government's assessment as set out in sections 2, 4 and 5 of the Financial Statement and Budget Report for the purposes of section 5 of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1993.

17 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Nicholas Baker);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Wednesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then sixteen minutes past One o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.16 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 9th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—(1) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Pennine Dales) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 253),

(2) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Somerset Levels and Moors) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 251),
(3) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 252),
(4) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (The Broads) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 254), and
dated 2nd February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

2 Environmental Protection, — Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Non-Refillable Refrigerant Containers) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 199), dated 31st January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


Other Papers:

4 Broadcasting, — Accounts of additional payments to the Independent Television Commission by television programme contractors for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Command] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

5 Isle of Man, — Agreement between the Governments of the Isle of Man and the United Kingdom regarding the payment of an annual amount to the United Kingdom Government [by Command] [Cm. 2449] [Mr Secretary Howard].

6 Merchant Shipping, — Report by the Department of Transport of exemptions granted under section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1906 to fishing vessels acting as guard ships for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

7 Public Petitions, — Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [15th December 1993] from the Residents of Letchworth against the siting of a clinical waste incinerator in Stotfold Road [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill, viz.: Mr Robert Atkins, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr A. J. Beith, Sir Richard Body, Mr Peter Bottomley, Dr Michael Clark, Mr Cynog Dafis, Sir John Hannam, Mr George Howarth, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Andrew Robathan, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr Peter Temple-Morris, Mr Patrick Thompson, Mr Gary Waller and Mr Malcolm Wicks.

2 Standing Committee F, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated twenty-eight Members to serve on Standing Committee F in respect of the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, viz.: Mr Peter Ainsworth, Mr Henry Bellingham, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Richard Burden, Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Nirj Joseph Deva, Mr Iain Duncan Smith, Mr Nigel Evans, Mr Derek Fatchett, Mr George Galloway, Mr Roger Goddard, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr John Heppell, Glenda Jackson, Helen Jackson, Mrs Angela Knight, Mr Keith Mans, Mr Andrew Miller, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Steve Norris, Mr Gordon Prentice, Mr Andrew Rowe, Mr Tim Sainsbury, Mr John Spellar, Mr John Sykes and Dr Tony Wright.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 9th February; to be printed [No. 67-v] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 9th February; to be printed [No. 222-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Education, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 9th February; to be printed [No. 223] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

4 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 9th February; to be printed [No. 63-vii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

5 European Legislation, — Seventh Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-vii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

6 Home Affairs, — First Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Computer Pornography], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be
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1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
   (1) the Energy Conservation Bill to Standing Committee C; and
   (2) the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill to Standing Committee F.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
   (1) Mr Roy Hughes Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill;
   (2) Mr Norman Hogg, Sir Giles Shaw, Mr Frank Cook and Mr Iain Mills to be Chairmen of Standing Committee F in respect of the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill; and
   (3) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Northern Ireland Committee in respect of the Matter of the proposal for a draft Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1994.

3 European Standing Committees,—The Select Committee on European Legislation has withdrawn its recommendation [27th February 1991] that European Community Document No. 4187/91, relating to the liability of suppliers of services, be further considered; and the document no longer stands referred to European Standing Committee B.

4 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 4075/94, relating to social policy, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 4th February 1994, relating to common rules for the internal market in electricity and gas, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 45.]

Thursday 10th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 17th February.

2 Sheffield Assay Office Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheffield Assay Office Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 17th February.
3 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 17th February.

4 University of London Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 17th February.

5 Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords] have leave to visit and inspect the site of the proposed works and areas affected by the proposed works, provided that no evidence shall be taken in the course of such visit and that any party who has made an appearance before the Committee be permitted to attend by his Counsel, Agent or other representative.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

6 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

7 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

8 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

9 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

10 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
   River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords], The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the diversion of a section of the river Calder between Kirkthorpe Weir and Stanley Ferry Aqueducts in the District of Wakefield; to authorise the Council of the City of Wakefield to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on the Council; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

11 River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords],—The River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.
   Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

12 Welsh Affairs,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 98 (Welsh Grand Committee), That the Matter of education standards in Wales, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for its consideration.—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

13 Royal Assent, The Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses:
   Social Security (Contributions) Act 1994

14 Opposition day [3rd allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.
   Child Support Agency,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House believes a parent has a duty to contribute to the maintenance of his or her child, and that duty must lie at the heart of any system of child support; recognises the widespread anger and dismay felt by thousands of families whose lives have been affected by the introduction of the Child Support Agency and calls for a further urgent review of its operation; welcomes the changes announced by the Government and now approved by the House, but believes these do not amount to the fundamental review that is required and fail to tackle key areas of concern such as the lack of an independent review procedure to deal with special circumstances to be defined in statute, which must be addressed if perceived injustice is to be eliminated and public confidence restored.—(Mr Donald Dewar);

   An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘welcomes the support of the all-party Select Committee on Social Security for the principles of the Child Support Act 1991; reaffirms its own support for those principles, in particular that every parent has a duty to contribute to the maintenance of his or her child, that the amount of maintenance paid for children should be increased, and that the cost of bringing up children should fall on other taxpayers only if parents are unable to maintain their children themselves;
recognises the inconsistency and arbitrariness of the previous court-based system, which
gave insufficient priority to parental support of children and left many children on benefit;
welcomes the important changes recently introduced by the Government in response to
to early experience of the new scheme and the Select Committee's report on its practical
working; and approves the Government's intention to keep the arrangements under
continuing close review as further experience is gained; instead thereof.-(Mr Secretary
Lilley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question;
Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.
And the Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.
Tellerr for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Dennis Turner: 285.
Tellerr for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 316.
So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith,
pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);
The House divided.
Tellerr for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 314.
Tellerr for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Alan Meale: 279.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.
Resolved, That this House welcomes the support of the all-party Select Committee on
Social Security for the principles of the Child Support Act 1991; reaffirms its own support
for those principles, in particular that every parent has a duty to contribute to the
maintenance of his or her child, that the amount of maintenance paid for children should
be increased, and that the cost of bringing up children should fall on other taxpayers only
if parents are unable to maintain their children themselves; recognises the inconsistency
and arbitrariness of the previous court-based system, which gave insufficient priority to
parental support of children and left many children on benefit; welcomes the important
changes recently introduced by the Government in response to early experience of the new
scheme and the Select Committee's report on its practical working; and approves the
Government's intention to keep the arrangements under continuing close review as
further experience is gained.

15 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Thursday 10th February 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:
1 Pensions,—Draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
2 Social Security,—(1) Draft Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating and National Insurance Fund Payments) Order 1994, and
   (2) draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
3 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—(1) Draft Statutory Sick Pay (Rate of Payment) Order 1994, and
   (2) draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:
4 Armorial Bearings, Ensigns and Flags,—Lyon Court and Office Fees (Variation) Order 1994
   (S.I., 1994, No. 201), dated 27th January 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
   276), dated 9th February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].
6 National Health Service,—(1) Mid Essex Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 224), dated 3rd February 1994,
   (2) National Health Service (Functions of Family Health Services Authorities in London) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 284), dated 8th February 1994,
   (3) Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 223), dated 3rd February 1994,
   (4) South Western Regional Health Authority (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 225), dated 3rd February 1994, and

Other Papers:

7 Merchant Shipping,—Report by the Department of Transport of exemptions granted under section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1906 from the requirements of the Shipping (Load Lines) Act 1987 for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Transport on the Petition [19th January 1994] from Mr and Mrs Colin Clarke for safety measures in respect of the A49 road in Craven Arms [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Social Fund,—Account of the Social Fund for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 213] [Clerk of the House].


APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 10th February; to be printed [No. 63-viii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

2 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 10th February; to be printed [No. 102-li] [Mrs Marion Roe].

3 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 10th February; to be printed [No. 139-v] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

[No. 46.]

Friday 11th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of Cambridge against retrenchment in school funding was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

4 Tobacco Advertising Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tobacco Advertising Bill;
   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
   And it being Eleven o'clock, the Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings).
   And the Question being again proposed;
   Mr Kevin Barron rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Howarth, Mr Hugh Bayley: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Atkinson, Mr Charles Hendry: 17.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

5 Sale and Supply of Goods Bill, — The Sale and Supply of Goods Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

6 Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill, — The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 25th February.

7 Employment Protection (Government Communications Headquarters) Bill, —The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employment Protection (Government Communications Headquarters) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 20th May.

8 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords], —The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 25th February.

9 Business of the House, — Ordered, That—

(1) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(i) at the sitting on Monday 14th February—

(a) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to the draft Airports (Northern Ireland) Order not later than Seven o’clock;

(b) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to the draft Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order not later than one and a half hours after their commencement;

(c) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Brooke relating to Cultural Objects not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; and

(d) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Lang relating to Housing (Scotland) not later than half-past Eleven o’clock;

(ii) at the sitting on Tuesday 15th February—

(a) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Howard relating to Representation of the People not later than two hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such Motion;

(b) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the names of Mr Anthony Nelson relating to Financial Services, Banks and Banking and Building Societies, and of Mr Secretary Heseltine relating to Insurance not later than one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such Motion; and

(c) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Redwood relating to Local Government Finance (Wales) not later than half-past Eleven o’clock; and
(iii) at the sitting on Wednesday 16th February—
(a) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary MacGregor relating to Channel Tunnel not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; and
(b) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Lilley relating to Pensions, Social Security and Terms and Conditions of Employment not later than Ten o'clock;
and the above Motions may be proceeded with, though opposed, after the expiry of the time for opposed business; and

(2) at the sitting on Monday 21st February, in Committee of the whole House on new Clauses committed thereto in respect of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, the Chairman shall—
(i) not later than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such new Clause relating to capital punishment; and
(ii) not later than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such new Clause relating to the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain, respectively, put—
(a) the Question already proposed from the Chair;
(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including, in the case of a new Clause which has been read a second time, the Question on any Amendment to such a new Clause which has been selected by him and which may then be moved and, thereafter, the Question that the Clause, or the Clause as amended, be added to the Bill); and
(c) any Question necessary to dispose of any other new Clauses and Amendments thereto, which have been selected by him and which may then be moved.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

10 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 14th February.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Friday 11th February 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Ecclesiastical Law,—Draft Grants to the Redundant Churches Fund Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Food,—Quick-frozen Foodstuffs (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 298), dated 9th February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

3 Income Tax,—(1) Income Tax (Building Societies) (Dividends and Interest) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 296), and
   (2) Income Tax (Deposit-takers) (Interest Payments) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 295),
   dated 10th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

Other Papers:

4 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on private medical services [by Command] [Cm. 2452] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee C, Mrs Barbara Roche (nominated in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr John McAllion.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Selection,—Ordered, That Mr Richard Tracey be discharged from the Committee of Selection and Mr Andrew MacKay be added to the Committee. — (Mr David Lightbown.)

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

3 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr George Mudie reported from the Committee on the British Waterways Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

   Intelligence Services Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision about the Secret Intelligence Service and the Government Communications Headquarters, including provision for the issue of warrants and authorisations enabling certain actions to be taken and for the issue of such warrants and authorisations to be kept under review; to make further provision about warrants issued on applications by the Security Service; to establish a procedure for the investigation of complaints about the Secret Intelligence Service and the Government Communications Headquarters; to make provision for the establishment of an Intelligence and Security Committee to scrutinise all three of those bodies; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

   British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the acquisition of British citizenship by certain of the British nationals in Hong Kong; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

7 Intelligence Services Bill [Lords].—The Intelligence Services Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 49].

8 British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill [Lords].—The British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed [Bill 48].

9 European Parliamentary Elections (Gibraltar) Bill,—Mr Jeff Rooker presented a Bill to entitle residents of Gibraltar to vote as electors in an English constituency in elections to the European Parliament; to amend the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978; and for connected purposes; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th April and to be printed [Bill 47].

10 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Airports (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 9th December, be approved—(Mr Tim Smith);

   The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Michael Brown: 270.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Don Dixon: 224.

   So the Question was agreed to.

   Resolved, That the draft Airports (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 9th December, be approved.

11 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 9th December, be approved—(Mr Tim Smith);

   And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th February].
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 296.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Dennis Turner: 266.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1993, which was laid before this House on 9th December, be approved.

12 Cultural Objects.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Return of Cultural Objects Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 15th December, be approved—(Mr Iain Sproat);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th February]:— It was agreed to.

13 Housing (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 25th January, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 304.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jack Thompson: 250.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 25th January, be approved.

14 Energy Conservation Bill [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Energy Conservation Bill [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Energy Conservation Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—
(a) any expenses of any Minister under the Act, and
(b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act.—(Mr Sydney Chapman.)

15 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from—

(1) citizens of Coventry against—
(i) V.A.T. on domestic fuel, and
(ii) increased N.H.S. prescription charges;
(2) residents of Strathkelvin against proposals in the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill to divide the district; and
(3) Bernard Taylor for justice

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

16 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Sydney Chapman);

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And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes past Twelve o’clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.12 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 14th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism.—Draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 (Continuance) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education.—Education (Financial Delegation to Schools) (Mandatory Exceptions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.277), dated 8th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

3 Food.—Conwy Mussel Fishery (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 275), dated 1st February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Other Papers:

4 Census,—(1) Post Code Sector Monitors for—
   (i) Lancashire, and
   (ii) Liverpool,
   (2) Parliamentary Constituency Monitor for East Anglia
   (3) Ward and Civil Parish Monitors for—
      (i) Hertfordshire,
      (ii) Humberside, and
      (iii) Warwickshire, and
   (4) Ward and Community Monitor for Powys for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 International Monetary Arrangements,—Indemnity given by the Treasury to the Bank of England covering their commitment to the Bank for International Settlements in respect of a loan to the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr Patrick Thompson (nominated in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr Jerry Hayes.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Public Accounts,—(1) Twelfth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Department of Health and Social Services: the Provision of Acute Hospital Services in Northern Ireland]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 25];
   (2) Thirteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland: Road Safety]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 26]; and
   (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 14th February; to be printed [No. 229-i]
      [Mr Robert Sheldon].

2 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 14th February; to be printed [No. 192-ii] [Mr John Watts].

[No. 48.]

Tuesday 15th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Malvern Hills Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend certain enactments relating to the Malvern Hills Conservators and the management of the Malvern Hills; to confer further powers on the Malvern Hills Conservators; to make further provision in relation to the Malvern Hills; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Malvern Hills Bill [Lords].—The Malvern Hills Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

New Towns (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The New Towns (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 53].

Referendum (Scotland) Bill, Mrs Ray Michie, supported by Mr James Wallace, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Sir Russell Johnston, Sir David Steel and Mr Menzies Campbell, presented a Bill to make provision for the holding of a referendum, for all persons eligible to vote, on Scotland's future constitutional status: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 50].

Marriage (Amendment) Bill, —Mr Harry Cohen, supported by Mr David Clelland, Mr John Garrett and Mr Neil Gerrard, presented a Bill to amend the Marriage Act 1949: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 51].

Representation of the People (Amendment), —Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend and improve methods of electoral registration and to allow disabled people to gain access to polling stations: And that Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Robert Maclean, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Mr Richard Shepherd, Mr David Trimble, Alice Mahon, Mr David Alton and Mr Bill Michie do prepare and bring it in.

Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, —Mr Harry Barnes accordingly presented a Bill to extend and improve methods of electoral registration and to allow disabled people to gain access to polling stations: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 52].

Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 20th January, be approved (Mr Peter Lloyd);

And it being two hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th February].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 368.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Matthew Taylor, Mr Paul Tyler: 71.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 20th January, be approved.

The Deputy Speaker then put the Questions on the other Motions to be decided at that hour.

Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Wales) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 20th January, be approved—(Mr Peter Lloyd);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 365.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 28.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Wales) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 20th January, be approved.

Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualifications of Representatives) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 2nd February, be approved—(Mr Peter Lloyd);
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 364
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 45.
So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualifications of Representatives) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 2nd February, be approved.

11 Financial Services. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Auditors (Financial Services Act 1986) Rules 1994, which were laid before this House on 15th December, be approved—(Mr Anthony Nelson);
And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th February]:—It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker then put the Questions on the other Motions to be decided at that hour.

Banks and Banking. — Resolved, That the draft Accountants (Banking Act 1987) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 15th December, be approved.—(Mr Anthony Nelson.)

Building Societies. — Resolved, That the draft Building Societies (Auditors) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 15th December, be approved.—(Mr Anthony Nelson.)

Insurance. — Resolved, That the draft Auditors (Insurance Companies Act 1982) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 14th January, be approved.—(Mr Anthony Nelson.)

12 Local Government Finance (Wales). — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Local Government Finance (Amendment) Report (Wales) 1993–94 (House of Commons Paper No. 169), which was laid before this House on 31st January, be approved—(Mr Secretary Redwood);

The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Timothy Wood: 303.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Jack Thompson: 269.
So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Local Government Finance (Amendment) Report (Wales) 1993–94 (House of Commons Paper No. 169), which was laid before this House on 31st January, be approved.

13 Local Government Finance (Wales). — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Local Government Finance Report (Wales) 1994–95 (House of Commons Paper No. 168), which was laid before this House on 31st January, be approved—(Mr Derek Conway);

The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patrick: 292.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Terry Lewis: 178.
So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Local Government Finance Report (Wales) 1994–95 (House of Commons Paper No. 168), which was laid before this House on 31st January, be approved.

14 Business of the House. — Ordered, That, at the sitting on Monday 21st February, the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

15 Adjournment. — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.25 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Tuesday 15th February 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Northern Ireland,—Draft Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Housing,—Housing (Change of Landlord) (Payment of Disposal Cost by Instalments) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 266), dated 4th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 Public Health,—Public Health (International Trains) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 311), dated 14th February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

4 Social Security,—Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 268), dated 8th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].


6 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the Governing Body of St. Catherine’s College, Oxford, on 16th November 1993, amending the statutes of the College [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

7 Appropriations in Aid,—Treasury Minute, dated 15th February 1994, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes specified in the Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

8 Defence (Votes A) 1994-95,—Estimates of the maximum number of personnel to be maintained for service with the Armed Forces for 1994-95 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 201] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

9 Law Commissions,—Report of the Law Commission on binding over [by Command] [Cm. 2439] [Mr John M. Taylor].

10 Social Security,—Report by the Social Security Advisory Committee on the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Amendment Regulations 1994; with a statement by the Secretary of State for Social Security [by Command] [Cm. 2450] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

11 Supply Estimates, 1992-93,—Statement of the sums required to be voted in order to make good excesses on certain grants for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 198] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

12 Supply Estimates, 1993-94,—(1) Spring Supplementary Estimates for Class XIX, A, Vote 2 (House of Commons: Works Services) for 1993-94 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 200] [The Speaker]; and

(2) Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1993-94 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 199] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].


APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 15th February; to be printed [No. 233-i] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 15th February; to be printed [No. 139-vii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

3 Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 14th February; to be printed [No. 230-i] [Mr William McKelvey].
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4 Statutory Instruments,—Eighth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-viii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 49.]

Wednesday 16th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee), — Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

3 Selection, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees, — A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Energy Conservation Bill, — Mr Roy Hughes reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Energy Conservation Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 22nd April.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 235].

6 Assistance for Local Authority Leaseholders, — Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require local authorities to identify residential properties of which the authority owns the freehold and which the leaseholders find hard to sell; to require local authorities to make available mortgage guarantees to assist the sale of certain local authority leaseholds of residential property; to enable local authorities to repurchase the leases of certain leaseholds of residential properties; and for connected purposes: And that Mr John Denham, Mr Clive Betts, Mr Nick Raynsford, Mr Mike Gapes, Mr Clive Soley, Tessa Jowell, Glenda Jackson, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Neil Gerrard, Mr Keith Hill, Bridget Prentice and Mr David Jamieson do prepare and bring it in.

7 Assistance for Local Authority Leaseholders Bill, — Mr John Denham accordingly presented a Bill to require local authorities to identify residential properties of which the authority owns the freehold and which the leaseholders find hard to sell; to require local authorities to make available mortgage guarantees to assist the sale of certain local authority leaseholds of residential property; to enable local authorities to repurchase the leases of certain leaseholds of residential properties; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 29th April and to be printed [Bill 54].

8 Channel Tunnel, — Resolved, That the draft Channel Tunnel (Security) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 7th February, be approved. —(Mr Roger Freeman.)

9 Pensions, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved—(Mr Secretary Lilley);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Irvine Patnick: 228.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Jim Cunningham: 53.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved.

10 Social Security, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved—(Mr Secretary Lilley);
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 231.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 50.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved.

11 Terms and Conditions of Employment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 10th February, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Brown: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours, Mr Terry Lewis: 52.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 10th February, be approved.

12 Social Security.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating and National Insurance Fund Payments) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Brown: 221.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr George Mudie: 46.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating and National Insurance Fund Payments) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved.

13 Terms and Conditions of Employment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Rate of Payment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Brown: 233.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 44.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Rate of Payment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved.

14 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from Alan John Howes for better regulation of taxis in the Metropolis was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

15 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 16th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Atomic Energy and Radioactive Substances,—Draft Nuclear Installations (Increase of Operators' Limits of Liability) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education.—Education (School Financial Statements) (Prescribed Particulars etc.) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 323), dated 15th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

3 National Health Service.—(1) Essex Rivers Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 281),
   (2) Good Hope Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 280),
   (3) New Possibilities National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 278), and
   (4) Richmond, Twickenham and Roehampton Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 279),
dated 9th February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other Papers:

4 Census,—(1) Postcode Sector Monitors for—
   (i) Bristol and the Severn,
   (ii) Essex,
   (iii) London Postal Districts, and
   (iv) West Midlands, and
   (2) Ward and Civil Parish Monitor for Shropshire
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
   (1) cotton and silk industries,
   (2) measuring, checking and precision instruments and apparatus,
   (3) production of man-made fibres, and
   (4) refractory and ceramic goods
   [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

6 Census (Scotland),—Postcode Sectors Monitor for Borders Region for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 Environment,—Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Environment Committee, Session 1992-93, on energy efficiency in buildings [by Command] [Cm. 2453] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

8 European Communities,—Agreement, done at Luxembourg on 5th April 1993, between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Coal and Steel Community of the one part and the Republic of Slovenia, of the other part, with Final Act and Declarations [by Command] [Cm. 2448] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 Forestry,—(1) Report and Accounts of the Forestry Commission for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 151] [Mr Secretary Lang, Mr Secretary Redwood and Mrs Gillian Shephard]; and
   (2) Statements of the—
      (i) Department of Forestry Accounts
      (ii) Forestry Fund Receipts and Payments Account, and
      (iii) Forestry Enterprise Accounts
   for 1992-93, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 151] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

10 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the relocation of the Patent Office [by Act]; to be printed [No. 228] [Clerk of the House].
11 Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [7th July, in the last Session of Parliament], from residents of Nottingham against age-related benefits [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Tobacco Advertising Bill, viz.; Ms Janet Anderson, Mr Kevin Barron, Mr Hugh Bayley, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr John Carlisle, Sir Peter Emery, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Alan Howarth, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Ian McCartney, Dr Lewis Moonie, Estelle Morris, Mr Tom Sackville, Dr Robert Spink, Mr Peter Thurnham, Mr Michael Trend and Mr Mark Wolfson.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 16th February; to be printed [No. 67-vi]; and
   (2) Memorandum laid before the Agriculture Committee [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 16th February; to be printed [No. 63-ix] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 European Legislation,—Eighth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-viii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Foreign Affairs,—Memoranda laid before the Foreign Affairs Committee [Mr David Howell].

5 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 16th February; to be printed [No. 240-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Procedure on 16th February; to be printed [No. 238-i] [Sir Peter Emery].

7 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 16th February; to be printed [No. 241-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

8 Science and Technology,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 16th February; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Science and Technology Committee to be printed [Nos. 74-v and -III] [Sir Giles Shaw].

9 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 16th February; to be printed [No. 70-v] [Mr Frank Field].

10 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 16th February; to be printed [No. 239-i] [Mr Paul Channon].

11 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 2nd and 16th February; to be printed [Nos. 236-i and -ii] [Mr John Watts].

12 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 16th February; to be printed [No. 234] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA
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1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the Tobacco Advertising Bill and the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill to Standing Committee C.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
(1) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Tobacco Advertising Bill; and

(2) Mr Roy Hughes Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of education standards in Wales.

[No. 50.]

Thursday 17th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 24th February.

2 Sheffield Assay Office Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheffield Assay Office Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 24th February.

3 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 24th February.

4 University of London Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 24th February.

5 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

6 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

7 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

8 Northern Ireland Committee,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Northern Ireland Committee, That it had considered the Matter of the proposal for a Children (Northern Ireland) Order, referred to it on 26th January, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 242].
9 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:—

Mental Health (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend section 145(1) of the Mental Health Act 1983; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Michael Brown);

And it being Ten o’clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

11 Public Accounts,—Ordered, That Mr Robert Jackson be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Mr Richard Tracey be added to the Committee.—(Mr Timothy Wood.)

12 European Legislation,—Ordered, That Mr Kevin Hughes be added to the Select Committee on European Legislation.—(Mr Timothy Wood.)

13 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from students of St. John’s College, Oxford, against the inclusion of contraceptives on the limited list of medicines was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Timothy Wood);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Thursday 17th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Local Government Finance,—Special Grant Report (No. 10) for 1994-95 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 218] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 Local Government (Scotland),—(1) Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 1994, and (2) Revenue Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Northern Ireland,—Draft Local Elections (Variation of Limits of Candidates’ Election Expenses) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

4 Representation of the People,—(1) Draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard]; (2) draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew]; and (3) draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates’ Election Expenses) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

Other Papers:

6 Local Government Finance (Scotland),—Reports by the Secretary of State for Scotland on—
   (1) the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 1994, and
   (2) the Revenue Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1994
   [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 231 and 232] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 Miscellaneous (No. 2, 1994),—Convention, done at The Hague on 23rd June 1993, for the
   establishment of the European Radiocommunications Office (ERO) [by Command]
   [Cm. 2451] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the
   merger situation between the National Express Group PLC and Saltire Holdings Ltd.
   [by Command] [Cm. 2468] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

Health,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 17th February; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Health Committee;
   to be printed [Nos. 80-vii and 227] [Mrs Marion Roe].

[No. 51.]

Friday 18th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to
   be printed (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Greenwich and Woolwich against
   proposed closures of hospitals and for a public inquiry into the N.H.S. in the area was
   presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

3 Chiropractors Bill,—The Chiropractors Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and
   stood committed to a Standing Committee.

4 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the
   Second Reading of the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill;
   
   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read
   a second time;
   
   And if being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 25th February.

5 Race Relations (Remedies) Bill,—The Race Relations (Remedies) Bill was, according to
   Order, read a second time.

   A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing
   Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the
   whole House—(Mr Keith Vaz):—It was agreed to.

   Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—
   The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.
(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Andrew Mitchell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

6 Protection of Dogs Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 4th February, That the Protection of Dogs Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered. That the Debate be resumed on Friday 25th February.

7 Hedgerows Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hedgerows Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 18th March.

8 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 4th March.

9 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 21st February.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 18th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Copyright,—Copyright (Application to Other Countries) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 263), dated 8th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].


Other Papers:

7 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [14th January] from the residents of the Midlands against unjustifiable discrimination against the disabled [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

8 Treaty Series (No. 3, 1994),—Agreement, done at Vilnius on 17th May 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cm. 2455] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill (New Clauses of which notice was given not later than 9th February relating to capital punishment and the age of consent for acts between men in Great Britain),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill (New Clauses of which notice was given not later than 9th February relating to capital punishment and the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain).

(In the Committee)

A Clause (Punishment for murder of a police officer)—(Mr John Greenway)—brought up, and read the first time;

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And, it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first new Clause relating to capital punishment, the Chairman put the Question already proposed from the Chair, pursuant to Order [11th February].

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Michael Shersby: 186.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr John McAllion: 383.

The Chairman then put the Question necessary to dispose of another new Clause relating to capital punishment which had been selected by him.

Another Clause (Punishment for murder)—(Mrs Elizabeth Peacock)—brought up, and read the first time;

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Phil Gallie, Mr Michael Shersby: 159.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr John McAllion: 403.

Another Clause (Amendment of the law relating to sexual acts between men (No. 1))—(Mrs Edwina Currie)—brought up, and read the first time;

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And, it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first new Clause relating to the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain, the Chairman put the Question already proposed from the Chair.

The Committee proceeded to a Division; but the Tellers in the Aye lobby having left the doors before all the Members wishing to do so had voted, the Chairman directed the Committee to proceed again to a Division.

Tellers for the Ayes, Marjorie Mowlam, Mr Andrew Rowe: 280.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Richard Page, Mr Bill Walker: 307.

The Chairman then put the Questions necessary to dispose of another new Clause relating to the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain which had been selected by him.

Another Clause (Age at which homosexual acts are lawful)—(Sir Anthony Durant)—brought up, and read the first time;

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Richard Page, Mr Tim Devlin: 427.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bill Walker, Dr Robert Spink: 162.
From: Chris Pond (PONDCC)
To: bainespj
Date: Tuesday 15 November, 1994 1:02 pm
Subject: Laura Hamilton

Just to remind----you were going to copy the PNWJ letter.
Spine —

return to V/I/O
Clause added.

Bill (New Clauses of which notice was given not later than 9th February relating to capital punishment and the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain), as amended, to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Michael Brown reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill (New Clauses of which notice was given not later than 9th February relating to capital punishment and the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain) and made an Amendment to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

4 Broadcasting,—Ordered, That Mr Nick Ainger be discharged from the Select Committee on Broadcasting and Mr Terry Rooney be added to the Committee.—(Mr Michael Brown.)

5 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Michael Brown.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.19 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 21st February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


2 Local Government,—(1) Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Exemptions) (Wales) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 339), and

dated 14th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].


4 Sea Fisheries,—Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing and Fishing Methods) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 326), dated 14th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

5 Census,—Postcode Sector Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—

(1) East Anglia

(2) Manchester and Cheshire, and

(3) Yorkshire and Humberside

for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 National Heritage (Scotland),—Accounts of the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 246] [Clerk of the House].

7 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on—

(1) the Petition [20th January] from residents of Mickleton opposed to the building and operation of a Carbon Regeneration Plant in Mickleton, and
(2) the Petition [22nd October, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of the London Borough of Greenwich concerning the Standard Spending Assessment for Greenwich for the Financial Year 1994-95 [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 21st February; to be printed [No. 247-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 53.]

Tuesday 22nd February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords],—Ordered. That the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords] be read a second time on Thursday.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Non-Domestic Rating Bill, without Amendment.

5 Mental Health (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Mental Health (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 56].

6 European Communities,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Republic of Bulgaria) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell); And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

7 European Communities,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Czech Republic) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell); And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

8 European Communities,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Slovak Republic) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell); And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

9 European Communities,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and Romania) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);
And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

10 Representation of the People.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

11 Representation of the People.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

12 Representation of the People.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

13 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Local Elections (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

14 Ecclesiastical Law.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Grants to Redundant Churches Fund Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And not fewer than twenty Members having risen in their places and signified their objection thereto, the Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

15 Eggs from Foetuses (Prohibition of Use).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the use of eggs taken from aborted human foetuses for fertilisation procedures; and for connected purposes: And that Dame Jill Knight, Mr Michael Alison, Mr David Alton, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Joe Benton, Mr Derek Enright, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Phil Gallie, Mr Thomas Mcavoy, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, The Reverend Martin Smyth and Mrs Ann Winterton do prepare and bring it in.

16 Eggs from Foetuses (Prohibition of Use) Bill, Dame Jill Knight accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit the use of eggs taken from aborted human foetuses for fertilisation procedures; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 55].

17 Intelligence Services Bill [Lords],—The Intelligence Services Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Dr John Cunningham);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Chris Mullin: 122.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 299.

So the Question was negatived.

The Bill stood committed to a Standing Committee.

18 Intelligence Services Bill [Lords] [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Intelligence Services Bill [Lords] [Money];
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under that Act; and
(b) any expenditure attributable to the establishment of the Intelligence and Security Committee and the carrying out of their functions—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 268.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Bill Michie: 58.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under that Act; and
(b) any expenditure attributable to the establishment of the Intelligence and Security Committee and the carrying out of their functions.

19 Public Accounts,—Ordered, That Mr David Nicholson be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Sir David Mitchell be added to the Committee.—(Mr Michael Brown.)

20 Broadcasting,—Ordered, That Mr Bruce Grocott be discharged from the Select Committee on Broadcasting and Mr Nicholas Brown be added to the Committee.—(Mr Michael Brown.)

21 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Michael Brown.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.13 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 22nd February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 National Health Service,—Central Manchester National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 318), dated 14th February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other Papers:

2 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [14th February] from citizens of Coventry against V.A.T. on domestic fuel [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 22nd February; to be printed [No. 248-i] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Information,—(1) First Report from the Information Committee [The provision of a Parliamentary Data and Video Network], together with Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 6th and 13th December, 17th and 24th January and Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 237]; and
(2) Memoranda laid before the Information Committee [Mr Gary Waller].

3 Members’ Interests,—(1) First Report from the Select Committee on Members’ Interests [Publication of New Register of Members’ Interests] with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Members’ Interests on 22nd February;
to be printed [Nos. 219 and 85-iii] [Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith].
4 Statutory Instruments.—(1) Ninth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory
Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments on 22nd February; and
(3) Fifth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a
Memorandum laid before the Committee;
to be printed [Nos. 19-ix, 19-x and 20-v] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 54.]

Wednesday 23rd February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the British Railways (No.
4) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Bill to be read the third time.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered
to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix
II).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered
to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see
Appendix III).

5 Hare Coursing Bill,—Mr Colin Pickthall, supported by Mr Tony Banks, Mr Andrew
Bowden, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Mike Hall, Mr
Terry Lewis, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Elliot Morley, Mr Edward O’Hara and Mr Roger
Stott, presented a Bill to make hare coursing illegal; to prohibit the use of any place for
or in connection with hare coursing; to provide for the confiscation of any animal or
equipment used or to be used for or in connection with hare coursing; and for connected
purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on
Friday 18th March and to be printed [Bill 57].

6 Pensions Reform,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for
employers’ and employees’ pension contributions to be paid into personally owned funds
registered for the purpose of future pension payment: And that Mr Robert B. Jones, Mr
David Amess, Mr David Lidington, Mr Barry Field, Mr Richard Page, Mr Jerry Hayes,
Mr Jacques Arnold and Mr John Marshall do prepare and bring it in.

7 Pensions Reform Bill,—Mr Robert B. Jones accordingly presented a Bill to make provision
for employers’ and employees’ pension contributions to be paid into personally owned
funds registered for the purpose of future pension payment: And the same was read the
first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 4th March and to be printed
[Bill 58].

8 Sunday Trading Bill,—The House according to Order, proceeded to consider the Sunday
Trading Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.
A Clause (Loading and unloading at large shops on Sunday morning)—(Mr Peter
Lloyd)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Construction of certain leases and agreements)—(Mr Peter Lloyd)—
brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Meaning of “local authority”)—(Mr Michael Brown)—brought up,
read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Non-abatement of statutory provisions)—(Mr Ken Purchase)—
brought up, and read the first time.
Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ken Purchase, Glenda Jackson: 276.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 312.
Amendments (Nos. 50 and 51) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Loading and unloading at large shops on Sunday morning) — (Mr Peter Lloyd) — brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Other Amendments (Nos. 52, 24 to 26, 53, 27 and 54) made to the Bill.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 36, to leave out the words 'sub-paragraphs (2) and (3)' and insert the word 'sub-paragraph (2)', instead thereof. — (Mr Michael Alison.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Bill Olner, Mr Michael Lord: 239.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Marshall, Mr Michael Fabricant: 300.

Other Amendments (Nos. 28 and 56) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 38) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 45, to leave out from the word 'shop' to the end of line 46 and insert the words —

(a) in respect of any Sunday other than a Sunday specified in sub-paragraph (b) below, before 1 pm, and
(b) in respect of any Sunday falling within the period in any year commencing with 27th November and ending with 24th December, before 4 pm. — (Sir John Hannam.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Sir John Hannam, Mr Hugh Bayley: 258.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Marshall, Mr Michael Fabricant: 308.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

9 Business of the House, A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Sunday Trading Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour — (Mr Andrew Mitchell): It was agreed to.

10 Sunday Trading Bill, The House again proceeded to consider the Sunday Trading Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 46, at the end, to insert the words 'but this sub-paragraph has effect subject to sub-paragraph (4) below.'

(4) The exemption conferred by sub-paragraph (3) above does not apply where the Sunday is Easter Day or Christmas Day. — (Mr David Alton.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Ms Liz Lynne, Mrs Ray Michie: 304.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Marshall, Mr Michael Fabricant: 247.

Other Amendments (Nos. 29 to 34, 55, 57 to 59, 35 and 22) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 19) proposed to the Bill, in page 14, line 16, at the end, to insert the words —

'Right to enhanced pay for Sunday work'

9A. A shop worker shall be entitled to remuneration from his employer in respect of shop work undertaken on a Sunday at a rate of pay which exceeds that which he earns in the case of shop work undertaken by him for that employer during his normal working hours on a weekday or in the case of a shop worker required to work only on a Sunday, at a rate of pay which exceeds that earned by a shop worker carrying out similar shop work for that employer during his normal working hours on a weekday'. — (Joan Ruddock.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Jack Thompson: 279.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 317.

Other Amendments (Nos. 23, 36, 37 and 60) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Dame Angela Rumbold, Mr John Marshall: 311.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Jack Thompson: 218.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Thursday 24th February 1994

11 Home Affairs,—Ordered, That Mr Donald Anderson be discharged from the Home Affairs Committee and Mr Jim Cunningham be added to the Committee.—(Mr Don Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

12 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Sydney Chapman.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Twelve o’clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.30 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 23rd February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Local Government,—(1) Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Surrey (County Boundaries) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 330), and
   (2) Greater London and Surrey (County and London Borough Boundaries) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 331),
   dated 15th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other Papers:

2 Belize Defence Force,—Ministry of Defence Minute on the gifting of equipment to the Belize Defence Force [by Command] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

3 British Nationality,—Report of the Governor of Hong Kong to the Secretary of State for the Home Department under the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Act 1990 for the period 7th November 1992 to 6th November 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 195] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 Census,—(1) Postcode Sector Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for:
   (i) Berkshire and Surrey, and
   (ii) Outer London North
   for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];
   (2) Postcode Sectors Monitors of the General Register Office Scotland for:
   (i) Central Region
   (ii) Dumfries and Galloway Region
   (iii) Fife Region
   (iv) Grampian Region
   (v) Lothian Region
   (vi) Orkney Islands Area
   (vii) Shetland Islands Area
   (viii) Tayside Region, and
   (ix) Western Isles Islands Area
   for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang];
   (3) Topic Report for Health Areas of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland for Great Britain, and
   (4) Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for Kent
   for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 European Communities,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs and the Secretary of State for Home Affairs on the Twenty-eighth Report from the House of Lords Select Committee on the European
Communities, Session 1992–93, on House of Lords Scrutiny of the Inter-Governmental Pillars of the European Union [by Command] [Cm. 2471] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Gas,—Report of the Director General of Gas Supply for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 203] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

7 Miscellaneous (No. 3, 1994),—Protocol No. 1, done at Strasbourg on 4th November 1993, to the European Convention for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, signed at Strasbourg on 26th November 1987 [by Command] [Cm. 2457] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 Miscellaneous (No. 4, 1994),—Protocol No. 2, done at Strasbourg on 4th November 1993, to the European Convention for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, signed at Strasbourg on 26th November 1987 [by Command] [Cm. 2459] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 National Audit, —Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General on—

(1) HM Customs and Excise: Prevention and Detection of Internal Fraud, and
(2) Scottish Homes: Management and Sale of Houses in the Borders Region
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 244 and 243] [Clerk of the House].

10 National Health Service, —Treasury Minute concerning the dissolution and reconfiguration of certain N.H.S. trusts: remission of outstanding debt [by Command] [Mr Michael Portillo].

11 Natural Heritage (Scotland),—Report and Accounts of Scottish Natural Heritage for 1992–93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


13 Treaty Series (No. 4, 1994),—Agreement, done at Montevideo on 23rd January 1992, on Legal Assistance in relation to Drug Trafficking between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay [by Command] [Cm. 2458] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

14 United States (No. 1, 1994),—Fortieth Annual Report of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission for the year ending 30th September 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2454] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill, viz.: Mr Richard Alexander, Mr Hartley Booth, Mr David Cielland, Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Stephen Day, Mr Jim Dowd, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Martyn Jones, Mrs Angela Knight, Mr Patrick McLoughlin, Mr Richard Page, Mr David Rendel and Mr Dennis Turner.

2 Standing Committee E,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated twenty Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr Hartley Booth, Mr David Davis, Mr David Faber, Mr Douglas French, Mr Edward Garnier, Dr John Gilbert, Mr Douglas Hogg, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr John Hutton, Mr Nigel Jones, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr David Lidington, Mr Peter Mandelson, Mr Chris Mullin, Bridget Prentice, Mr Mark Robinson, Mr Allan Rogers, Mr Roy Thomason, Mr Michael Trend and Mr David Winnick.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 67-vii] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence,—(1) Second Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Reply to the Tenth Report from the Defence Committee, Session 1992-93]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 23rd February; to be printed [Nos. 251 and 252-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonser].
3 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 255-i] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

4 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 63-x and -xi] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

5 European Legislation,—Ninth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-ix] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 42-vi] [Mr James Pawsey].

7 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Procedure on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 238-ii] [Sir Peter Emery].

8 Public Accounts,—(1) Fourteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Northern Ireland Audit Office Estimate 1994-95 and Supplementary Estimate 1993-94]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 58];

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 257-i]; and

(3) Memoranda laid before the Committee of Public Accounts [Mr Robert Sheldon].

9 Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 230-ii] [Mr William McKelvey].

10 Social Security,—Second Report from the Social Security Committee [The Work of the Maxwell Pension Fund Trustees]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 254] [Mr Frank Field].

11 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 239-ii] [Mr Paul Channon].

12 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 23rd February; to be printed [No. 236-iii] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 23rd February 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—

(1) the Chiropractors Bill to Standing Committee C; and

(2) the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee E.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed Mr Alan Haselhurst and Mr Barry Jones Chairmen of Standing Committee E in respect of the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords].
Thursday 24th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1. Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously enquired into is applicable thereto, viz:
   Malvern Hills Bill [Lords]
   River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords].

   Bills to be read a second time.

2. Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 3rd March.

3. Sheffield Assay Office Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sheffield Assay Office Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 3rd March.

4. Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 3rd March.

5. University of London Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 3rd March.

6. London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords];
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 3rd March.

7. Royal Assent,—The Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Act, agreed upon by both Houses;

8. Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

9. Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

10. Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

11. Liaison,—Sir Terence Higgins reported, pursuant to Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That the Liaison Committee had directed him to report the following recommendation for the allocation of time for the consideration of Estimates on allotted days (being the second allotted day (first part) in the present Session):
   That a half day not later than 18th March be allotted for the consideration of the following Supplementary Estimate for the financial year 1993–94:
   Class VII, Vote 1, Housing, England, in so far as it relates to grants in aid to the Housing Corporation.

   Report to lie upon the Table.

12. Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

13. Small Business Bill,—The Order for reading the Small Business Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.
Opposition day [4th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Unelected State Bodies.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns the rapid growth in expenditure by quangos and in the use of contractors to provide public services; notes that these organisations are not publicly accountable to elected representatives; is concerned that their proliferation has been accompanied by a loss in the quality of public services, by increased fraud and waste, and by falling standards in public life; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to review the progression towards an unelected state—(Mr Michael Meacher);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'congratulates the Government on the reduction by 36 per cent. in the numbers of Non-Departmental Public Bodies over the last fourteen years as well as on the gains in value for money that have been achieved through the introduction of compulsory competitive tendering in local government and the Competing for Quality initiative in Whitehall; rejects the proposition that contracting for services implies loss of accountability; welcomes the continuous improvement in the quality, value for money and responsiveness of public services not least through the implementation of the principles of the Citizen's Charter; notes that this Government's establishment of the Audit Commission and the increased powers and independence given to the Comptroller and Auditor General have led to more effective control of fraud and waste; and applauds the Government's continuing commitment to high standards in public life', instead thereof. (Mr William Waldegrave.)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The Deputy Speaker called the attention of the House to the persistent irrelevance of Mr David Shaw, Member for Dover, and directed him to discontinue his speech, pursuant to Standing Order No. 41 (Irrelevance or repetition).

Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put: It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Jim Dowd: 263.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 308.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Sydney Chapman: 306.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Jim Dowd: 245.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House congratulates the Government on the reduction by 36 per cent. in the numbers of Non-Departmental Public Bodies over the last fourteen years as well as on the gains in value for money that have been achieved through the introduction of compulsory competitive tendering in local government and the Competing for Quality initiative in Whitehall; rejects the proposition that contracting for services implies loss of accountability; welcomes the continuous improvement in the quality, value for money and responsiveness of public services not least through the implementation of the principles of the Citizen's Charter; notes that this Government's establishment of the Audit Commission and the increased powers and independence given to the Comptroller and Auditor General have led to more effective control of fraud and waste; and applauds the Government's continuing commitment to high standards in public life.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Michael Brown);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then two minutes to Eleven o'clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.58 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Thursday 24th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures).—Measure passed by the General Synod of the Church of England entitled Care of Cathedrals (Supplementary Provisions) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 249] [Clerk of the House].

2 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Draft Football Grounds (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994,
   (2) draft Industrial and Freight Transport (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, and
   (3) draft Mines and Quarries (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang]; and
   (4) draft Telecommunications Industry (Rateable Values) (Amendment) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

4 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
   (1) extraction of mineral oil and natural gas, and
   (2) mechanical power transmission equipment [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

5 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee on the Care of Cathedrals (Supplementary Provisions) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 250] [Clerk of the House].

6 Dartford-Thurrock Crossing,—Report and Accounts of Dartford River Crossing Limited for the period 1st November 1992 to 30th September 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

7 Hong Kong,—Paper, entitled Representative Government in Hong Kong [by Command] [Cm. 2432] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the proposed acquisition by Alcatel Cable SA of STC Limited [by Command] [Cm. 2477] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

9 Social Security,—Government Response to the First Report from the Social Security Committee, Session 1993-94, on the operation of the Child Support Act [by Command] [Cm. 2469] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 24th February; to be printed [No. 102-iii] [Mrs Marion Roe].
Friday 25th February 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2 Antarctic Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Antarctic Bill;
   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
   And it being Eleven o'clock, the Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings).
   And the Question being again proposed;
   And the Question being put:— It was agreed to.
   The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

3 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill;
   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
   And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 4th March.

4 Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 11th February, That the Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill be now read a second time;
   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 25th March.

5 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords],—The Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

6 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;
   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 4th March.

7 Protection of Dogs Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 4th February, That the Protection of Dogs Bill be now read a second time;
   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 4th March.

8 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—
   (1) at the sitting on Monday 28th February—
      (i) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Hurd relating to European Communities not later than one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such Motion;
      (ii) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the names of Mr Secretary Howard relating to Representation of the People and of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to Representation of the People and Northern Ireland not later than one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such Motion; and
      (iii) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Lang relating to Local Government (Scotland) not later than half-past Eleven o'clock; and
   (2) at the sitting on Monday 7th March, put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Anthony Nelson relating to Building Societies not later than one and a half hours after their commencement;
   and the said Motions may be proceeded with, though opposed, after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)
9 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then one minute past Three o'clock, till Monday 28th February.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Friday 25th February 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Police, —(1) Royal Ulster Constabulary (Discipline and Disciplinary Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 48), and

(2) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Part-time) (Discipline and Disciplinary Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 49),

dated 11th February 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].


3 Road Traffic, —(1) Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 328), and

(2) Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 329),

dated 24th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:

4 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Paper, entitled the Government's Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97: Departmental Report by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Intervention Board [by Command] [Cm. 2503] [Mrs Gillian Shepherd].

5 Financial Statement and Budget Report, 1994-95,—Paper, entitled Public Expenditure: Statistical Supplement to the Financial Statement and Budget Report 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 2519] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

6 Miscellaneous (No. 5, 1994),—Protocol, open for signature at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva, from 28th October 1993 to 31st January 1994, amending Article 1(a), Article 14(1) and Article 14(3)(b) of the European Agreement of 30th September 1957 concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR) as amended [by Command] [Cm. 2476] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 Transport,—Scottish Office Minute concerning a contingent liability consequent upon the proposed sale by Scottish Transport Group of St. Andrew Square Bus Station, Edinburgh to CIN Properties Limited [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

8 Treaty Series (No. 5, 1994),—Amendment, done at Vienna on 7th October 1993, to Article 26 of the Statute of the Council of Europe [by Command] [Cm. 2467] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 United States (No. 2, 1994),—Agreement, done at Washington on 24th June 1992, between the Three Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Federal Republic of Germany and the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Government of the United States of America regarding the Establishment, Construction and Operation of a Uranium Enrichment Installation in the United States [by Command] [Cm. 2456] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

10 United States (No. 3, 1994),—Treaty, done at London on 5th November 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America on Delimitation in the Caribbean of a Maritime Boundary Relating to the U.S. Virgin Islands and Anguilla [by Command] [Cm. 2470] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Contingencies Fund, 1992–93, — Ordered, That there be laid before this House Accounts of the Contingencies Fund, 1992–93, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended 31st March 1993; and (2) the Distribution of the Capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. — (Mr James Arbuthnot.)

2 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees, — Minutes of Evidence were reported from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Liaison, — Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee on 10th and 24th February be printed [No. 266].

6 Parliamentary Elections Bill, — Mr Jeff Rooker, supported by Mr Neil Kinnock, Mr Austin Mitchell, Dr Tony Wright, Glenda Jackson, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr John Garrett, Mr Frank Field, Mr Keith Hill, Mr Mike Watson, Mr Giles Radice and Mr Hugh Bayley, presented a Bill to repeal the Septennial Act 1715 and to introduce a fixed term for the House of Commons; to bring the age of nomination for election to the House of Commons into line with the age of voting by amending the Parliamentary Elections Act 1695; to improve electoral registration and absent voting procedures, to introduce weekend voting and increase the number of signatures for nomination of candidates by amending the Representation of the People Acts 1983 and 1985; to change expense limits for candidates; to introduce early voting; to set up an Electoral Commission to administer and monitor all elections in the United Kingdom and to allow that Commission to register political parties and set limits to the expenditure nationally of registered political parties in the period prior to the fixed term elections; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 61].

7 European Communities, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Republic of Bulgaria) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 7th February, be approved — (Mr Douglas Hogg);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [25th February]: — It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker then put the Questions on the other Motions to be decided at that hour.

European Communities, — Resolved, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Czech Republic) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 7th February, be approved. — (Mr Douglas Hogg.)

European Communities, — Resolved, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and the Slovak Republic) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 7th February, be approved. — (Mr Douglas Hogg.)

European Communities, — Resolved, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States and Romania) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 7th February, be approved. — (Mr Douglas Hogg.)

8 Representation of the People, — Resolved, That the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates’ Election Expenses) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved. — (Mr Peter Lloyd.)

9 Representation of the People, — Resolved, That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 17th February, be approved. — (Mr Peter Lloyd.)
10 Representation of the People,—Resolved, That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 17th February, be approved.—(Mr Peter Lloyd.)

11 Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Local Elections (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved.—(Mr Peter Lloyd.)

12 Local Government (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 1994, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved—(Mr Allan Stewart);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 305.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Spellar: 266.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 1994, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved.

13 Local Government (Scotland),—Resolved, That the Revenue Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1994, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

14 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Blackpool against a proposed local traffic plan was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

15 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.5 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 28th February 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Clean Air,—Ozone Monitoring and Information Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 440), dated 24th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

2 National Health Service,—(1) Central Middlesex Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 359),

(2) North West London Mental Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 358), and

(3) Parkside National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 360),
dated 21st February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

3 Rating and Valuation,—Non-Domestic Rating (Demand Notices) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 415), dated 25th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

4 Trade Descriptions,—Textile Products (Indications of Fibre Content) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 450), dated 25th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

5 Census,—(1) Postcode Sector Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—

(i) Kent and Sussex, and
(ii) Wales and the Borders;

(2) Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—

(i) Dorset, and
(ii) Hereford and Worcester; and
PRAYERS.

1 Death of a Member,—The Speaker made the following communication to the House:
   I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Ronald Leighton, Esquire, Member for Newham North East, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

4 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill,—Sir John Hunt reported from Standing Committee E, That it had gone through the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto.
   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 60].
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 267].

6 Parliamentary Commissioner Bill,—Ordered, That the Parliamentary Commissioner Bill be read a second time on Friday.

7 Elimination of Poverty in Retirement,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require local authorities and health authorities to monitor the condition of their retired population, to eliminate standing charges on gas, electricity and water, to exempt pensioners from licence charges and telephone rental, to extend pensioners' concessionary fare schemes, to make provision for the calculation of old age pensions by reference to average earnings and to appoint a Minister with responsibility for retired people: And that Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Don Dixon, Alice Mahon, Mr Llew Smith, Mr Alan Simpson, Mr Malcolm Chisholm,
Mildred Gordon, Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Tony Banks and Mr Bob Cryer do prepare and bring it in.

8 Elimination of Poverty in Retirement Bill.—Mr Jeremy Corbyn accordingly presented a Bill to require local authorities and health authorities to monitor the condition of their retired population, to eliminate standing charges on gas, electricity and water, to exempt pensioners from licence charges and telephone rental, to extend pensioners' concessionary fare schemes, to make provision for the calculation of old age pensions by reference to average earnings, and to appoint a Minister with responsibility for retired people: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 62].

9 Opposition day [5th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the leader of the second largest opposition party in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Overseas Aid Funds.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes with concern the high proportion of British aid that is tied to the purchase of British goods and services; notes the remarkable coincidence between defence-related contracts and the allocation of British aid; further notes that many of the companies who have benefitted from such deals are major donors to the Conservative Party; believes that allegations relating to the Pergau Dam affair have seriously undermined the credibility of the British aid programme; condemns the past conduct of Her Majesty's Government in relation to this matter; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to restore the public's confidence in British aid by setting a timetable for achieving the United Nations target of 0.7 per cent of gross national product, reducing the proportion of tied aid and increasing the proportion which is spent on the basic human needs of the poorest people—(Sir David Steel); An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'strongly supports the Government's substantial aid programme aimed at sustainable economic and social development, particularly in the poorest countries, which draws on the skills and excellence of British institutions, companies and non-governmental organisations, and creates significant jobs and wealth in the United Kingdom', instead thereof. (Mr Alastair Goodlad)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question; Mr Simon Hughes rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; And the Question being put, That the Question be now put: It was agreed to. And the Question being accordingly put: The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Simon Hughes: 159.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr James Arbuthnot: 305.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House strongly supports the Government's substantial aid programme aimed at sustainable economic and social development, particularly in the poorest countries, which draws on the skills and excellence of British institutions, companies and non-governmental organisations, and creates significant jobs and wealth in the United Kingdom.

Investment in Education,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, recognising the importance of high quality education provision to all, regrets that, as a result of the policies of Her Majesty's Government, there is growing chaos and division within the education service; is saddened that one of the many adverse consequences has been reduced morale and increased stress among those working in schools; deplores the growing backlog of repairs and maintenance of educational buildings, the increased drop-out rate of students in higher education and erosion of democratic accountability for education; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to increase investment in education by at least the equivalent of one penny of income tax, and to reconstruct the partnership of parents, teachers, governors, local education authorities and central government as an essential ingredient in achieving high quality education—(Mr Don Foster);
An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its far sighted education reforms which are driving up standards and giving more responsibility to schools, more choice to parents and more opportunities to young people; believes that the Government's commitment to a high quality education service is further demonstrated by the record sums it is spending; notes that the superficial policies advanced by the Liberal Democratic Party bear remarkable similarity to the policies advanced by Her Majesty's Opposition; further notes that those policies appear to revolve around reversing all the measures taken by Her Majesty's Government to raise standards and increase choice; notes the admission by the Liberal Democratic Party that it is a party committed to raising taxes, yet condemns its inability to demonstrate any clear linkage between a demand for more income tax and a well-developed and defined set of educational policies on which additional tax revenues are to be spent; and believes that the Liberal Democrats' commitment to education would be better shown by ceasing its practice of campaigning in an underhand fashion against ballots of parents for grant maintained status, which this House utterly deplores', instead thereof. —(Mr Eric Forth.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mrs Ray Michie: 30.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 282.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 276.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Archy Kirkwood: 121.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its far sighted education reforms which are driving up standards and giving more responsibility to schools, more choice to parents and more opportunities to young people; believes that the Government's commitment to a high quality education service is further demonstrated by the record sums it is spending; notes that the superficial policies advanced by the Liberal Democratic Party bear remarkable similarity to the policies advanced by Her Majesty's Opposition; further notes that those policies appear to revolve around reversing all the measures taken by Her Majesty's Government to raise standards and increase choice; notes the admission by the Liberal Democratic Party that it is a party committed to raising taxes, yet condemns its inability to demonstrate any clear linkage between a demand for more income tax and a well-developed and defined set of educational policies on which additional tax revenues are to be spent; and believes that the Liberal Democrats' commitment to education would be better shown by ceasing its practice of campaigning in an underhand fashion against ballots of parents for grant maintained status, which this House utterly deplores.

10 Local Government Finance.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, that the Special Grant Report (No. 10) (House of Commons Paper No. 218), which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved.—(Mr John Bowis);

The House proceeded to a division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 185.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Hugh Bayley, Mr Malcolm Chisholm: 52.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, that the Special Grant Report (No. 10) (House of Commons Paper No. 218), which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved.

11 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-four minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.36 a.m.]
APPENDIX I

Tuesday 1st March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Acquisition of Land,—(1) Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 468), and
(2) Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 469),
dated 28th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Michael Portillo].

2 Education (Scotland),—Self-Governing Schools (Application and Amendment of Regulations) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 351), dated 16th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Housing,—Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Prescribed Forms and Particulars) (Welsh Forms and Particulars) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 435), dated 17th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

4 Sea Fisheries,—(1) Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Control Measures) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 451), and
(2) Sea Fish (Marketing Standards) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 452),
dated 28th February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

Other Papers:

5 Appropriations in Aid,—Treasury Minute, dated 1st March 1994, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes specified in the revised Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

6 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Paper, entitled The Government’s Expenditure Plans 1994–95 to 1996–97 for the Home Office and the Charity Commission [by Command] [Cm. 2508] [Mr Secretary Howard].

7 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—
(1) the Industrial Injuries Scheme,
(2) Inland Revenue: selective examination of accounts, and
(3) looking after the financial affairs of people with mental incapacity
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 259, 260 and 258] [Clerk of the House].

8 Supply Estimates, 1993–94,—Revised Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1993–94 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 261] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 1st March; to be printed [No. 32-ix] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Statutory Instruments,—Tenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xi] [Mr Bob Cryer].

3 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 1st March; to be printed [No. 137-ii] [Mr Paul Channon].

4 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 1st March; to be printed [No. 27-v] [Mr John Watts].
Wednesday 2nd March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The British Railways (No. 4) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 Trade and Industry,—Mr Richard Caborn reported from the Trade and Industry Committee, That it had agreed to the following Special Report, which it had directed him to make to the House:

   1. As part of the duty imposed on it by the House to scrutinise the work of the Department of Trade and Industry the Committee decided to examine trade with southern Africa and the Government's role in promoting that trade. The inquiry cannot be carried out effectively by taking evidence solely within the United Kingdom. The Committee therefore sought funding for a visit to South Africa, which was subsequently approved by the Liaison Committee. However, due to the intervention of the Opposition, the Committee was not able to make the visit at the time intended.

   2. The Committee feels strongly that, having been entrusted by the House with the duty to scrutinise a government department, it should be permitted to carry out that duty without interference. Political disagreements elsewhere in the House related to the conduct of legislation should not be allowed to impede scrutiny of the executive by select committees.

   3. The Committee considers it important that the House should be informed of these matters so that it can decide what action to take.

   Report to lie upon the Table.

7 Severn Bridges Act 1992 (Amendment),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend sections 9 and 10 of the Severn Bridges Act 1992: And that Mr Roy Hughes, Mr Paul Murphy, Mr Win Griffiths, Jean Corston, Dr Roger Berry, Mrs Ann Clwyd, Mr Alan W. Williams and Mr Ray Powell do prepare and bring it in.

8 Severn Bridges Act 1992 (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Roy Hughes accordingly presented a Bill to amend sections 9 and 10 of the Severn Bridges Act 1992: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 11th March and to be printed [Bill 63].

9 Opposition day [6th allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

State of Manufacturing Industry,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House is of the opinion that there are industries, such as the steel industry, the car industry and the airframe industry, which cannot be allowed to fail if Britain is to remain an advanced economy; believes that the future of the sole remaining British-owned and British-controlled motor manufacturer, Rover, must continue to be a matter for Her Majesty's Government; observes that all these views which were expressed by the President of the Board of Trade prior to his appointment are at odds with the continuing redundancies in steel and aerospace and the acquisition of Rover by BMW since his appointment; notes that, under this Government, employment in manufacturing has fallen faster and that output of manufacturing has risen more slowly than in other major industrial countries; regrets that Britain has run a deficit in trade in manufactured goods in every one of the past twelve years and has run an unprecedented balance of payments deficit even in the years of recession; rejects the Government's policies of promoting a low wage, low skills workforce; and calls for an industrial strategy both in
Whitehall and in the regions to achieve competitiveness through a high-tech, high investment manufacturing base—(Mr Robin Cook);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'regrets that the Opposition persistently denigrates the achievements of United Kingdom companies; recognises the importance of manufacturing to this country's economy; congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in achieving the conditions for sustained non-inflationary growth—low interest rates, low inflation and good industrial relations; and welcomes the fact that both the OECD and European Commission are forecasting that the United Kingdom will be the fastest growing major economy in the EC in 1994 and 1995', instead thereof.—(Mr Secretary Heseltine.)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question;
Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put: It was agreed to.
And the Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 277.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 319.
So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 315.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 270.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.
Resolved, That this House regrets that the Opposition persistently denigrates the achievements of United Kingdom companies; recognises the importance of manufacturing to this country's economy; congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in achieving the conditions for sustained non-inflationary growth—low interest rates, low inflation and good industrial relations; and welcomes the fact that both the OECD and European Commission are forecasting that the United Kingdom will be the fastest growing major economy in the EC in 1994 and 1995.

10 Estimates.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That this House agrees with the Report [24th February] of the Liaison Committee—(Mr Andrew Mitchell): It was agreed to.

11 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);
And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.
[Adjourned at 11 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 2nd March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 National Health Service.—(1) Avalon, Somerset, National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 481),
(2) Barnsley District General Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 484),
(3) Luton and Dunstable Hospital Trust National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 486),
(4) Merton and Sutton Community National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 485),
(5) Mid-Staffordshire General Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 488),
(6) Royal Devon and Exeter Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 487), and
(7) South Bedfordshire Community Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 483),
dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 Sheriff Court (Scotland),—Act of Sederunt (Fees of Sheriff Officers) 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 392), dated 18th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

3 Census,—Ward and Civil Parish Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for West Sussex for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

4 Merchant Shipping,—Accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 226] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

5 National Health Service,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Health on 28th February 1994 on borrowing by Cornwall Healthcare National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Antarctic Bill, viz.: Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Bruce George, Mr David Heathcoat-Amory, Mr John Hutton, Mr Michael Jopling, Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Alice Mahon, Mr Gerald Malone, Ms Joyce Quin, Mr Rod Richards, Mr Ted Rowlands, Sir Donald Thompson, Mr Peter Thurnham, Mr James Wallace, Mr David Willetts and Mr Mark Wolfson.

2 Second Scottish Standing Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr George Foulkes, Mr Phil Gallie, Mr George Kynoch, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr John McFall, Mr John Maxton, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Bill Walker, Mr James Wallace and Mr Jimmy Wray.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 270-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Education,—(1) First Special Report from the Education Committee [Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Committee, Session 1992-93 (The Department for Education’s Expenditure Plans 1993-94 to 1995-96)]; and (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [Nos. 268 and 255-ii] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 63-xii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation,—Tenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-x] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 271-i] [Mr Peter Shore].

6 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 272-i] [Mrs Marion Roe].
Procedure.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Procedure on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 238-iii] [Sir Peter Emery].

Public Accounts.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 273-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

Scottish Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 230-iii] [Mr William McKelvey].

Social Security.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 125-iv] [Mr Frank Field].

Transport.—(1) First Report for the Transport Committee [The Provision of Search and Rescue Services], with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 95]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 239-iii]
[Mr Paul Channon].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 236-iv] [Mr John Watts].

Welsh Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 269-i] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 2nd March 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
(1) the Antarctic Bill to Standing Committee C; and
(2) the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] to the Second Scottish Standing Committee.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 4168/94, relating to intra-community trade in bovine animals and swine, and 11504/93, relating to weights and dimensions of vehicles, have been referred to European Standing Committee A.

[No. 60.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill.—The Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.
Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

2 Sheffield Assay Office Bill.—The Sheffield Assay Office Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

3 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 10th March.
4 University of London Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 10th March.

5 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday 14th March at Seven o'clock.

6 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

7 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

8 Select Committees.—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

9 Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill.—The Order for reading the Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25th March.

10 Disorderly conduct, —Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours, Member for Workington, having used a grossly disorderly expression, was ordered by the Speaker to withdraw the same, but he declined to comply with that direction.

Whereupon the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 42 (Disorderly conduct), ordered him to withdraw immediately for the remainder of this day's sitting.—And he withdrew accordingly.

11 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

12 Chiropractors Bill [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Chiropractors Bill [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session resulting from the Chiropractors Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenditure incurred by the Privy Council under the provisions of the Act relating to the default powers of the Privy Council.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

13 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, —Ordered, That Mr Anthony Coombs be discharged from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration and Mr Andrew Hargreaves be added to the Committee.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

14 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 pm]
(4) North Yorkshire Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 490),

(5) Royal Hull Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 493),

(6) South Yorkshire Metropolitan Ambulance and Paramedic Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 492), and

(7) Southampton University Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 491), dated 2nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


4 Social Security,—Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 470), dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

5 Sugar,—Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 407), dated 22nd February 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

6 Trade Marks,—Registered Trade Mark Agents (Mixed Partnerships and Bodies Corporate) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 363), dated 17th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

7 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—

   (1) Departmental Report by the Ministry of Defence: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2501] [Mr Secretary Rifkind];

   (2) Departmental Report of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Departments and Net Payments to European Community Institutions: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2517] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer]; and


8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [10th December 1993] from residents of Rutland Park Mansions for the appointment of a mediator in their affairs [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Social Security,—Report by the Social Security Advisory Committee and statement by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 470) [by Command] [Cm. 2483] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 3rd March; to be printed [No. 271-ii] [Mr Peter Shore].

2 National Heritage,—Third Report from the National Heritage Committee [Our Heritage: Preserving it, Prospering from it], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 139] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].
PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from residents of Staveley, Chesterfield, for action against dioxin pollution in the area was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

3 Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill, — The Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

   A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House — (Mr Peter Atkinson): — It was agreed to.

   Committee on Friday 11th March.

4 Women into Parliament Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women into Parliament Bill;

   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

   And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 11th March.

5 Abolition of Service Charges in Restaurants Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abolition of Service Charges in Restaurants Bill;

   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th June.

6 Professions Supplementary to Medicine (Amendment) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Professions Supplementary to Medicine (Amendment) Bill;

   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th May.

7 Registration of Small Children's Homes Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Small Children's Homes Bill;

   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 11th March.

8 British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill [Lords], — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill [Lords];

   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 11th March.

9 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;

   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 11th March.

10 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 11th March.

11 Protection of Dogs Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 4th February, That the Protection of Dogs Bill be now read a second time;

   Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 11th March.

12 Parliamentary Commissioner Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Commissioner Bill;

   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 11th March.

13 House of Commons Members' Fund, — Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 3 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1948 and of section 2 of the House of Commons Members' Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Act 1981, the
maximum annual amounts of the periodical payments which may be made out of the
House of Commons Members' Fund under the House of Commons Members' Fund Act
1939, as amended, and the annual rate of any payments made under section 1 of the said
Act of 1981 shall be varied as from 1st April 1994, as follows:

(a) for paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the said Act of 1939, as amended, there shall be
substituted the following paragraph:

'1. The annual amount of any periodical payment made to any person by virtue of
his past membership of the House of Commons shall not exceed £3,554 or such
sum as, in the opinion of the Trustees, will bring his income up to £6,561 per
annum, whichever is the less:

Provided that if, having regard to length of service and need, the Trustees think fit,
they may make a larger payment not exceeding £6,842 or such sum as, in their
opinion, will bring his income up to £9,849 per annum, whichever is the less':

(b) for paragraph 2 of that Schedule there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

'2. The annual amount of any periodical payment to any person by virtue of her
being a widow of a past Member of the House of Commons shall not exceed
£2,221 or such sum as, in the opinion of the Trustees, will bring her income up to
£5,228 per annum, whichever is the less:

Provided that if, having regard to her husband's length of service or to her need, the
Trustees think fit, they may make a larger payment not exceeding £4,277 or such
sum as, in the opinion of the Trustees, will bring her income up to £7,284 per
annum, whichever is the less':

(c) in paragraph 2A of that Schedule for the words 'the annual amount of any
periodical payment' to the end of the paragraph, there shall be substituted the words:

'the annual amount of any periodical payment made to any such widower shall not
exceed £2,221 or such sum as, in the opinion of the Trustees, will bring his income
up to £5,228 per annum, whichever is the less:

Provided that if, having regard to his wife's length of service or to his need, the
Trustees think fit, they may make a larger payment not exceeding £4,277 or such
sum as, in the opinion of the Trustees, will bring his income up to £7,284 per
annum, whichever is the less':

(d) in section 2(1) of the said Act of 1981, for the words from the beginning to the end
of the paragraph (b) there shall be substituted the words:

'the annual rate of any payments under section 1 shall be—

(a) £2,070 if the payments are made to a past Member; and

(b) £1,294 if the payments are made to the widow or widower of a past Member'.—
(Mr Alfred Morris.)

14 House of Commons Members' Fund. — Resolved, That the whole or any part of the sums
deducted or set aside in the current year from the salaries of Members of Parliament
under section 1 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1939, and the whole or
any part of the contribution determined by the Treasury for the current year under
section 1 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1957, as amended by the House
of Commons Members' Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Act 1981, be appropriated for
the purposes of section 4 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1948, as
amended by section 12 of the Parliamentary Pensions etc. Act 1984, and section 7 of the
Ministerial and other Pensions and Salaries Act 1991.—(Mr Alfred Morris.)

15 Business of the House. — Ordered, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 9th March,
notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the
Speaker shall—

(1) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of
Mr Secretary Howard relating to Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism not later than
three hours after their commencement; and

(2) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of
Mr Tony Newton relating to Select Committees related to government departments
and Northern Ireland Grand Committee, including the Questions on any amendments
thereto which she may have selected, not later than one and a half hours after the
commencement of proceedings on the first such Motion;

and the said proceedings may be entered upon or continued after the expiry of the time
for opposed business.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)
16 Sittings of the House,—Resolved, That—

(1) this House do meet on Thursday 31st March at half-past Nine o'clock;

(2) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 17 (Time for taking questions), no Questions shall be taken, provided that at Eleven o'clock the Speaker may interrupt the proceedings in order to permit questions to be asked which are in her opinion of an urgent character and relate either to matters of public importance or to the arrangement of business, statements to be made by Ministers, or personal explanations to be made by Members; and

(3) at Three o'clock the Speaker do adjourn the House without putting any Question, provided that this House shall not adjourn until the Speaker shall have reported the Royal Assent to any Acts agreed upon by both Houses.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

17 Business of the House,—Ordered, That for the remainder of this Session the Order [24th November] shall have effect as if paragraph (4) were as follows:

"Private Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government business on 18th March, 29th April, 17th and 24th June and 1st, 8th and 22nd July, and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on 2nd March, 13th April, 18th and 25th May, 15th and 22nd June and 6th July”.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

18 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew MacKay);

And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fourteen minutes past Three o'clock, till Monday 7th March.

[Adjourned at 3.14 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Friday 4th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Ro-Ro Passenger Ship Survivability) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 422), dated 25th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


Other Papers:

3 Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions,—(1) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Disability Awards) Order 1994, and


4 Treaty Series (No. 6, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Dakar on 3rd September 1993 and Bamako on 20th September 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mali concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Mali Debt Agreement No. 3 (1992)) [by Command] [Cm. 2473] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

5 Treaty Series (No. 7, 1994),—Agreement, done at Manama on 24th June 1990, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the State of Bahrain concerning mutual assistance in relation to drug trafficking [by Command] [Cm. 2474] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Treaty Series (No. 8, 1994),—Agreement, done at London on 24th November 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cm. 2475] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 Treaty Series (No. 9, 1994),—Agreement, done at London on 4th December 1991, on the conservation of bats in Europe [by Command] [Cm. 2472] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

   Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision with respect to local government in Wales; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

   Dangerous Dogs (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the law relating to dangerous dogs; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords],—The Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 68].

5 Building Societies,—Resolved, That the draft Building Societies (EFTA States) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th January, be approved. — (Mr Anthony Nelson.)

6 Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 15th February, be approved. — (Sir John Wheeler.)

7 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Michael Brown);

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   And the Question being put;

   Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

   And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12 midnight.

APPENDIX I

Monday 7th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—(1) Draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994,
   (2) draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 1994,
   (3) draft Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Prescribed Proceedings) Regulations 1994, and
   (4) draft Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 1994
   [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education,—Education (Particulars of Independent Schools) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 537), dated 27th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

3 Electricity,—Electricity Supply (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 533), dated 28th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

5 Insurance,—Employers' Liability (Compulsory Insurance) Exemption (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 520), dated 2nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

6 National Health Service,—(1) National Health Service Act 1977 (Composition of Medical Practices Committee) Modification Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 545), and
   (2) National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 530),
dated 4th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

7 Rates,—Rates (Regional Rate) Order (Northern Ireland) 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 56), dated 21st February 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Other Papers:

8 Census,—Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—
   (1) Somerset
   (2) Staffordshire, and
   (3) West Yorkshire
   for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

9 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—
   (1) Department of Health and Office of Population Censuses and Surveys: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1994–95 to 1996–97 [by Command] [Cm. 2512] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley]; and
   (2) Department of National Heritage Annual Report 1994: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1994–95 to 1996–97 [by Command] [Cm. 2511] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 7th March; to be printed [No. 279-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 63.]

Tuesday 8th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 British Waterways Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Committee on the British Waterways Bill [Lords] have leave, for the purpose of its consideration of the powers sought by the British Waterways Board in the Bill, to visit and inspect sites on the Grand Union Canal, provided that no evidence shall be taken in the course of such visit and that any party who has made an appearance before the Committee be permitted to attend by his Counsel, Agent or representative.—(The Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

2 British Railways Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 8 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to British Railways: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday 16th March and to be printed [Bill 64].

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Coal Industry Bill,—Mr Edward O'Hara reported from Standing Committee D, That it had gone through the Coal Industry Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 70].
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 283].
6 Energy Conservation (Lighting).—Ordered. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to promote more efficient lighting and the consequent beneficial effects on the environment: And that Mr Keith Mans, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Henry Bellingham, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Peter Ainsworth, Mr Roy Thomason, Mr John Sykes, Mr Michael Bates and Mr Harold Elletson do prepare and bring it in.

7 Energy Conservation (Lighting) Bill.—Mr Keith Mans accordingly presented a Bill to promote more efficient lighting and the consequent beneficial effects on the environment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 69].

8 Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Power to provide for the transition to the new test of incapacity for work)—(Mr Alistair Burt)—brought up, read the first and second time and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Report to Parliament: medical test)—(Mr Keith Bradley)—brought up and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Dennis Turner: 268.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 299.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 9) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 23) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 44, at the end to insert the words 'but any such regulations shall take into account that it is in the public interest for disabled persons to make available their special knowledge through voluntary work and through appointment to relevant bodies and committees'. (Mr Adam Ingram.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 10 to 16) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 27) proposed to the Bill, in page 16, line 7, at the end to insert the words—

'(2A) Where a person is entitled to a disability premium by virtue only of satisfying the test of incapacity for work—

(a) those so entitled on the day of commencement shall be entitled to a transitional award of income support, housing benefit or council tax benefit, as appropriate on the same basis as awards of incapacity benefit under section 4 of this Act;

(b) after commencement, he shall be entitled to such a premium from the date of claim, provided that he can produce medical evidence of incapacity for work during the previous 364 days'. (Mr Keith Bradley.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Nicholas Scott, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 302.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Eric Illsley: 276.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

9 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures).—Resolved, That the Pastoral (Amendment) Measure, passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, be presented to Her Majesty for her Royal Assent in the form in which the said Measure was laid before Parliament.—(Mr Michael Alison.)

10 Employment.—A Motion was made, That Mr Andrew Robathan be discharged from the Employment Committee and Mr David Nicholson be added to the Committee—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection);
The Motion was opposed.

11 Agriculture.—A Motion was made, That Mr Martyn Jones be discharged from the Agriculture Committee and Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours be added to the Committee—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection);
The Motion was opposed.

12 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.19 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Tuesday 8th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Charities,—Draft Charities (The Royal Philanthropic Society) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

2 Civil Aviation,—Civil Aviation (Navigation Services Charges) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 505), dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

3 Education,—Education (London Residuary Body) (Transfer of Property etc.) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 580), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

4 Medicines,—Medicines (Products Other Than Veterinary Drugs) (Prescription Only) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 558), dated 7th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 502), dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

6 National Health Service,—(1) Microbiological Research Authority (Establishment and Constitution) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 603),

(2) Microbiological Research Authority Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 602), and

(3) National Blood Authority (Establishment and Constitution) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 589),
dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

7 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors,—National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for England (Constitution and Administration) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 586), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Telegraphs,—Wireless Telegraphy (Television Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 595), dated 4th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].


(2) Railways (Alternative Closure Procedure) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 607), dated 8th March 1994,

(3) Railways (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 608), dated 8th March 1994,

(4) Railways (Class and Miscellaneous Exemptions) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 606), dated 8th March 1994,

(5) Railways (Heathrow Express) (Exemptions) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 574), dated 7th March 1994,

(6) Railways (Licence Application) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 572), dated 7th March 1994,


(8) Railways (Penalty Fares) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 576), dated 7th March 1994, and
8th—9th March 1994

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 8th March; to be printed (No. 233-ii) [Mr Greville Janner] and (No. 281-i) [Mr Ernie Ross].

2 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 8th March; to be printed (No. 271-iii) [Mr Peter Shore].

3 Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 7th March; to be printed (No. 230-iv) [Mr William McKelvey].

4 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 7th March; to be printed (Nos. 282-i and -ii) [Mr Frank Field].

5 Statutory Instruments,—Eleventh Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed (No. 19-xii) [Mr Bob Cryer].

6 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 8th March; to be printed (No. 27-vi) [Mr John Watts].

[No. 64.]

Wednesday 9th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 British Railways (No. 2) Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to British Railways (No. 2): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered on Tuesday 15th March and to be printed [Bill 65].

2 British Railways (No. 3) Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to British Railways (No. 3): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered on Tuesday 15th March and to be printed [Bill 66].

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
6 Tobacco Advertising Bill. — Dr John G. Blackburn reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Tobacco Advertising Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 13th May; and to be printed [Bill 67].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 286].

7 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords]. — Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Second Scottish Standing Committee, That it had gone through the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 20th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 284].

8 Eggs from Foetuses (Prohibition of Use) Bill. — The Order for reading the Eggs from Foetuses (Prohibition of Use) Bill a second time on Friday 11th March was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

9 Decorations for Gallantry (Display). — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the public display or exhibition of decorations for gallantry; and for connected purposes — (Mr Nick Hawkins);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement for the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business): — It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr Nick Hawkins, Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes, Sir Archibald Hamilton, Sir Anthony Grant, Mr Cyril D. Townsend, Mr Matthew Banks, Mr Michael Stephen, Mr Andrew Robathan, Mr Michael Mates, Mr Michael Colvin and Sir Edward Heath do prepare and bring it in.

10 Decorations for Gallantry (Display) Bill. — Mr Nick Hawkins accordingly presented a Bill to regulate the public display or exhibition of decorations for gallantry; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th June and to be printed [Bill 71].

11 Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 (Continuance) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th February, be approved — (Mr Secretary Howard);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Michael Brown: 328.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Cummings: 242.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 (Continuance) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th February, be approved.

12 Select Committees related to Government Departments. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Standing Order No. 130 (Select Committees related to government departments) be amended, by leaving out lines 5 to 8, and, in the Table after the entry relating to National Heritage, by inserting the words—

‘9A Northern Ireland Affairs Northern Ireland Office; administration and expenditure of the Crown Solicitor’s Office (but excluding individual cases and advice given by the Crown Solicitor); and other matters within the responsibilities of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland (but excluding the expenditure, administration and policy of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, Northern Ireland and the drafting of legislation by the Office of the Legislative Counsel).

— (Mr Tony Newton);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 9, to leave out the words ‘expenditure, administration and policy of’ and insert the words ‘handling of individual cases and legal advice given within Government by’. — (Mr Kevin McNamara.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

And it being one and a half hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [4th March].
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Dennis Turner: 240.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 298.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 324.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Dennis Turner: 221.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Standing Order No. 130 (Select Committees related to government departments) be amended, by leaving out lines 5 to 8, and, in the Table, after the entry relating to National Heritage, by inserting the words—

9A Northern Ireland Office; administration and expenditure of the Crown Solicitor's Office (but excluding individual cases and advice given by the Crown Solicitor); and other matters within the responsibilities of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland (but excluding the expenditure, administration and policy of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, Northern Ireland and the drafting of legislation by the Office of the Legislative Counsel)

The Deputy Speaker then put the Question on the other Motion requiring to be decided at that hour.

Northern Ireland Grand Committee,—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 99 (Northern Ireland Grand Committee) be amended, in line 2 and in line 15, in each case after the word 'Ireland' by inserting the word 'Grand'.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

13 Standing Orders (Public Business),—Ordered. That Standing Orders Nos. 99 (Northern Ireland Grand Committee) and 130 (Select committees related to government departments), as amended on 9th March 1994, be printed [No. 274].

14 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of North East England for propagating Judaeo-Christian traditions in primary schools was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

15 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes to Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.36 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 9th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Building Societies,—Building Societies (General Charge and Fees) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 656), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

2 Community Charges,—Community Charges (Administration and Enforcement) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 504), dated 24th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 Council Tax,—Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 505), dated 24th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


5 Friendly Societies,—Friendly Societies (General Charge and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 657), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

6 Health and Personal Social Services,—Health and Social Services Trusts (Consequential Amendments No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 66), dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

7 Industrial Tribunals,—(1) Industrial Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 536), and
(2) Industrial Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 538), dated 3rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

(9) Thanet Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 619), dated 8th March 1994, and
(10) West Lindsey National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 621), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

9 Road Traffic,—(1) Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 638),
(2) Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Large Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 639), and
(3) Motor Vehicles (EC Type Approval) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 617),
dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

10 Social Security,—Social Fund Maternity and Funeral Expenses (General) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 506), dated 2nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

11 Agricultural Marketing,—Report on agricultural marketing schemes for 1991-92 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

12 Census,—Postcode Sectors Monitors of the General Register Office Scotland for—
(1) Highland Region, and
(2) Strathclyde Region
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

13 Criminal Injuries Compensation,—Report and Accounts of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Command] [Cm. 2421] [Mr Secretary Howard].

14 Environmental Protection,—(1) Local Authority Air Pollution Control Fees and Charges (Scotland) Scheme 1994, dated 2nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang]; and
(2) Local Enforcing Authorities Air Pollution Fees and Charges Scheme 1994, dated 3rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gunner].

15 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—
(1) Cabinet Office, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster’s Departments, Privy Council Office and Parliament: The Government’s Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2518] [Mr William Waldegrave and Mr Michael Portillo]; and
(2) Department of Trade and Industry Annual Report 1994: The Government’s Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2504] [Mr Secretary Heseltine]; and
(3) Foreign and Commonwealth Office including Overseas Development Administration: The Government’s Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2502] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
16 Industrial and Provident Societies.—(1) Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 660), and
(2) Industrial and Provident Societies (Credit Unions) (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 658),
dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

17 Miscellaneous Series (No. 6, 1994),—Agreement, done at Bonn on 18th March 1993, to amend the Agreement of 3rd August 1959, as amended by the Agreements of 21st October 1971 and 18th May 1981, to supplement the Agreement between parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the status of their forces with respect to foreign forces stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany [by Command] [Cm. 2479] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

18 Public Petitions,—Observations from the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [14th June, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of Hillingdon for an inquiry into the nuisance caused by Hillingdon Hospital incinerator [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

19 Treaty Series (No. 10, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Canberra on 13th September 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia concerning an amendment to the Air Services Agreement signed at London on 7th February 1958 [by Command] [Cm. 2478] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

20 Treaty Series (No. 11, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Dakar on 26th October 1993 and Conakry on 3rd November 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Guinea concerning certain commercial debts (the United Kingdom/Guinea Debt Agreement No. 4 (1992)) [by Command] [Cm. 2482] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection
1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Chiropractors Bill, viz.: Mr David Atkinson, Mr John Austin-Walker, Mr David Congdon, Mr Harold Eletson, Mr David Lidington, Ms Liz Lynne, Alice Mahon, Lady Olga Maitland, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr David Nicholson, Dawn Primarolo, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Alan Simpson, Mr David Tredinnick and Audrey Wise.

2 Northern Ireland Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Northern Ireland Committee, Mr Bernard Jenkin and had appointed in substitution Mr Tim Smith.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees
1 Agriculture,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 9th March; and
(2) Memoranda laid before the Agriculture Committee;
to be printed [Nos. 67-viii and -ix] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 9th March; to be printed [No. 63-xiii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 European Legislation,—Eleventh Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xi] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 9th March; to be printed [No. 42-vii] [Mr James Pawsey].

5 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Procedure on 9th March; to be printed [No. 238-iv] [Sir Peter Emery].

6 Public Accounts,—(1) Fifteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [University Purchasing in England]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 124];
(2) Sixteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The British Council Account, 1992-93]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 109]; and
(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 9th March; to be printed [No. 287-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

7 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 9th March; to be printed [No. 125-v] [Mr Frank Field].

8 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 9th March; to be printed [No. 285-i] [Mr Richard Caborn].

9 Transport,—(1) Second Report from the Transport Committee [Privatisation and Deregulation of Department of Transport Agency Work]; and
(2) Third Report from the Transport Committee [The Future of Air Services between the United Kingdom and the United States of America], with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee;
to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 137 and 47] [Mr Paul Channon].

10 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 9th March; to be printed [No. 236-v] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 9th March 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the Antarctic Bill to Standing Committee D (transferred from Standing Committee C).

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
(1) Mr James Hill Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill;
(2) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 7909/92, relating to the Court of Auditors' Special Report No. 3/92 concerning the environment; and
(3) Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 4911/92 and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 4th February 1994, relating to common rules for the internal market in electricity and gas.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No, 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 4311/94, relating to the Court of Auditors' Special Report No. 8/93 on raw tobacco, has been referred to European Standing Committee A.

Thursday 10th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 17th March.

2 University of London Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 17th March.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
5 Severn Bridges Act 1992 (Amendment) Bill.—Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Severn Bridges Act 1992 (Amendment) Bill with respect to the applicability thereto of the Standing Orders relating to Private Business.

6 Opposition day [7th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

   Sex Discrimination.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, in the week of International Women’s Day, notes that women in Britain face discrimination in all aspects of their lives; deplores the Government’s failure fully to implement European equality legislation or the recommendations of the Equal Opportunities Commission; and calls on the Government to introduce legislation to simplify, strengthen and extend the Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay Acts—(Clare Short);

   An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘notes, in the week of International Women’s Day, that women in Britain now enjoy exceptionally wide and increasing opportunities underpinned by comprehensive and effective legislation; and calls on the Government to continue to pursue the policies which have made this possible’, instead thereof.—(Mr Secretary Hunt.)

   And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question; Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.

   And the Question being accordingly put; The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 257.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 303.

   So the Question was negatived.

7 Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty’s recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill [Money];

   Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of such money under any other Act.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

8 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

   And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes past Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.7 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 10th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—Feeding Stuffs (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 499), dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].


   (2) Council Tax (Discount Disregards) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 543), and
(3) Council Tax (Exempt Dwellings) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 539),
dated 2nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 Education, — (1) Education (Governors of New Grant-maintained Schools) Regulations 1994
(S.I., 1994, No. 654), dated 8th March 1994,
(2) Education (Grants for Education Support and Training) Regulations 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 612), dated 6th March 1994,
(3) Education (Middle Schools) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 581),
dated 5th March 1994, and
(4) Education (Payment for Special Educational Needs Supplies) Regulations 1994
(S.I., 1994, No. 650), dated 9th March 1994
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

4 Education (Scotland), — Self-Governing Schools Grant and Recovery (Scotland) Regulations
1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 431), dated 23rd February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 Environmental Protection, — Environmental Protection (Waste Recycling Payments)
(Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 522), dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr
Secretary Gummer].

6 Health and Safety, — (1) Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994,
No. 670), and
(2) Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (Classification, Packaging and
Labelling) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 669),
dated 9th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

7 Housing, — (1) Castle Vale Housing Action Trust (Transfer of Property) Order 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 566), dated 7th March 1994, and
(2) Tower Hamlets Housing Action Trust (Transfer of Property) Order 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 695), dated 10th March 1994
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

9 Local Government, — (1) Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Exemption)
(England) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 569), and
(2) Local Government (Direct Labour Organisations) (Competition) (Exemption)
dated 7th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

10 Medicines, — Medicines (Veterinary Drugs) (Pharmacy and Merchants' List) (Amendment)

11 National Health Service, — (1) Bedford and Shires Health and Care National Health Service
Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 663), dated 8th March
1994,
(2) Bedford Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994
(S.I., 1994, No. 662), dated 8th March 1994,
(3) Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Ambulance and Paramedic Service National
Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 661), dated
8th March 1994,
(4) Eastbourne and County Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of
Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 660), dated 8th March 1994,
(5) Hampshire Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust
Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 664), dated 8th March 1994,
(6) Kent and Canterbury Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust
Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 665), dated 8th March 1994,
(7) Mount Vernon Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust
Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 679), dated 10th March 1994,
(8) National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment
Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 690), dated 10th March 1994,
681), dated 10th March 1994,
683), dated 10th March 1994,
680), dated 10th March 1994,
(12) National Health Service (Regional and District Health Authorities) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 682), dated 10th March 1994, and

(13) National Health Service (Regional Health Authorities) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 684), dated 10th March 1994
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

12 National Health Service (Scotland),—(1) National Health Service (Dental Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 636), and

(2) National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 635), dated 4th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

13 Police,—(1) Police Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 641), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard];

(2) Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 71), dated 7th February 1994 [by Statutory Instrument] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew];

(3) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Full-Time) (Appointment and Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 72), dated 7th February 1994 [by Statutory Instrument] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew]; and


14 Rating and Valuation,—Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 547), dated 7th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

15 Road Traffic,—(1) Motor Cars (Driving Instruction) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 554), dated 4th March 1994, and

(2) Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Boroughs of Bromley Hammersmith and Fulham and Lewisham) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 689), dated 10th March 1994
[by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


(2) Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Subsidy) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 523), dated 3rd March 1994,

(3) Housing Benefit (Permitted Totals) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 579), dated 7th March 1994, and

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

18 Telegraphs,—Wireless Telegraphy (Licence Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 659), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

19 Trade Unions,—Certification Officer (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 546), dated 3rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

20 Value Added Tax,—(1) Value Added Tax (Sport, Physical Education and Fund-Raising Events) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 687), dated 10th March 1994, and

[by Act] [Sir John Cope].

Other Papers:

21 Atomic Energy Authority,—Department of Trade and Industry Minutes concerning contingent liabilities consequent on—

(1) certain additional early retirement costs incurred by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority, dated 9th March 1994, and

(2) the reduction in funding of fast reactor programmes undertaken by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority, dated 8th March 1994
[by Command] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
22 Environmental Protection, — Report of the Joint Nature Conservation Committee for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

23 Financial Reporting to Parliament, — Papers, entitled—

   (1) The Department of Transport, the Office of Passenger Rail Franchising and the Office of the Rail Regulator: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2506] [Mr Secretary MacGregor];

   (2) Employment Department Group Departmental Report: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2505] [Mr Secretary Hunt]; and

   (3) The Welsh Office and the Office of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Schools in Wales: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97 [by Command] [Cm. 2515] [Mr Secretary Redwood].


25 Isle of Man, — Account of Her Majesty's Commissioners of Customs and Excise with the Government of the Isle of Man, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Sir John Cope].

26 National Audit, — Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on Auditing Clinical Care in Scotland [by Act]; to be printed [No. 275] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 10th March; to be printed [No 288-i] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 National Heritage, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 10th March; to be printed [No. 289-i] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

MEMORANDUM
Thursday 10th March 1994

Chairmen’s Panel, — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 4 (Chairmen’s Panel), the Speaker nominated Mr Roland Boyes and Mr John Maxton to be members of the Chairmen’s Panel during this Session in place of Mr Joe Benton and Mr Martyn Jones.

[No. 66.]

Friday 11th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2 Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill, — The Order for resuming on Friday 25th March the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 11th February, That the Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill be now read a second time was read and discharged.

   Debate to be resumed on Friday 15th April.

3 Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from the Council and citizens of Edinburgh in favour of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

4 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill.

   And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

   Mr Alfred Morris rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;

   And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:— It was agreed to.

   And the Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Alfred Morris: 231.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Paul Flynn: 0.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

5 Racial Hatred and Violence Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Racial Hatred and Violence Bill.
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 6th May.

6 Regulation of Political Funding Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Regulation of Political Funding Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th April.

7 New Towns (Amendment) Bill [Lords], — The New Towns (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr John Cummings):—It was agreed to.
Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)
Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Andrew Mitchell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.
The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

8 Referendum (Scotland) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Referendum (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 29th April.

9 Marriage (Amendment) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th April.

10 Mental Health (Amendment) Bill [Lords], — The Mental Health (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Harry Cohen):—It was agreed to.
Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)
Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Andrew Mitchell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.
The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

11 Severn Bridges Act 1992 (Amendment) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th May.

12 Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill, — The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill.
Clause No. 1 (Prohibition or restriction on roads in connection with certain events).
Amendments (Nos. 1 and 3) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 2 and 3 agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Andrew Mitchell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

13 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 22nd April.

14 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 18th March.

15 Parliamentary Commissioner Bill.—The Parliamentary Commissioner Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Gerald Malone):—It was agreed to.
Committee on Friday 15th April.

16 Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 16th March—
(1) the Speaker shall not later than Seven o'clock put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Ways and Means Motions and, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Motions in the names of Mr Secretary Brooke relating to Ecclesiastical Law, Mr Secretary Heseltine relating to Atomic Energy and Radioactive Substances, Mr Secretary Lang and Mr Secretary Gummer relating to Rating and Valuation and Mr Secretary Lang relating to Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland); and
(2) the Speaker shall put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Tony Newton relating to Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] not later than Ten o'clock, if the proceedings commence before Ten o'clock, or forthwith, if the proceedings commence at or after Ten o'clock;
and the above proceedings may be entered upon or continued, though opposed, after Ten o'clock.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

17 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);
And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then nine minutes past Three o'clock, till Monday 14th March.
[Adjourned at 3.9 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Friday 11th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:
11th March 1994

3 British Nationality, — British Citizenship (Designated Service) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 556), dated 5th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 Council Tax (Scotland), — (1) Council Tax (Discounts) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 626),
      (2) Council Tax (Discounts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 629), and
      (3) Council Tax (Exempt Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 628),
      dated 4th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


6 Dangerous Drugs, — Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 535), dated 3rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].


8 Education, — (1) Education (Grant-maintained Special Schools) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 653), dated 10th March 1994,
      (2) Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 692), dated 10th March 1994,
      (3) Education (School Curriculum and Assessment Authority) (Transfer of Functions) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 645), dated 10th March 1994,
      (4) Education (Special Education Needs) (Approval of Independent Schools) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 651), dated 9th March 1994, and
      [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

9 Education (Scotland), — Self-Governing Schools (Change in Characteristics) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 478), dated 24th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


11 Housing, — (1) Home Purchase Assistance (Commutation of Repayments) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 548), dated 28th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer];
      (2) Housing (Right to Manage) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 627), dated 7th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer];
      (3) Registered Housing Associations (Accounting Requirements) (Wales) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 668), dated 9th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood];
      (4) Rent Officers (Additional Functions) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 568), dated 6th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer]; and
      (5) Secure Tenants of Local Authorities (Compensation for Improvements) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 613), dated 5th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

12 Housing (Scotland), — (1) Rent Officers (Additional Functions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 582), dated 3rd March 1994, and
      [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

      (3) Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 615), dated 7th March 1994
      [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].
14 Local Government (Scotland),—Local Authorities Etc. (Allowances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 630), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

15 Medicines,—(1) Medicines (Homoeopathic Medicinal Products for Human Use) Regulations 1993 (S.I., 1994, No. 698), dated 16th December 1993,
   (2) Medicines (Homoeopathic Medicinal Products for Human Use) (Revocation) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 699), dated 10th March 1994, and

16 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 541), dated 4th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

17 National Health Service,—National Health Service Functions (Directions to Authorities and Administration Arrangements) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 590), dated 11th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

18 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 697), dated 10th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

19 Pensions, —Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 531), dated 2nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


21 Scottish Land Court,—Scottish Land Court (Fees) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 498), dated 1st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


Other Papers:

23 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—
   (1) Department of Education and Office for Standards in Education Departmental Report: The Government’s Expenditure Plans 1994–95 to 1996–97 [by Command] [Cm. 2510] [Mr Secretary Patten];
   (2) Departments of the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Forestry Commission: The Government’s Expenditure Plans 1994–95 to 1996–97 [by Command] [Cm. 2514] [Mr Secretary Lang]; and
   (3) Northern Ireland Expenditure Plans and Priorities: The Government’s Expenditure Plans 1994–95 to 1996–97 [by Command] [Cm. 2516] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

24 Miscellaneous (No. 7, 1994),—Agreement, done at Bonn on 18th March 1993, to implement paragraph 1 of Article 45 of the Agreement of 3rd August 1959, as amended by the Agreements of 21st October 1971, 18th May 1981 and 18th March 1993, to supplement the Agreement between the parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the status of their forces with respect to foreign forces stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany [by Command] [Cm. 2484] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Trade Marks Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make new provision for registered trade marks, implementing Council Directive No. 89/104/EEC of 21st December 1988 to approximate the laws of the Member States relating to trade marks; to make provision in connection with Council Regulation (EC) No. 40/94 of 20th December 1993 on the Community trade mark; to give effect to the Madrid Protocol Relating to the International Registration of Marks of 27th June 1989, and to certain provisions of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property of 20th March 1883, as revised and amended; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Trade Marks Bill [Lords],—The Trade Marks Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 73].

5 Estimates [2nd allotted day, 1st Part],—The House proceeded, pursuant to Resolution [2nd March], to consider the Estimates appointed for consideration under Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

Supplementary Estimates, 1993-94 (Class VII, Vote 1),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £213,686,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Department of the Environment on subsidies, improvements and investments, payments to the Housing Corporation, payments to commute loan charges on grants to local authorities including the urban programme and urban development grant, and other sundry services—(Sir George Young);

The Debate was concluded, and the Question necessary to dispose of the proceedings was deferred, pursuant to paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

6 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords],—The London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

7 Estimates [2nd allotted day, 1st Part],—It being Ten o'clock, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to paragraph (5) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates) put the deferred Question on Supplementary Estimates, 1993–94 (Class VII, Vote 1).

Class VII, Vote 1

Question put, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £213,686,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Department of the Environment on subsidies, improvements and investments, payments to the Housing Corporation, payments to commute loan charges on grants to local authorities including the urban programme and urban development grant, and other sundry services;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 170.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 33.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £213,686,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1994 for expenditure by the Department of the Environment on subsidies, improvements and investments, payments to the Housing Corporation, payments to commute loan charges on grants to
local authorities including the urban programme and urban development grant, and other sundry services.

8 Estimates.—The Deputy Speaker then put forthwith the Questions which the Speaker was directed to put pursuant to paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 53 (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.).

Estimates, 1994–95 (Navy) Vote A

Resolved, That during the year ending on 31st March 1995 a number not exceeding 59,550 all ranks be maintained for Naval Service.

Estimates, 1994–95 (Army) Vote A

Resolved, That during the year ending on 31st March 1995 a number not exceeding 157,155 all ranks be maintained for Army Service, a number not exceeding 125,000 for the Individual Reserves, and a number not exceeding 66,500 for the Territorial Army.

Estimates, 1994–95 (Air) Vote A

Resolved, That during the year ending on 31st March 1995 a number not exceeding 78,450 all ranks be maintained for the Air Force Service, a number not exceeding 19,250 for the Royal Air Force Reserve, and a number not exceeding 2,500 for the Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

Estimates, Excesses, 1992–93

Question put, That a sum not exceeding £355,824,479.56 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to make good excesses of certain grants for Defence and Civil Services for the year ended on 31st March 1993, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 198.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 162.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Jeremy Corbyn: 33.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £355,824,479.56 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to make good excesses of certain grants for Defence and Civil Services for the year ended on 31st March 1993, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 198.

Supplementary Estimates, 1993–94

Question put, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £2,148,689,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1994, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 199, 200 and 261.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Derek Conway: 160.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Jeremy Corbyn: 23.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £2,148,689,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1994, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 199, 200 and 261.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the three foregoing Resolutions relating to Supplementary Estimates, 1993–94, Estimates, Excesses, 1992–93 and Supplementary Estimates, 1993–94: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Michael Portillo, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Sir John Cope and Mr Anthony Nelson do prepare and bring in.

9 Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Stephen Dorrell accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1993 and 1994: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 59].
10 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eleven minutes past Eleven o'clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 11.11 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Monday 14th March 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Rating and Valuation,—Draft Railways (Rateable Values) (Amendment) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education,—(1) Education (Grant-maintained Schools) (Finance) (Wales) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 610), dated 14th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood]; and

(2) Education (Registered Inspectors of Schools Appeal Tribunal) (Procedure) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 717), dated 10th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

3 Housing,—(1) Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Prescribed Forms and Particulars) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 565), dated 5th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer];

(2) Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Prescribed Forms and Particulars) (Welsh Forms and Particulars) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 693), dated 10th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood]; and

(3) Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Reduction of Grant) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 648), dated 7th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


5 Social Security,—(1) Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 559), and

(2) Social Security (Contributions) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 563), dated 7th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

6 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Statutory Maternity Pay (Compensation of Employers) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 592), dated 8th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

7 Census,—(1) Parliamentary Constituency Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the North of England,

(2) Postcode Sector Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for South Midlands and Chiltern, and

(3) Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—

(i) Durham, and

(ii) Leicestershire

for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


9 New Towns (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 7th March 1994 on borrowing by—

(1) Cumbernauld Development Corporation,

(2) East Kilbride Development Corporation,

(3) Glenrothes Development Corporation,

(4) Irvine Development Corporation, and
10 Provisional Orders (Scotland).—Report by the Chairman of Committees in the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, That they have taken into consideration the Provisional Order for which a Petition, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act and the General Orders thereunder, was presented to one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State on or before 27th November 1993, namely the Borders Regional Council (Jim Clark Memorial Rally) Order and are of the opinion that the Order should be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make with respect to the said Order [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 14th March; to be printed [No. 292-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

MEMORANDUM
Monday 14th March 1994

Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the Chiropractors Bill to Standing Committee B (transferred from Standing Committee C).

Tuesday 15th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 British Railways (No. 2) Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Railways (No. 2) Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

2 British Railways (No. 3) Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Railways (No. 3) Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill,—Mr Patrick Cormack reported from Standing Committee B, That it had gone through the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill (Except new Clauses of which notice was given not later than 9th February relating to capital punishment and the age of consent for sexual acts between men in Great Britain), and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title, as follows:

A Bill to make further provision with respect to the treatment, and certain services connected with the treatment, of offenders; to amend the law relating to bail and the detention of arrested persons; to amend the law relating to the proceedings of criminal courts, including the law relating to evidence and the law relating to juries, and the law relating to the taxation of expenses and to the collection of fines; to amend the law relating to the publication of reports or pictures relating to proceedings in which children or young persons are concerned; to penalise intimidatory or harmful conduct towards witnesses, jurors and others; to make provision for circuit judges to sit in the criminal division of the Court of Appeal; to confer new powers on the police to take samples from or search persons and to make further provision in relation to samples and fingerprints; to create new offences and make further provision in relation to persons unlawfully or without authorisation on land or causing a public nuisance by noise on land or otherwise affecting public order, including offences and further provision in relation to the recovery of possession of land from squatters and to make related amendments and repeals in
certain enactments relating to gipsy caravan sites; to create further powers and offences for the prevention of terrorist activities; to amend the law relating to obscenity and pornography and to amend the Video Recordings Act 1984; to make further provision in relation to prisons, the provision of prison services and employment in the prison service; to amend the law relating to the transfer of detainees and the release of prisoners on licence; to extend police powers in other parts of the United Kingdom and in United Kingdom waters; to confer new powers in relation to prisoners and persons bringing articles into prisons; to increase certain penalties; to amend the law relating to extradition and the backing of warrants; to extend the powers of the Serious Fraud Office; to penalise the sale of tickets for designated football matches by unauthorised persons; to authorise the payment of grants for expenditure on measures for the prevention of crime or reduction of the fear of crime or for security at party conferences; and for purposes connected with those purposes.

Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, to be considered tomorrow and to be printed [Bill 72].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 293].

6 Contaminated Land,—Ordered. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require those who were responsible for polluting land to be responsible for its restoration and decontamination; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Robert Ainsworth, Mr Geoffrey Robinson, Mr Jim Cunningham, Estelle Morris, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Cynog Dafis, Ann Coffey, Mr Robert Litherland, Mr George Howarth and Mr Harry Barnes do prepare and bring it in.

7 Contaminated Land Bill,—Mr Robert Ainsworth accordingly presented a Bill to require those who were responsible for polluting land to be responsible for its restoration and decontamination; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 74].

8 Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, that the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House, while recognising a broad measure of support for the principle of unitary authorities in Wales, declines to give a Second Reading to the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] since it fails to establish a directly elected all-Wales tier of government, concentrates further power over local government in the hands of the Secretary of State for Wales, abolishes a democratic tier of local government in favour of joint boards and other joint arrangements, threatens to undermine the viability of local services, provides opportunities for further privatisation and the possible creation of even more Welsh quangos, does nothing to improve the system of Welsh local government finance, ignores important traditional and historic Welsh local government boundaries and will cost the Welsh people at least £100 million which could be better used in improving basic local government services', instead thereof.—(Mr Ron Davies.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr John Spellar: 285.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 313.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 313.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr John Spellar: 285.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

9 Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] [Money];—Her Majesty's recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise—
(a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by any Minister of the Crown under that Act;
(b) any increase attributable to the provisions of that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment; and
(c) the making of payments into the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

10 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Coventry for an immediate review of the operation of the Asylum and Immigration Act 1993 was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

11 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);
And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-three minutes past Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.23 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Tuesday 15th March 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


5 Tribunals and Inquiries,—Fees for Inquiries (Standard Daily Amount) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 642), dated 28th February 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other Papers:

6 Administration of Justice,—Accounts of Funds in Court for the period 1st March 1992 to 28th February 1993, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 291] [Clerk of the House].

7 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health on 9th March 1994 on borrowing by—
(1) Addenbrookes National Health Service Trust,
(2) Andover District Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(3) Bassetlaw Hospital And Community Health Services National Health Service Trust,
(4) Christie Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(5) Doncaster Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(6) East Gloucestershire National Health Service Trust,
(7) Exeter and District Community Health Services National Health Service Trust,
(8) James Paget Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(9) Leicester General Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(10) Leicestershire Mental Health Services National Health Service Trust,
(11) Norfolk and Norwich Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(12) Northern General Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(13) Northampton General Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(14) Oxfordshire Ambulance National Health Service Trust,
(15) Portsmouth Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(16) Princess Royal Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(17) Rockingham Forest National Health Service Trust,
(18) Royal Devon and Exeter Healthcare National Health Service Trust, and
(19) St. Mary's Hospital National Health Service Trust
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Health on the Petition [17th February] from students of St. John's College, Oxford, against the inclusion of contraceptives on the limited list of medicines [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Reserve Forces,—Statement by the Secretary of State for Defence under section 11 of the Reserve Forces Act 1980 on the call out of Territorial Army Personnel [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

10 Transport,—Report of the Transport Users Consultative Committee for Wales for 1992-93 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 15th March; to be printed [No. 233-iii] [Mr Greville Janner] and [281-ii] [Mr Ernie Ross].

2 Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 14th March; to be printed [No. 230-v] [Mr William McKelvey].

3 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Twelfth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
   (2) Sixth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;
   to be printed [Nos. 19-xiii and 20-vi] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 69.]

Wednesday 16th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 British Railways (No. 2) Order Confirmation Bill,—The British Railways (No. 2) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

2 British Railways (No. 3) Order Confirmation Bill,—The British Railways (No. 3) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

3 British Railways Order Confirmation Bill,—The British Railways Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be considered to-morrow.

4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

5 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

6 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

7 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

8 European Standing Committee A,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from European Standing Committee A, That the Committee had come to no Resolution in respect of European Community Document No. 7909/92, relating to the Court of Auditors' Special Report on the Environment.
   Report to lie upon the Table.
9 European Standing Committee B.—Mr Nicholas Winterton reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4911/92 and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 4th February 1994, relating to common rules for the internal market in electricity and natural gas; supports the Government's view that the Commission's proposals are the minimum acceptable as the second phase of the establishment of the internal energy market; and endorses the Government's objective of progressing to full liberalisation as rapidly as possible.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

10 County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 (Petition of General Objection).—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them that this House has appointed a Committee of three Members to join with a Committee of the Lords as the Joint Committee to which the Petition of General Objection against the County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 stands referred, pursuant to section 4 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945.

11 Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) Amendment.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations to reduce to ten years the aggregate period of underground work required to qualify for benefits in cases of chronic bronchitis and emphysema to amend the rules relating to medical assessment of percentage levels of disablement in people suffering from these conditions; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Michael Clapham, Mr Eric Clarke, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Mike O'Brien, Mr Terry Patchett, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Kevin Hughes, Mr Ted Rowlands, Mr Alan Meale and Mr Lawrence Cunliffe do prepare and bring it in.

12 Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) Amendment Bill.—Mr Michael Clapham accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations to reduce to ten years the aggregate period of underground work required to qualify for benefits in cases of chronic bronchitis and emphysema; to amend the rules relating to medical assessment of percentage levels of disablement in people suffering from these conditions; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th April and to be printed [Bill 75].

13 Ways and Means.—Capital allowances: buildings and structures.—Resolved, That provision may be made for balancing charges under Part I of the Capital Allowances Act 1990 where any of the value of the relevant interest in any building or structure is realised otherwise than on a sale.—(Mr Stephen Dorrell.)

14 Ways and Means.—PAYE.—Resolved, That provision (including provision having retrospective effect) may be made relating to the Income Tax (Employments) Regulations 1993 and the Income Tax (Employments) Regulations 1973.—(Mr Stephen Dorrell.)

15 Ways and Means.—Pre-entry losses.—Resolved. That provision may be made amending Schedule 7A to the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992.—(Mr Stephen Dorrell.) Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Standing Committee on the Finance Bill that it have power to make provision therein pursuant to the foregoing Resolutions.

16 Ecclesiastical Law.—Resolved, That the draft Grants to the Redundant Churches Fund Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved.—(Mr lain Sproat.)

17 Rating and Valuation.—Resolved, That the draft Mines and Quarries (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th February, be approved.—(Mr Allan Stewart.)

18 Rating and Valuation.—Resolved, That the draft Industrial and Freight Transport (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th February, be approved.—(Mr Allan Stewart.)

19 Rating and Valuation.—Resolved, That the draft Football Grounds (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th February, be approved.—(Mr Allan Stewart.)

20 Rating and Valuation.—Resolved, That the draft Telecommunications Industry (Rateable Values) (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th February, be approved.—(Mr Allan Stewart.)

21 Atomic Energy and Radioactive Substances.—Resolved, That the draft Nuclear Installations (Increase of Operators' Limits of Liability) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 16th February, be approved.—(Mr Tim Eggar.)
22 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 7th March, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton);

And it being Seven o'clock, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th March]:—It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker then put the Questions on the other Motions to be decided at that hour.

Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Resolved, That the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 7th March, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Resolved, That the draft Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 7th March, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Resolved, That the draft Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Prescribed Proceedings) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 7th March, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

23 Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords],—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 86 (Nomination of standing committees), any Standing Committee appointed for consideration of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] shall consist of twenty-eight Members, including not fewer than nineteen Members sitting for constituencies in Wales—(Sir Wyn Roberts);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 4, to leave out from the word 'or' to the end of the Question and add the words 'sixty-three Members', instead thereof.—(Mr Rhodri Morgan.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th March].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Ray Powell: 271.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 318.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 317.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr John Cummings: 271.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 86 (Nomination of standing committees), any Standing Committee appointed for consideration of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] shall consist of twenty-eight Members, including not fewer than nineteen Members sitting for constituencies in Wales.

24 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom against media dissemination of degrading or violent images was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

25 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.3 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 16th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—(1) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Blackdown Hills) Designation Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 707),

(2) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Cotswold Hills) Designation Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 708),

(3) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Dartmoor) Designation Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 710),
(4) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Essex Coast) Designation Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 711),
(5) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Shropshire Hills) Designation Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 709), and
dated 3rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

(2) Income Tax (Empl oyments) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 775), and
(3) Income Tax (Replacement Cars) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 777),
dated 15th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

3 Landlord and Tenant.—Rent Act 1977 (Forms, etc.) (Welsh Forms and Particulars) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 725), dated 10th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

4 Social Security.—(1) Social Security (Categorisation of Earners) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 726), dated 14th March 1994,
(2) Social Security (Contributions) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 667), dated 9th March 1994, and
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

5 Citizen’s Charter,—Paper, entitled the Citizen’s Charter—Second Report: 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2540] [The Prime Minister and Mr William Waldegrave].

6 Human Fertilisation and Embryology,—Account of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 296] [Clerk of the House].

7 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health on 9th March 1994 on borrowing by—
(1) Avalon Somerset National Health Service Trust,
(2) Chorley and South Ribble National Health Service Trust,
(3) East Yorkshire Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(4) Norfolk Mental Health Care National Health Service Trust,
(5) North Durham Acute Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(6) North Hampshire Loddon Community National Health Service Trust,
(7) Northampton Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(8) Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre National Health Service Trust,
(9) Oxford Radcliffe Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(10) Pilgrim and Associated Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(11) Preston Acute Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(12) Royal Shrewsbury Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(13) Salisbury Health Care National Health Service Trust,
(14) Severn National Health Service Trust, and
(15) Wirral Hospital National Health Service Trust
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 National Heritage,—Report by the Board of Trustees of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew for 1990-93 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Third Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1993-94, being the Annual Report for 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 798] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, viz.: Mr John Austin-Walker, Mr Roger Berry, Sir Richard Body, Mr David Congdon, Jean Corston, Sir John Hannam, Mr Alan Howarth, Mrs Jacqui Lait, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Alfred Morris, Mr Nicholas Scott, Mr Barry Sheerman, Mr Richard Shepherd, Mr Roger Sims and the Reverend Martin Smyth.

2 County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 (Petition of General Objection) (Joint Committee),—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated three Members to serve on a Committee to join with a Committee of the Lords as the Joint Committee to which the petition of General Objection against the County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 stands referred, pursuant to section 4 of the Statutory Order (Special Procedure) Act 1945, viz.: Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Dr Robert Spink and Mr Patrick Thompson.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence,—(1) First Report from the Defence Committee [The Programme to Replace or Refurbish the Hercules Transport Aircraft], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 118]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 16th March; to be printed [No. 297-i]
   [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 16th March; to be printed [No. 89-ii] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 16th March; to be printed [No. 294-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation,—Twelfth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Home Affairs,—(1) Second Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Funding of Political Parties], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 301]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 16th March; to be printed [No. 302-i]
   [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Second Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration for 1992], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 64] [Mr James Pawsey].

7 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 16th March; to be printed [No. 303-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

8 Social Security,—(1) Third Report from the Social Security Committee [The Work of Buchler Phillips on the Receivership of the Maxwell Personal Estate]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 299]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 16th March; to be printed [No. 125-vi]
   [Mr Frank Field].

9 Trade and Industry,—(1) First Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [The Future of the Post Office], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 207]; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee [Mr Richard Caborn].
10 Treasury and Civil Service.-(1) Third Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [The Form of the Estimates], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 192];

(2) First Special Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Government Observations on the Second Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94, on the November 1993 Budget]; to be printed [No. 300]; and

(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 16th March; to be printed [No. 236-vi]

[Mr John Watts].

11 Welsh Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 16th March; to be printed [No. 295] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 16th March 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—

(1) the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee A; and

(2) the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill to Standing Committee C.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Roy Hughes and Mrs Ann Winterton Chairmen of Standing Committee A in respect of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords];

(2) Mr Edward O’Hara Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Chiropractors Bill;

(3) Mr James Hill Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill;

(4) Mr Robert Hicks Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Antarctic Bill; and

(5) Mr Michael Shersby Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 10401/93 relating to the Green Paper on European Social Policy Options.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 4616/94, relating to agricultural price proposals 1994-95, has been referred to European Standing Committee A.

[No. 70.]


THE HOUSE

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills (Standing Order not previously inquired into complied with).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred after the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Order not previously inquired into, which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, viz:

Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill.

Bill committed.

2 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 24th March.

3 University of London Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 24th March.
4 British Railways Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Railways Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time on Monday 21st March.

5 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

6 Select Committees.—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

7 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 (Petition of General Objection).—The Lords have appointed a Committee of three Lords to join with a Committee of the House of Commons as the Joint Committee to which the Petition of General Objection against the County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 stands referred, pursuant to section 4 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945; they have ordered that such Committee have power to agree with the Committee of the House of Commons in the appointment of a Chairman; and that they propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room 6 on Wednesday 20th April at half-past Ten o'clock.

8 Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill.—The Order for reading the Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill a second time on Friday 25th March was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15th April.

9 Adjournment (Easter and Monday 2nd May).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising on Thursday 31st March, do adjourn until Tuesday 12th April and, at its rising on Friday 29th April, do adjourn until Tuesday 3rd May—(Mr Tony Newton);

And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 22 (Periodic adjournments):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising on Thursday 31st March, do adjourn until Tuesday 12th April and, at its rising on Friday 29th April, do adjourn until Tuesday 3rd May.

10 Bovine Somatotrophin.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees) That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 8757/93 and 10761/93, relating to bovine somatotrophin (BST), and of the recommendation to prohibit the marketing and use of BST for the duration of milk quotas; and supports the subsequent Council Decision for a continuation of the existing moratorium until 31st December 1994, linked to a declaration that the Council uses this period to consider the implications of long-term prohibition and, in particular, experience of its use in the United States—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

11 Internal Market in Electricity and Natural Gas.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4911/92, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 4th February 1994, relating to common rules for the internal market in electricity and natural gas; supports the Government's view that the Commission's proposals are the minimum acceptable as the second phase of the establishment of the internal energy market, and endorses the Government's objective of progressing to full liberalisation as rapidly as possible—(Mr James Arbuthnot);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Michael Brown: 163.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 40.

So the Question was agreed to.
Resolved. That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 491/92, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 4th February 1994, relating to common rules for the internal market in electricity and natural gas; supports the Government's view that the Commission's proposals are the minimum acceptable as the second phase of the establishment of the internal energy market, and endorses the Government's objective of progressing to full liberalisation as rapidly as possible.

12 Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That this House do now adjourn—(Mr James Arbuthnot);

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The Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

14 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes past Six o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 6.27 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 17th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education,—Education (Groups including Grant-maintained Special Schools) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 779), dated 15th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

2 Medicines,—Medicines (Control of Substances for Manufacture and Exportation of Specified Products for Human Use) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 787), dated 16th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

3 Northern Ireland,—(1) Social Security (Contributions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 765), and


Other Papers:

4 Electricity,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 14th March 1994 on borrowing by Scottish Nuclear Ltd [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 European Legislation,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-committee of the European Legislation Committee on 17th March; to be printed [No. 304-i] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

2 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 17th March; to be printed [No. 271-iv] [Mr Peter Shore].

3 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 17th March; to be printed [No. 289-ii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

THE SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

The Speaker certified that the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.
The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).


Lords Message considered accordingly.

Ordered, That the Members appointed to serve on the Joint Committee on the County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 (Petition of General Objection) do meet the Lords appointed to serve thereon as proposed by their Lordships.

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

3 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill,—Ordered, That the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th April.

4 Insolvency (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Secretary Heseltine, supported by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Howard, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew and Mr Neil Hamilton, presented a Bill to amend the Insolvency Act 1986 in relation to contracts of employment adopted by administrators, administrative receivers and certain other receivers; and to make corresponding provision for Northern Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 21st March and to be printed [Bill 76].

5 Transport Police (Jurisdiction) Bill,—Mr Secretary MacGregor, supported by Mr Secretary Howard and Mr Roger Freeman, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the jurisdiction of transport police: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 21st March and to be printed [Bill 77].

6 Council of Europe and Western European Union,—Resolved, That this House supports the important roles of the Council of Europe and Western European Union; takes note of the work of the Parliamentary Assemblies of both bodies and, in particular, of the work and efforts of the United Kingdom's delegation; notes the role of the Council of Europe in bringing the parliamentary process to the Parliaments and people of Eastern and Central European countries which have joined it in recent years; recognises the special role of the Council of Europe as an institution specialising in the protection of minorities and human rights in those countries; and welcomes the fact that under the Maastricht Treaty the Western European Union is to be the future European Defence entity and the European pillar of the new-role NATO.—(Mr Richard Alexander.)

7 Future of Europe,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes the importance of all European organisations, including the Council of Europe; and further believes that the long term future peace and prosperity of the continent depends upon the evolution of the European Union into an organisation deserving of the whole-hearted confidence, respect and support of the peoples of the Member States and also the rest of the world—(Sir James Spicer);

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

8 Insolvency Bill,—The Insolvency Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr John Butterfill):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr James Arbuthnot reported, That the
Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Secretary Brooke, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

9 Hedgerows Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hedgerows Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th April.

10 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 15th April.

11 Insolvency (No. 2) Bill and Transport Police (Jurisdiction) Bill,—Ordered, That, in respect of the Insolvency (No. 2) Bill and the Transport Police (Jurisdiction) Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bills have been read a second time.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

12 European Standing Committees,—Ordered, That European Community Document No. 4616/94, relating to agricultural price proposals 1994-95, shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee A.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

13 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 21st March.

[Adjourned at 3.2 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 18th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


2 Town and Country Planning,—(1) Town and Country Planning (Assessment of Environmental Effects) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 677), and

(2) Town and Country Planning General Development (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 678),

dated 9th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


Other Papers:

4 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—

(1) machinery for printing, paper, wood, leather, rubber, glass and related industries; laundry and dry cleaning machinery,

(2) miscellaneous vehicles,

(3) the tobacco industry, and

(4) throwing, texturing, etc. of continuous filament yarn

[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 British Railways Order Confirmation Bill,—The British Railways Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Insolvency (No. 2) Bill,—The Insolvency (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Administrators: priority of liabilities under adopted contracts of employment).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 2, line 26, to leave out the words '15th March 1994' and insert the words '31st December 1986'. (Mr Stuart Bell.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Liability for contracts)—(Mr Malcolm Bruce)—brought up, and read the first time, as follows:

'(1) Section 37 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (personal liability of receiver or manager appointed under powers contained in an instrument for certain contracts) shall be amended as provided in subsections (2) and (3) below.

(2) In subsection (1)(a) (liability for contracts of employment adopted by him in performance of his functions) after "provides) and" there shall be inserted", to the extent of any qualifying liability,"

(3) After subsection (2) there shall be inserted—

"(2A) For the purposes of subsection (1)(a), a liability under a contract of employment is a qualifying liability if—

(a) it is a liability to pay a sum by way of wages or salary or contribution to an occupational pension scheme,

(b) it is incurred while the receiver or manager is in office, and

(c) it is in respect of services rendered wholly or partly after the adoption of the contract.

(2B) Where a sum is payable in respect of a liability which is a qualifying liability for the purposes of subsection (1)(a) is payable in respect of services rendered partly before and partly after the adoption of the contract, liability under subsection (1)(a) shall only extend to so much of the sum as is payable in respect of services rendered after the adoption of the contract.

(2C) For the purposes of subsections (2A) and (2B)—

(a) wages or salary payable in respect of the period of holiday or absence from work through sickness or other good cause are deemed to be wages or (as the case may be) salary in respect of services rendered in that period, and

(b) a sum payable in lieu of holidays is deemed to be wages (or as the case may be) salary in respect of services rendered in the period by reference to which the holiday entitlement arose.
(2D) In subsection (2C)(a), the reference to wages or salary payable in respect of a period of holiday includes any sums which, if they had been paid, would have been treated for the purposes of the enactments relating to social security as earnings in respect of that period."

(4) This section shall have effect in relation to contracts of employment adopted on or after the 15th March 1994.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:— Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Andrew MacKay reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

6 Transport Police (Jurisdiction) Bill,— The Transport Police (Jurisdiction) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Michael Brown):— It was agreed to.

And the Question being put, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Michael Brown: 180.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Andrew Mackinlay: 44.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill:— The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of the British Transport Commission Act 1949).

Amendment (No. 5) proposed, in page 1, line 7, to leave out the words ', in its application to England and Wales'. (Mr Andrew Mackinlay.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Bob Cryer: 54.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 151.

Another Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, to leave out from the word 'elsewhere' in line 21 to the end of line 31 and insert the words 'but only for the purposes of—

(i) carrying out investigations; and

(ii) arresting any person—

(aa) whom he has followed from, or from the vicinity of, any such premises, in circumstances where that person could have been arrested in, on, or in the vicinity of, such premises; or

(bb) who is in possession of goods or money which the constable reasonably believes to have been stolen from or from the vicinity of, any such premises or from the custody of the transport police'. (Mr Frank Dobson.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Jim Dowd: 49.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Derek Conway, Mr James Arbuthnot: 167.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed, in page 1, line 25, at the end, to insert the words '; or

(iv) London Underground Limited'. (Mr Andrew Mackinlay.)
Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Timothy Wood reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

7 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of York against VAT on domestic fuel was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

8 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Timothy Wood);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

9 Adjournment, Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Wood.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 18th March 1994 pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Building Societies,—(1) Building Societies (Designated Capital Resources) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 750), and

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 21st March 1994:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

2 Immigration,—Draft Immigration (European Economic Area) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


5 Legal Aid and Advice,—(1) Civil Legal Aid (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 806), dated 17th March 1994 [by Act],
(2) Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 805), dated 17th March 1994 [by Act],
(5) Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 97), dated 16th March 1994 [by Statutory Instrument], and

7 National Assistance Services,—(1) National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 825) and
(2) National Assistance (Sums for Personal Requirements) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 826),
dated 21st March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Pensions,—Personal Injuries (Civilians) Amendment Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 715),
dated 17th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

9 Rating and Valuation,—Non-Domestic Rating (Railways) and Central Rating Lists (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 834), dated 21st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

10 Social Security,—Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Subsidy) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 781), dated 15th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

11 Census,—(1) Postcode Sector Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Survey for Outer London South, and
(2) Ward and Civil Parish Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for Surrey
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

12 Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 11th March on borrowing by the Civil Aviation Authority [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

13 Parliamentary Commissioner (Northern Ireland),—Report of the Northern Ireland Ombudsman for 1993, being the Annual Reports of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration for Northern Ireland and the Commissioner for Complaints [by Act]; to be printed [No. 245] [Clerk of the House].

14 Social Security (Training),—Accounts of the Central Council for Education and Training in Social Work 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 307] [Clerk of the House].

15 Transport,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 11th March 1994 on borrowing by London Regional Transport [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee B,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Chiropractors Bill to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C).

2 Standing Committee D,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Antarctic Bill to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C).

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—(1) Seventeenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Overseas Development Administration: Pergau Hydro-Electric Project], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 155]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 21st March: to be printed [No. 308-i]
[Mr Robert Sheldon].

MEMORANDUM

Monday 21st March 1994

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees) the Speaker appointed Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Chiropractors Bill in place of Mr Edward O’Hara.
Tuesday 22nd March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Insolvency (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

4 Freedom to Roam (Access to Countryside),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for codification of law to ensure public access to the countryside and to define obligations and responsibilities for the public and landowners alike; and for connected purposes: And that Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Cynog Dafis, Mr Robert Hicks, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Elliot Morley, Mr Chris Mullin, Mr Eddie McGrady, Mr Alex Salmond, Mr Paddy Tipping, Mr A. Cecil Walker and Mr Andrew Welsh do prepare and bring it in.

5 Freedom to Roam (Access to Countryside) Bill,—Mrs Margaret Ewing accordingly presented a Bill to provide for codification of law to ensure public access to the countryside and to define obligations and responsibilities for the public and landowners alike; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 22nd April and to be printed [Bill 78].

6 Coal Industry Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Coal Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be considered in the following order, namely, New Clauses, Amendments relating to Clause 1, Schedule 1, Clauses 2 to 12, Schedule 2, Clauses 13 to 15, Schedule 3, Clauses 16 to 21, Schedule 4, Clause 22, Schedule 5, Clauses 23 to 43, Schedule 6, Clauses 44 to 49, Schedule 7, Clauses 50 to 52, Schedule 8, Clauses 53 to 65, Schedules 9, 10 and 11, Clause 66, New Schedules. (Mr Tim Eggar.)

A Clause (Mining museums) (Mr David Hinchliffe)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Medical Service)—(Mr Martin O'Neill)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Minewater) (Mr Stuart Bell)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 262.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 298.

Another Clause (Research and Development) (Mr Martin O'Neill)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Eric Illsley: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Michael Brown: 296.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.
7 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Coal Industry Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Wood): It was agreed to.

8 Coal Industry Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Coal Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Clause (British Coal Enterprise)—(Mr Martin O'Neill)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 52) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 25, to leave out the words 'Great Britain' and to insert the words 'England, Scotland and Wales', instead thereof.—(Mr Simon Hughes.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 35, after the word 'disposal', to insert the words 'except where the land or property is capable of beneficial use in accordance with the local development plan in which cases the land or property shall be transferred to governmental development agencies'.—(Mr Richard Alexander.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House proceeded to a Division.

Wednesday 23rd March 1994

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Cummings: 266.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Wood: 300.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

Bill to be further considered this day.

9 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.27 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 22nd March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Local Government,—Draft Isle of Wight (Structural Change) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Local Government,—Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 867), dated 22nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 Transport,—Railways Act 1993 (Consequential Modifications) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 857), dated 22nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:

4 Police (Northern Ireland),—Independent Commission for Police Complaints for Northern Ireland for 1991-94 Triennial Review [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 133] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].
5 Railways,—Objectives for the Director of Passenger Rail Franchising set pursuant to the Railways Act 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 22nd March; to be printed [No. 233-iv] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Foreign Affairs,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 22nd March; to be printed [No. 271-v]; and (2) Memorandum laid before the Foreign Affairs Committee [Mr Peter Shore].

3 Statutory Instruments,—Thirteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xiv] [Mr Bob Cryer].

MEMORANDUM
Tuesday 22nd March 1994
Chairmen’s Panel,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 4 (Chairmen’s Panel), the Speaker nominated Mr Patrick Thompson to be a member of the Chairmen’s Panel during this Session.

[No. 74.]
Wednesday 23rd March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Chiropractors Bill,—Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody reported from Standing Committee B, That it had gone through the Chiropractors Bill, and directed her to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 6th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 313].

6 Sale and Supply of Goods Bill,—Mr James Hill reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 20th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 312].

7 European Standing Committee B,—Mr Michael Shersby reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 10401/93, relating to European social policy, and shares the Government’s view that future social policy in the Community should promote jobs and competitiveness and not impose unnecessary costs on industry.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.
8 Withdrawal of Medical Treatment. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prescribe circumstances in which medical treatment and nutrition can be withdrawn and to secure the continued provision in such circumstances of palliative care; and for connected purposes — (Mr Gary Waller);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business): — It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr Gary Waller, Mrs Marion Roe, Mr Gerald Kaufman, Dame Angela Rumbold, Mr Dennis Canavan, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Patrick Nicholls, Mr Frank Field, Mr Alex Carlile, Mrs Ann Winterton, the Reverend Martin Smyth and Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours do prepare and bring it in.

9 Withdrawal of Medical Treatment Bill, — Mr Gary Waller accordingly presented a Bill to prescribe circumstances in which medical treatment and nutrition can be withdrawn and to secure the continued provision in such circumstances of palliative care; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 6th May and to be printed [Bill 79].

10 Coal Industry Bill, — The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Coal Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 30 and 45 to 48) made to the Bill,

Another Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 49, at the end, to insert the words —

'(10) The Secretary of State shall direct the Corporation to ensure that no coal mine shall cease production until the Coal Authority is established and able to invite applications for licences for these mines under section 26 of this Act.

(11) The Secretary of State shall not perform the functions of the Coal Authority under subsection (10) above.

(12) Where it is agreed that coal production is no longer possible, the Corporation may carry out its duty under subsection (10) above by operating on a care and maintenance basis only'. — (Mr Robin Cook.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Alan Meale: 266.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 297.

Another Amendment (No. 16) proposed to the Bill, in page 76, line 30, at the end, to insert the words —

'(3A) Any term of an employment contract or non-contractual condition of employment, including any entitlement to concessionary fuel, which is transferred under a restructuring scheme or modification agreement shall not be altered or withdrawn without the agreement of the employee or his trade union.

(3B) An employee may only have terminated by notice an employment contract transferred by a restructuring scheme or modification agreement if the employer gives no less than 12 months notice after reasonable consultation with the employee’s trade union.

(3C) Paragraphs 3A and 3B above shall continue to apply when the employer changes as a result of a transfer of undertakings'. — (Mr Martin O’Neill.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: — Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 34 to 39) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 22) proposed to the Bill, in page 18, line 14, at the end, to insert the words —

'( ) The Secretary of State may at any time before the restructuring date make a scheme for the transfer of property rights and liabilities from the Corporation to the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation or a body or person to which its functions have been transferred under Section 12(3) of the Miners’ Welfare Act 1952.

( ) A scheme made under subsection (4) above may only provide for the transfer of land in the freehold possession of the Corporation and associated property where:

(a) the land and any building thereon are leased to a Miners’ Welfare, Charity or Friendly Society in pursuit of their charitable objectives; or
(b) the land and any buildings thereon have been consistently used for the pursuit of Miners' Welfare objectives during the past five years, regardless of whether or not any rent has been paid or demanded; or

c) the land and any buildings thereon have been used for the purposes which accord closely with the social, recreational, educational and cultural objectives of the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation.

( ) Where a Miners' Welfare Charity or Friendly Society is unable to maintain recreational facilities it owns, either by freehold or leasehold, a local authority may agree to accept responsibility for maintenance of these facilities.

( ) Where a local authority considers whether to exercise its powers under subsection (6) of this section, it may apply to the Secretary of State for an increase in its standard spending assessment to cover the maintenance costs for a period not exceeding five years'.—(Mr Martin O'Neill.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 17) proposed to the Bill, in page 101, line 25, at the end, to insert the words—

'(aa) for securing that, if modifications are made pursuant to sub-paragraph (a) above, provision shall be made for an independent person to have power to appoint and remove the chairman of the trustees who shall himself be an independent person, and for this purpose a person is independent if—

(i) he is not entitled to any pension right which gives rise to a pension obligation under the existing scheme;

(ii) he is not employed in the Civil Service of the Crown, whether in an established capacity or not, and whether for the whole or part of his time;

(iii) he is not a member of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom; and

(iv) he is not a member of the House of Commons;

and the period of appointment of the chairman shall be for a fixed term not exceeding five years'.—(Mr Stuart Bell.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 19) proposed to the Bill, in page 102, line 37, at the end, to insert the words—

'(10A) The power of the Secretary of State to make regulations under this paragraph shall not be exercisable at any time after 31st December 1995'.—(Mr Stuart Bell.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 18) proposed to the Bill, in page 102, line 49, at the end, to insert the words 'and

(c) so much of any pension obligation arising under the scheme as derives either from modifications of the scheme made after the restructuring date or from any surplus of assets of the scheme over what is required for meeting pension obligations under the scheme'.—(Mr Stuart Bell.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 37, line 24, after the word 'substitution', to insert the words—

'(a) in relation to any claim for compensation for subsidence damage, for references to the Corporation of references to the Authority; and

(b)').—(Mr Richard Alexander.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 32, 33, 49 and 50) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 47, line 19, to leave out the words 'after 31st December 1999' and insert the words 'except in respect of land for which a valid planning application for coal mining has been received by the relevant local planning authority by the date on which this Act received the Royal Assent', instead thereof. —(Mr Richard Alexander.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

11 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the
Coal Industry Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

12 Coal Industry Bill,—The House again proceeded further to consider the Coal Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 5) be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 60) proposed to the Bill, in page 48, line 5, after the word 'application', to insert the words 'there shall be a presumption against opencast mining and'.—(Mr David Ashby.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 61) proposed to the Bill, in page 48, line 10, to leave out the word 'and', and insert the words—

'(aa) to the extent of the environmental impact of the proposal on the area;

(ab) to the balance of costs and benefits of the proposal; and

(ac) to the existence of current opencast mining operations or any such operations as have ceased within a period of five years immediately preceding the date of the application, within a radius of five miles of the proposed site of operations', instead thereof.—(Mr David Ashby.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 31 and 44) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Secretary Heseltine, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

Mr Secretary Heseltine, by Command of the Prince of Wales, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his Consent, as far as the Prince of Wales's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 312.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jim Dowd: 271.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

13 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Grimsby against the County Council of Humberside (A16-Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.39 p.m.]
(i) Cheshire, and
(ii) Essex
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

4 Census (Scotland),—Report of the General Register Office Scotland on New Towns (Parts 1 and 2), tables 15, 16 and 96 for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 Development of Rural Wales,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 21st March 1994 to the Development Board for Rural Wales [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

6 Employment Protection,—Report of the Certification Officer for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

7 New Towns,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 21st March 1994 on borrowing by the Commission for the New Towns [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

8 Public Accounts,—Northern Ireland Department of Finance and Personnel Memorandum on the First and Second Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1993-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2493] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

9 Science and Technology,—Government Response to the Seventh Report of the House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology, Session 1992-93 on regulation of the United Kingdom biotechnology industry and global competitiveness [by Command] [Cm. 2528] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

10 Statutory Instruments,—Report to the Lord Chancellor and the Speaker from the Statutory Instruments Reference Committee—
That it has been notified in accordance with regulation 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Regulations 1947 that the Secretary of State for Health has certified, under regulation 6 of the said Regulations, that the printing and sale of the Medicines (Homoeopathic Medicinal Products for Human Use) Regulations 1993 and the Medicines (Homoeopathic Medicinal Products for Human Use) (Revocation) Regulations 1994, in accordance with the requirements of section 2(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, are unnecessary, having regard to the fact that the former instrument will not come into force and will be revoked by the latter instrument;
That the Committee is satisfied that the certificate is justified and has taken no further action in the matter [The Speaker].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated twenty-eight Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr Nick Ainger, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Ian Bruce, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Denzil Davies, Mr Ron Davies, Mr Jonathan Evans, Mr Roger Evans, Mr David Evennett, Mr Peter Hain, Mr David Hanson, Mr Warren Hawksley, Mr Gwilym Jones, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Barry Legg, Mr Eifion Llywyd, Dr John Maren, Mr Rhodri Morgan, Mr Paul Murphy, Mr David Nicholson, Mr Rod Richards, Sir Wyn Roberts, Mr Ted Rowlands, Mr Llew Smith, Dr Robert Spink, Mr Gary Streeter, Mr Walter Sweeney and Mr David Tredinnick.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 23rd March; to be printed [No. 314-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 23rd March; to be printed [No. 311-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 European Legislation,—Thirteenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xiii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Foreign Affairs,—First Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Relations between the United Kingdom and China in the period up to and beyond 1997], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 37] [Mr David Howell].

5 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 23rd March; to be printed [No. 316-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

6 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 23rd March; to be printed [No. 285-ii] [Mr Richard Caborn].
7 Transport, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 23rd March; to be printed [No. 315-i] [Mr Paul Channon].

8 Treasury and Civil Service, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 23rd March; to be printed [No. 236-vii] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 23rd March 1994

1 Chairmen of Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed Mr Roger Sims Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 6703/88, relating to the burden of proof in the area of equal pay and equal treatment for women and men.

2 European Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents No. 4715/94, relating to the SOCRATES programme on education and training, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by H. M. Treasury on 16th March 1994, relating to the discharge of the general budget for 1992, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 75.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill, The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 14th April.

2 University of London Bill, The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 14th April.

3 Accounts and Papers, Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees, Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Message from the Lords, A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the British Railways Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the British Railways (No. 2) Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the British Railways (No. 3) Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Transport Police (Jurisdiction) Bill, without Amendment.

6 Agricultural Prices, A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4616/94 on agricultural prices for 1994-95 and related measures, and of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food publication 'Agriculture in the United Kingdom 1993'—(Mrs Gillian Shepherd);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 4, at the end to add the words 'commends the contribution which farmers and farm workers make to the economy and supports the maintenance of the agricultural wages boards in their present form in order to prevent an increase in poverty in the countryside; deplores the budget cuts in hill livestock, compensatory allowances, in capital grants and in research and development which, coming on top of previous cuts, will inflict long-term damage on the industry; believes that the 1992 changes in the Common Agricultural Policy, including the introduction of set aside, which the then British Agricultural Minister, the Right honourable Member for Suffolk Coastal, described as very much in the United Kingdom's interest, do not adequately address the failures of the common agricultural policy including its exorbitant cost to the taxpayer; and is of the view that the...
Government's claims to be tackling waste, fraud and bureaucracy are hollow as long as the Common Agricultural Policy continues in its present form.'—(Dr Gavin Strang.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr John Spellar: 229.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 298.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4616/94 on agricultural prices for 1994-95 and related measures, and of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food publication Agriculture in the United Kingdom 1993.

7 Royal Assent,—The Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses, and to the following Measure passed under the provisions of the Church of England (Powers) Act 1919:

Consolidated Fund Act 1994
New Towns (Amendment) Act 1994
Mental Health (Amendment) Act 1994
Insolvency Act 1994
Transport Police (Jurisdiction) Act 1994
British Railways Order Confirmation Act 1994
British Railways (No. 2) Order Confirmation Act 1994
British Railways (No. 3) Order Confirmation Act 1994
Pastoral (Amendment) Measure 1994.

8 Parliamentary Commissioner Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Parliamentary Commissioner Bill [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Parliamentary Commissioner Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

9 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in consequence of the Act; and
(b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment.—(Mr Andrew Mackay.)

10 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Thursday 24th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Social Security, — Draft Maternity Allowance and Statutory Maternity Pay Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Immigration, — Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules [by Act]; to be printed [No. 306] [Mr Secretary Howard].
Other Papers:

3 Appropriations in Aid,—Treasury Minute, dated 24th March 1994, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes specified in the Estimates for 1994-95 [by Act] [Mr Michael Portillo].

4 British Library,—Accounts of the British Library Board for 1991-92, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 318] [Clerk of the House].

5 Census of Production,—Report on the Census of Production: Introductory Notes, 1992 [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

6 Environmental Protection,—Waste Management Licensing (Fees and Charges) Scheme 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

7 European Communities,—Statement on the 1994 Community Budget [by Command] [Cm. 2486] [Sir John Cope].

8 Defence (Royal Air Force),—Amendment List No. 17a to Queen’s Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

9 Merseyside Museums and Galleries,—Account of the National Museums and Galleries on Merseyside for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 317] [Clerk of the House].

10 National Audit,—Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on Wolds Remand Prison [by Act]; to be printed [No. 309] [Clerk of the House].

11 Northern Ireland,—Northern Ireland Trading and other Accounts for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 262] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

12 Sessional Returns, 1992-93,—Returns to Order [24th November] for Returns relating to—

(1) Business of the House,
(2) Closure of Debate and Allocation of Time,
(3) Delegated Legislation,
(4) Private Bills and Private Business,
(5) Public Bills,
(6) Sittings of the House,
(7) Special Procedure Orders,
(8) Standing Committees, and
(9) Select Committees
in Session 1992-93 [by Order]; to be printed [No. 280] [Clerk of the House].

13 Supply Estimates, 1994-95,—(1) Estimates for Classes I to XIX and Index for 1994-95 [by Command]; to be printed [Nos. 276-I to -XIX and 276-Ind] [Mr Stephen Dorrell];

(2) Estimates for Class XIX, A (House of Commons) for 1994-95 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 277] [The Speaker];

(3) Estimates for Class XIX, B, Vote 1 (National Audit Office) for 1994-95 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 278] [Sir Peter Hordern]; and

(4) Summary and Guide to the Supply Estimates, 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 2481] [Mr Michael Portillo].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 24th March; to be printed [No. 288-ii] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 24th March; to be printed [No. 289-iii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].
The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1. Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2. Message from the Lords, — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

   Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords]. — The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled,
   An Act to make provision about police areas, police forces and police authorities; to make
   provision for England and Wales about magistrates' courts committees, justices' clerks
   and administrative and financial arrangements for magistrates' courts; and for connected
   purposes: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

   was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 28th March and
   to be printed [Bill 80].

4. Adjournment, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do
   now adjourn (Mr Tony Baldry);

   And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House
   lapsed, without Question put.

5. Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Derek Conway.)

   And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Three o'clock, adjourned till
   Monday 28th March.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 25th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

   910), dated 23rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

   757), dated 15th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

3. National Health Service (Scotland), — National Health Service (General Medical and
   Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 884),
   dated 22nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

4. Miscellaneous (No. 8, 1994), — Administrative Agreement, done at Bonn on 18th March
   1993, to implement Article 60 of the Agreement of 3rd August 1959, as amended by the
   Agreements of 21st October 1971, 18th May 1981, and 18th March 1993, to supplement
   the Agreement between the parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the status of
   their forces with respect to foreign forces stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany
   [by Command] [Cm. 2487] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

   (2) Naval, Military and Air Forces etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions
   Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 772), and
   (3) Ulster Defence Regiment (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 773),
   dated 15th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

   between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
   and the Government of the Republic of India [by Command] [Cm. 2095] [Mr Secretary
   Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, — A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill [Money] (No. 2), — Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill [Money] (No. 2);

   Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required by the Secretary of State—

   (a) for making payments in connection with measures intended to prevent crime or reduce the fear of crime;

   (b) for defraying or contributing to the costs incurred by local authorities in providing, or arranging for the provision of, accommodation for restricting the liberty of children; and

   (c) for making payments in respect of the costs incurred by local authorities or probation committees in providing supervision for offenders subject to secure training orders.—(Mr Timothy Wood.)

4 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, — The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

   A Clause (Displaying, publishing, selling or distributing etc. obscene material in Scotland: sentence of imprisonment)—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

   Another Clause (Cost of secure accommodation)—(Mr David Maclean)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

   Another Clause (Power to apply sections 29 to 33 to armed forces)—(Mr David Maclean)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

   Another Clause (Police detention after charge)—(Mr David Maclean)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

   Another Clause (Management of secure accommodation)—(Mr David Maclean)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

   Another Clause (Criminal injuries compensation)—(Mr Tony Blair)—brought up, and read the first time.

   Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

   The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Dennis Turner: 269.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Brown: 296.

   Another Clause (Prevention of misuse of drugs by young people)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

   Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:— Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

   Another Clause (Body to investigate miscarriages of justice)—(Mr Chris Mullin)—brought up and read the first time.

   Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

   And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

5 Business of the House, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Irvine Patnick):— It was agreed to.

6 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, — The House again proceeded to consider the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

   Question again proposed, That the Clause (Body to investigate miscarriages of justice) be read a second time.
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Question put.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Dennis Turner: 278.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 308.

Another Clause (Duty of Crown Prosecution Service to victims)—(Mr Alan Michael)—brought up and read the first time.
Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Racial harassment)—(Mr Alan Michael)—brought up and read the first time.
Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)
Debate to be resumed this day.

7 Northern Ireland Affairs,—A Motion was made, That Mr James Cran, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Andrew Hunter, Sir James Kilfedder, Mr Eddie McGrady, Mr Ken Maginnis, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Peter Robinson, Mr Clive Soley, Mr Richard Spring, Mr John D. Taylor, Mr David Wilshire and Mr Mark Wollson be members of the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection);
The Motion was opposed.

8 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes to One o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.31 a.m.

APPENDIX I
Monday 28th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Merchant Shipping,—Draft Merchant Shipping (Ro-Ro Passenger Ship Survivability) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


3 Education,—Education (Grant-maintained Schools) (Finance) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 938), dated 27th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].


5 Pensions,—Local Government Superannuation (Greater Manchester Buses Limited) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 948), dated 25th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


7 Telecommunications,—(1) Public Telecommunications System Designation (Encom Cable TV & Telecommunications Limited) (Dartford) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 874),
(2) Public Telecommunications System Designation (Encom Cable TV & Telecommunications Limited) (Epping Forest) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 875), and
(3) Public Telecommunications System Designation (NYNEX CableComms Oldham Tameside) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 876),
dated 22nd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
Other Papers:

8 Census, — (1) Parliamentary Constituency Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the South West,
   (2) Postcode Sector Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the East Midlands, and
   (3) Ward and Community Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—
      (i) Gwent
      (ii) Mid Glamorgan, and
      (iii) South Glamorgan
   for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

9 Government Annuities and Insurances, — Account of all the moneys received on account of contracts for the grant of deferred life annuities and for payments on death, under the provisions of the Government Annuities Act 1929, and of the disposal thereof, and of the contracts made, for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Anthony Nelson].

10 National Health Service, — Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health—
   (1) on 22nd March 1994 on borrowing by Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Learning Disabilities National Health Service Trust,
   (2) on 22nd March 1994 on borrowing by Cornwall Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
   (3) on 22nd March 1994 on borrowing by Kent and Canterbury Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
   (4) on 22nd March 1994 on borrowing by Luton and Dunstable National Health Service Trust, and
   (5) on 24th March 1994 on borrowing by Luton and Dunstable National Health Service Trust
   [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

11 Police Complaints Authority, — Report and Accounts of the Police Complaints Authority for 1993, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 305] [Mr Secretary Howard].

12 Telecommunications, — Licences granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to—
   (1) Encom Cable TV & Telecommunications Limited (Dartford)
   (2) Encom Cable TV & Telecommunications Limited (Epping Forest), and
   (3) NYNEX CableComms Oldham and Tameside
   under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Health, — First Report from the Health Committee [Better off in the Community? The care of people who are seriously mentally ill], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 102] [Mrs Marion Roe].

MEMORANDUM
Monday 28th March 1994

Chairmen of Standing Committees, — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed Mr Edward O'Hara Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 6703/88, relating to the burden of proof in the area of equal pay and equal treatment for women and men, in place of Mr Roger Sims.
Tuesday 29th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Intelligence Services Bill [Lords].—Mr Barry Jones reported from Standing Committee E, That it had gone through the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 83].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 326].

4 Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77),—Sir David Knox reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 28, 46, 72 and 77), and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, not amended in the Committee and as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 81].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 327].

5 Stray Dogs,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to allow local authorities to permanently identify a stray dog before returning it to its owner; and for connected purposes: And that Jean Corston, Dawn Primarolo, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mrs Ann Winterton, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Roger Berry, Mr Elliot Morley, Mr Tony Banks, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Bill Etherington and Bridget Prentice, do prepare and bring it in.

6 Stray Dogs Bill,—Jean Corston accordingly presented a Bill to allow local authorities to permanently identify a stray dog before returning it to its owner, and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 13th May and to be printed [Bill 82].

7 Business of the House, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(1) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Gummer relating to Rating and Valuation not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; and

(2) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Sir Fergus Montgomery relating to Northern Ireland Affairs not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; such Questions shall include the Questions on any Amendments to the said Motion which she may have selected and which may then be moved; notwithstanding the practice of the House the said Motion shall be regarded as a single Motion:

and the above proceedings may be entered upon and proceeded with, though opposed, after Ten o'clock—(Mr Tony Newton);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 303.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr John Cummings: 233.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(1) put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Gummer relating to Rating and Valuation not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; and
(2) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Sir Fergus Montgomery relating to Northern Ireland Affairs not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; such Questions shall include the Questions on any Amendments to the said Motion which she may have selected and which may then be moved; notwithstanding the practice of the House the said Motion shall be regarded as a single Motion:

and the above proceedings may be entered upon and proceeded with, though opposed, after Ten o'clock.

8 Rating and Valuation. — Resolved, That the draft Railways (Rateable Values) (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th March, be approved. — (Mr Tony Baldry.)

9 Northern Ireland Affairs. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr James Cran, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Andrew Hunter, Sir James Kilfedder, Mr Eddie McGrady, Mr Ken Maginnis, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Peter Robinson, Mr Clive Soley, Mr Richard Spring, Mr John D. Taylor, Mr David Wilshire and Mr Mark Wolfson be members of the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee— (Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection);

And it being one and a half hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions which the Speaker was directed to put at that hour, pursuant to Order [this day].

An Amendment (a) was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out 'Mr James Cran' and insert 'Mr Thomas McAvoy'. — (Mr Kevin McNamara.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Cummings: 239.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 312.

So the Question was negatived.

Another Amendment (b) was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out 'Mr Charles Hendry' and insert 'Mr Harry Barnes'. — (Mr Kevin McNamara.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 241.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 313.

So the Question was negatived.

Another Amendment (c) was proposed to the Question, in line 4, to leave out 'Mr Richard Spring' and insert 'Mr Norman Hogg'. — (Mr Kevin McNamara.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Alan Meale: 239.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Michael Brown: 307.

So the Question was negatived.

Another Amendment (d) was proposed to the Question, in line 4, to leave out 'Mr David Wilshire' and insert 'Mr Andrew Mackinlay'. — (Mr Kevin McNamara.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 235.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Michael Brown: 308.

So the Question was negatived.

Another Amendment (e) was proposed to the Question, in line 4, to leave out 'Mr Mark Wolfson' and insert 'Mr Austin Mitchell'.—(Mr Kevin McNamara.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 235.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Michael Brown: 308.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put:—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr James Cran, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Andrew Hunter, Sir James Kilfedder, Mr Eddie McGrady, Mr Ken Maginnis, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Peter Robinson, Mr Clive Soley, Mr Richard Spring, Mr John D. Taylor, Mr David Wilshire and Mr Mark Wolfson be members of the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee.

10 European Social Policy.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 10401/93, relating to European social policy; and shares the Government's view that future social policy in the Community should promote jobs and competitiveness and not impose unnecessary costs on industry.—(Mr David Lightbown);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 300.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Eric Illsley: 211.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 10401/93, relating to European social policy; and shares the Government's view that future social policy in the Community should promote jobs and competitiveness and not impose unnecessary costs on industry.

11 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Irvine Patnick);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

12 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Irvine Patnick);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 29th March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:


Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


(2) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Breckland) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 923),

(3) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Clun) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 921),
(4) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Exmoor) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 928),

(5) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Lake District) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 925),

(6) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (North Kent Marshes) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 918),

(7) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (North Peak) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 922),

(8) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Pennine Dales) Designation (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 930),

(9) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Somerset Levels and Moors) Designation (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 932),

(10) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 931),

(11) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Wessex Downs) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 924),

(12) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South West Peak) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 926),

(13) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Suffolk River Valleys) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 920),

(14) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Test Valley) Designation (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 919),

(15) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (The Broads) Designation (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 929), and

(16) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (West Penwith) Designation (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 933),
dated 24th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

3 National Health Service, -(1) Dorset Ambulance National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 896), dated 23rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley]; and

(2) Swansea National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 945), dated 24th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

4 Pensions, -(1) Local Government Superannuation (Greater Manchester Buses North Limited) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 963), dated 28th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer]; and

(2) Occupational Pension Schemes (Deficiency on Winding Up etc.) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 895), dated 23rd March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

5 Census of Production, — Report on the Census of Production, 1992, on forging, pressing and stamping [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

6 Monopolies and Mergers, — Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply in the UK of ice cream for immediate consumption [by Command] [Cm. 2524] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

7 Public Accounts, — Treasury Minute, dated 29th March 1994, on the Third to Tenth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1993-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2492] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

8 Social Security, — Report by the Occupational Pensions Board on the Occupational Pension Schemes (Deficiency on Winding Up etc.) Regulations 1994, preceded by a statement by the Secretary of State for Social Security [by Command] [Cm. 2531] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

9 Telecommunications, — Report of the Director General of Telecommunications for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 298] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment, — (1) First Special Report from the Employment Committee [The Import and Export of Jobs: The Future for Manufacturing; Government Reply to the First Report of the Committee in Session 1993–94]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 29th March; to be printed [Nos. 325 and 233-v] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Foreign Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 29th March; to be printed [No. 271-vi] [Mr Peter Shore].

3 Statutory Instruments, — Fourteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xv] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

4 Trade and Industry, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 29th March; to be printed [No. 324] [Mr Richard Caborn].

5 Transport, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 29th March; to be printed [No. 323-i] [Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody].

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Business Committee, — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee), the Speaker nominated Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Phillip Oppenheim and Mr Andrew Smith to be members of the Business Committee in respect of the Finance Bill.

[No. 79.]

Wednesday 30th March 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee), — Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

3 Select Committees, — Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Antarctic Bill, — Mr Robert Hicks reported from Standing Committee D, That it had gone through the Antarctic Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 15th April; and to be printed [Bill 85].
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 335].

5 Message from the Lords, — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows: —
   The Lords have agreed to the British Railways (No. 4) Bill, without Amendment.

6 Dangerous Dogs (Amendment) Bill [Lords], — The Dangerous Dogs (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th April and to be printed [Bill 86].

7 Picture Manipulation, — Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require news media to prepare a code of practice to cover the principles by which pictures may be edited, altered or changed using computer techniques and to record clearly when old film is being used and when the person presenting the film was not present during its filming: And that Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Jim Callaghan, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Tom Cox, Mr Tony Lloyd, Mr Clive Soley, Mr Martin Redmond and Mr Don Dixon do prepare and bring it in.
8 Picture Manipulation Bill.—Mr Andrew F. Bennett accordingly presented a Bill to require news media to prepare a code of practice to cover the principles by which pictures may be edited, altered or changed using computer techniques and to record clearly when old film is being used and when the person presenting the film was not present during its filming: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 84].

9 Opposition day [8th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Pension Transfers and the Regulation of the Private Pensions Sector.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the widespread abuse and unscrupulous techniques used to sell private pensions, which have prejudiced individual clients and induced them to leave occupational pension schemes and the State Earnings Related Pension Scheme to invest in pension provision which offers no real prospect of security; notes the evident failure of self-regulation; and, recognising the need for transparency and full disclosure of terms and conditions governing policies, condemns the failure of Her Majesty’s Government to act and calls for effective direct regulation of the pensions and financial services industry—(Mr Donald Dewar);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘welcomes the extension of individual choice of pension provision brought about by the Government’s pension reforms, which has resulted in substantial increases in funded pension provision through both occupational and appropriate private pension schemes; welcomes the Government’s steps to ensure the effective regulation of occupational pensions and to ensure that individuals have adequate information to make informed choices about provision for their retirement; and welcomes the measures being taken by the Securities and Investments Board, with Government support, significantly to improve investor protection’, instead thereof.(Mr Secretary Lilley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question;

Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put: It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Eric Illsley: 254.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 309.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr James Arbuthnot: 299.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Eric Illsley: 190.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the extension of individual choice of pension provision brought about by the Government’s pension reforms, which has resulted in substantial increases in funded pension provision through both occupational and appropriate private pension schemes; welcomes the Government’s steps to ensure the effective regulation of occupational pensions and to ensure that individuals have adequate information to make informed choices about provision for their retirement; and welcomes the measures being taken by the Securities and Investments Board, with Government support, significantly to improve investor protection.

10 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from Eddie and Pauline Khor to be allowed to reside in the United Kingdom outside the immigration rules was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

11 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Eleven o’clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 11 p.m.]
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Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


   (2) Public Telecommunication System Designation (Telecom Securicor Cellular Radio Limited) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 954), and

dated 24th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:


7. Coal Industry, — Three Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by British Coal [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

8. Environment, — Government response to the First Report from the Environment Committee, Session 1993-94, on standard spending assessments [by Command] [Cm. 2494] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

9. Housing (Northern Ireland), — Accounts of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for 1992-93, with the Reports of the Local Government Auditor and the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [by Command] [Cm. 2480] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

10. Monopolies and Mergers, — Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply in the UK of contraceptive sheaths [by Command] [Cm. 2529] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

11. National Audit, — Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on —
   (1) Council tax valuations in England and Wales, and
   (2) HM Customs and Excise: Cost to business of complying with VAT requirements [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 320 and 319] [Clerk of the House].

12. National Savings, — Accounts of the National Savings Bank with regard to —
   (1) investment deposits, and
   (2) ordinary deposits and expenses

for 1992, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 332 and 331] [Clerk of the House].

13. Railways, — Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Railtrack plc [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].
14 Telecommunications,—Licences granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to—
   (1) Comment Cablevision Worcester Limited,
   (2) Telecom Securicor Cellular Radio Limited, and
   (3) Videotron City and Westminster Limited
   under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

15 Transport,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 29th March 1994 on
   borrowing by British Waterways Board [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

16 Treaty Series (No. 12, 1994),—Treaty, done at Maastricht on 7th February 1992, on
   European Union, including the Protocols and Final Act with declarations [by
   Command] [Cm. 2485] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—First Special Report from the Agriculture Committee [Government Reply to
   the First Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94, on Milk Marketing]; to be
   printed [No. 333] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 30th
   March; to be printed [No. 328-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 European Legislation,—Fourteenth Report from the Select Committee on European
   Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-
   xiv] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 30th
   March; to be printed [No. 302-ii] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

5 Procedure,—Fourth Report from the Select Committee on Procedure [Parliamentary
   Scrutiny of Deregulation Orders]; with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken
   before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee
   relating to the Report [No. 238] [Sir Peter Emery].

6 Transport,—Fourth Report from the Transport Committee [Taxis and Private Hire
   Vehicles]; with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to
   be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No.
   239] [Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody].

7 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil
   Service Committee on 30th March; to be printed [No. 236-viii] [Mr John Watts].

8 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 30th
   March; to be printed [Nos. 336-i and -ii] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

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European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European
Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 11141/93, relating to
consumer disputes, and the Presidency report dated 9th March 1994, relating to the
results of the negotiations on the accession of Austria, Sweden, Finland and Norway to
the European Union, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 80.]


The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered
to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents in the parish of Kingskerswell and
   Coffinswell against recent developments in genetic medicine was presented and read; and
   ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
3 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from Mr Tedham, also known as Mr S. L. Islam, for the right to be known by his Muslim name was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

4 Liaison,—Ordered, that the Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee on 17th March be printed [No. 337].

5 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr David Lightbown);

Royal Assent,—The Deputy Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Act, agreed upon by both Houses:


And it being Three o'clock, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Order [4th March] and Resolution [17th March], till Tuesday 12th April.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 31st March 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education,—Education (Individual Pupils' Achievements) (Information) (Wales) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 959), dated 29th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Other Papers:

2 British Council,—Foreign and Commonwealth Office Minute, dated 31st March 1994, on a contingent liability consequent on the loan of works of art [by Command] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

3 Interception of Communications,—Report of the Commissioner on Interception of Communications for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2522] [The Prime Minister].

4 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—

(1) the Lord Chancellor's Department: Court Reporting Contracts, and
(2) the Merseyside Development Corporation: Grand Regatta Columbus and Fanfare for a New World Concert
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 322 and 334] [Clerk of the House].

5 Security Service,—Report of the Security Service Commissioner of 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2523] [The Prime Minister].

6 Statutory Instruments,—Report to the Lord Chancellor and the Speaker from the Statutory Instruments Reference Committee—

That it has been notified in accordance with regulation 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Regulations 1947 that the Commissioners of Customs and Excise have certified, under regulation 6 of the said Regulations, that the printing and sale of the Hydrocarbon Oil (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 361) in accordance with the requirements of section 2(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, is unnecessary, having regard to the brevity of the period for which the instrument will remain in force;

That the Committee is satisfied that the Certificate is justified and has taken no further action in the matter [The Speaker].
Tuesday 12th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, — Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords, — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

   The Lords have agreed to the Race Relations (Remedies) Bill, without Amendment.

   Education Bill [Lords], — The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision about teacher training and related matters; to make provision with respect to the conduct of students’ unions; and for connected purposes: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Education Bill [Lords], — The Education Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 89].

5 Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], — The Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 29th April and to be printed [Bill 88].

6 Newly Qualified Drivers, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require newly qualified drivers to display on the vehicles they are driving an indication that they are newly qualified; and for connected purposes — (Mr David Amess);

   And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business): — It was agreed to.

   Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require newly qualified drivers to display on the vehicles they are driving an indication that they are newly qualified; and for connected purposes: And that Mr David Amess, Mr David Alton, Sir Rhodes Boyson, Mrs Angela Browning, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Iain Duncan-Smith, Mr Bob Dunn, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Toby Jessel, Mrs Angela Knight, Dame Jill Knight and Lady Olga Maitland do prepare and bring it in.

7 Newly Qualified Drivers Bill, — Mr David Amess accordingly presented a Bill to require newly qualified drivers to display on the vehicles they are driving an indication that they are newly qualified; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 22nd April and to be printed [Bill 87].

8 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 28th March, on consideration of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, That the Clause (Racial harassment) be read a second time.

   And the Question being again proposed: — The House resumed the adjourned Debate. Question put.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 247.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 285.

   Another Clause (Powers to stop and search in anticipation of violence)(Mr David Maclean) — brought up, and read the first and second time.

   Amendment (a), proposed to the proposed Clause, in line 50, at the end to insert the words:

   ‘( ) Subsection (1) above shall not come into force until the Secretary of State has laid an order, subject to affirmative resolution of both Houses of Parliament, specifying the conditions to be satisfied for the powers conferred under this section to be exercised, including:

   (a) what may reasonably constitute “a locality”;

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(b) what would constitute a reasonable belief that incidents involving serious violence may take place.—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question put, That the Amendment to the proposed Clause be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 246.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Michael Brown: 304.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Offence of racially inflammatory publication etc. to be arrestable)—(Mr James Arbuthnot)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Law of murder)—(Mr Alan Milburn)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Hutton, Mr Stephen Byers: 260.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Michael Brown: 277.

Another Clause (Firearms offences (penalties))—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr John Spellar: 252.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr James Arbuthnot: 288.

Another Clause (Dogs)—(Mr Elliot Morley)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 248.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr James Arbuthnot: 303.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

9 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

10 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill.—The House again proceeded further to consider the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Another Clause (Digging for wild animals)—(Mr Elliot Morley)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 253.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 302.

Another Clause (Supply and viewing of videos likely to harm children)—(Mr David Alton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Evidence in cases involving interception of communications)—(Mr David Trimble)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Touting)—(Mr Vivian Bendall)—brought up, and read the first time.
Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Prohibition on use of cells from embryos or foetuses)—(Dame Jill Knight)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Extension of Sexual Offences Act 1967 to the Armed Forces and Merchant Navy (No. 2))—(Mr Robert Maclennan)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Extension of definition of rape to cover male rape, etc.)—(Mrs Barbara Roche)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, to be further considered this day.

11 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of the Hillsborough area for a change in the law relating to seating arrangements on school buses was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

12 Adjournment,—Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fifteen minutes to Two o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.45 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 137 (Presentation of command papers):

1 British Virgin Islands,—Report of the Constitutional Commissioners on the British Virgin Islands [Cm. 2527] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

2 Social Security,—Report by the Social Security Advisory Committee on the Income Support (General) Amendment Regulations 1994; with a statement by the Secretary of State for Social Security [Cm. 2537] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

3 Treaty Series (No. 14, 1994),—European Convention, done at Strasbourg on 2nd October 1992, on cinematographic co-production [Cm. 2495] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

4 Treaty Series (No. 15, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Rabat on 14th September 1993 and at Nouakchott on 19th October 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania concerning Certain Commercial Debts (The United Kingdom/Mauritania Debt Agreement No. 5 (1993)) [Cm. 2491] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

5 Treaty Series (No. 16, 1994),—Notes exchanged at London on 1st October 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Italy concerning an extension to the agreement concerning collaboration in the exploitation of the Spallation Neutron Source ISIS for condensed matter research, signed at London on 9th October 1989 [Cm. 2490] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Treaty Series (No. 17, 1994),—Letters exchanged at Ottawa on 5th February and 12th February 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, on behalf of the States of Jersey and the States of Guernsey, and the Government of Canada concerning an Agreement on Social Security [Cm. 2496] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the
Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

6th April 1994

7 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—(1) Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 1994
(S.I., 1994, No. 956),

(2) Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No.
957), and

(3) Gaming Clubs (Hours and Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994
No. 958),
dated 25th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

7th April 1994

8 Food,—Poultry Meat, Farmed Game Bird Meat and Rabbit Meat (Hygiene and Inspection)
Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 1029), dated 7th April 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian
Shephard].

9 Local Government,—Local Government (Committees) (Devon and Cornwall) Regulations
1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 961), dated 28th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

10 National Health Service,—(1) East Berkshire Community Health National Health Service
Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 992),

(2) East Berkshire National Health Service Trust for People with Learning Disabilities
(Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 990),

(3) East Cheshire National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order
1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 986),

(4) East Surrey Hospital and Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust
(Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 993),

(5) Heatherwood and Wexham Park Hospitals’ National Health Service Trust
(Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 991),

(6) North East Essex Mental Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust
Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 988),

(7) North Warwickshire National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property)
Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 987),

(8) Southend Community Care Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust
Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 995),

(9) Southend Health Care Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust
Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 994), and

(10) Two Shires Ambulance National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust
Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 989),
dated 30th March 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8th April 1994

11 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—(1) Gaming (Variation of Monetary Limits) (Scotland)
Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1043), and

(2) Gaming Clubs (Hours and Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 1042),
dated 7th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

12 Clean Air,—Alkali, &c. Works (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1994 (S.R. (N.I.),
1994, No. 104), dated 23rd March 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

13 Crofters, Cottars and Small Landholders,—(1) Crofting Counties Agricultural Grants
(Scotland) Amendment Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1013), and

(2) Crofters etc. Livestock Purchase Loans (Scotland) Revocation Scheme 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 1014),
dated 29th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

14 Education,—Education (Groups of Grant-maintained Schools) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994,
No. 1041), dated 8th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].
15 Social Security,—(1) Housing Benefit (General) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1003), and
(2) Income Support (General) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1004), dated 31st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Tuesday 12th April 1994:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

19 Census,—(1) Parliamentary Constituency Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for (i) the East Midlands, (ii) the West Midlands, and (iii) Yorkshire and Humberside
(2) Postcode Sector Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for Newcastle and the North
(3) Topic Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for Welsh Language—Yr Iaith Gymraeg
(4) Ward and Civil Parish Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for (i) Derbyshire, (ii) Lancashire, (iii) Lincolnshire, (iv) Norfolk, and (v) Northamptonshire, and
(5) Ward and Community Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for (i) Clwyd, (ii) Dyfed, and (iii) Gwynedd
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

20 Census of Production,—Report on the Census of Production, 1992, on the Construction Industry [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

21 Census (Scotland),—Electoral Divisions and Civil Parishes Monitor of the General Register Office Scotland for Western Isles Islands Area [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

22 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—
(1) the National Health Service: Hospital Catering in England, and
(2) the Registers of Scotland: Service to the Public
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 329 and 330] [Clerk of the House].

23 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health—
(1) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Blackpool Wyre and Fylde Community Services National Health Service Trust,
(2) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Bury Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(3) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Canterbury and Thanet Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(4) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Community Health Care Service, North Derbyshire National Health Service Trust,
(5) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Derby City General Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(6) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Dewsbury Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(7) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by East Suffolk Local Health Services National Health Service Trust,
(8) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by North Downs Community Health National Health Service Trust,
(9) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by North Hampshire Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

(10) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Norwich Community Health Partnership National Health Service Trust,

(11) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Phoenix National Health Service Trust,

(12) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Rochdale Health Care National Health Service Trust,

(13) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Royal Bournemouth and Christchurch Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

(14) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by South Manchester University Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

(15) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by South West Durham Mental Health National Health Service Trust,

(16) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Swindon & Marlborough National Health Service Trust,

(17) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Tameside and Glossop Community Health Service National Health Service Trust,

(18) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Walsall National Health Service Trust,

(19) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Westmoreland Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

(20) on 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Wrightington Hospital National Health Service Trust,

(21) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by BHB Community Health Care National Health Service Trust,

(22) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Brighton Health Care National Health Service Trust,

(23) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by East Surrey Hospital and Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,

(24) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Gateshead Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

(25) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Gloucestershire Royal National Health Service Trust,

(26) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Harrogate Health Care National Health Service Trust,

(27) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Hartlepool Community Care National Health Service Trust,

(28) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Hinchingbrooke Health Care National Health Service Trust,

(29) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Mayday Healthcare National Health Service Trust,

(30) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Merton And Sutton Community National Health Service Trust,

(31) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Royal Liverpool University Hospital National Health Service Trust,

(32) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by South Buckinghamshire National Health Service Trust,

(33) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Southampton University Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

(34) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by The Whittington Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

(35) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by West Cumbria Health Care National Health Service Trust, and

(36) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Wiltshire Healthcare National Health Service Trust

[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].
24 Telecommunications,—Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to Insight Communications Guildford Limited under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 12th April; to be printed [No. 233-vi] [Mr Greville Janner].

[No. 82.]

Wednesday 13th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Death of a Member,—The Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of George Robert Cryer, Esquire, Member for Bradford South, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

2 Rotherham Writ,—Ordered, That the Speaker do issue her Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough Constituency of Rotherham, in the room of James Boyce, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr Derek Foster.)

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Finance Bill (Business Committee),—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Business Committee, That it had come to a Resolution in respect of the Finance Bill, which it had directed him to report to the House:

That—

(1) the order in which proceedings on consideration shall be taken shall be new Clauses standing in the name of Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, new Schedules so standing, other new Clauses, other new Schedules, and Amendments to Clause No. 1, Schedule No. 1, Clauses Nos. 2 to 5, Schedule No. 2, Clause No. 6, Schedule No. 3, Clauses Nos. 7 to 9, Schedule No. 4, Clauses Nos. 10 to 14, Schedule No. 5, Clauses Nos. 15 to 40, Schedule No. 6, Clauses Nos. 41 to 64, Schedule No. 7, Clauses Nos. 65 to 77, Schedule No. 8, Clauses Nos. 78 to 81, Schedule No. 9, Clauses Nos. 82 and 83, Schedule No. 10, Clauses Nos. 84 to 91, Schedule No. 11, Clauses Nos. 92 to 102, Schedule No. 12, Clauses Nos. 103 to 112, Schedule No. 13, Clauses Nos. 113 to 135, Schedule No. 14, Clause No. 136, Schedule No. 15, Clauses Nos. 137 to 144, Schedule No. 16, Clauses Nos. 145 to 167, Schedule No. 17, Clauses Nos. 168 to 194, Schedule No. 18, Clauses Nos. 195 to 216, Schedule No. 19, Clauses Nos. 217 to 226, Schedule No. 20, Clauses Nos. 227 to 229, Schedule No. 21, Clauses Nos. 230 to 234, Schedule No. 22, Clauses Nos. 235 to 250, Schedule No. 23, Clause No. 251, Schedule No. 24, Clauses Nos. 252 to 254, Clause No. 255 and Schedule No. 25;

(2) the allotted days which under the Order [1st February] are given to the proceedings on consideration and third reading shall be allotted in the manner shown in the Table set out below and, subject to the provisions of that Order, each part of the proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the third column of that Table.
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Report to lie upon the Table.

6 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, — Mr James Hill reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 91].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 348].

7 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill, — The Order for reading the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 22nd April.

8 Public Enquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill, — The Order for reading the Public Enquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 6th May.

9 Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) Bill, — The Order for reading the Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

10 Fair Treatment for Widowers, — Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to ensure fair treatment for widowers: And that Mr Hartley Booth, Sir John Hannam, Mr Michael Alison, Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr Alan Williams, Mr Michael Bates, Mr Patrick Thompson, Mr Gary Streeter, Mrs Edwina Currie, Mr David Lidington and Mr Malcolm Bruce do prepare and bring it in.

11 Fair Treatment for Widowers Bill, — Mr Hartley Booth accordingly presented a Bill to ensure fair treatment for widowers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 6th May and to be printed [Bill 90].

12 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, — The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Another Clause (Public consumption of alcoholic liquor)—(Mr Bill Walker)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Homosexuality on merchant ships and in the armed forces: Northern Ireland)—(Mr Alan Michael)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of section 170 of the Road Traffic Act 1988)—(Mr Keith Vaz)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Certification of prisons)—(Mr Alan Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Gunnell: 247.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 281.

Another Clause (Cautioning for young offenders)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Roger Godsiff, Mr Gordon McMaster: 247.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Irvine Patnick: 283.

Another Clause (Racially motivated violence (No. 2))—(Sir Ivan Lawrence)—brought up and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Dennis Turner: 254.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Andrew MacKay: 283.

Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 6, at the end, to insert the words

"(7A) It shall be the duty of every local authority, acting either individually or in association with other local authorities,

(a) to secure that they are in a position to comply with any secure training order which may be imposed under this section and

(b) to provide, or to make arrangements with such persons as seem to them to be appropriate, for the provision by those persons of residential and non-residential facilities designed

(i) to avoid the need for children and young persons to be placed in secure accommodation by providing for the supervision, support, education, treatment and training of children and young persons who have been cautioned for or convicted of offences; and

(ii) to ensure the successful rehabilitation into the community of children and young persons who have spent a period in secure accommodation".—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 247.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 292.

Amendments (Nos. 53 to 55, 364, 365, 188, 366 to 370, 56, 296 and 105 to 107) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 19, line 9, after '(1)', to insert the words—

'The provisions of this section shall not apply to an accused—

(a) in respect of the time prior to his being interviewed in the police station; and

(b) unless he has been informed of his right to legal advice from a qualified solicitor, together with an opportunity to consult that solicitor in private.

(1A).—(Mr Tony Blair.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Neil Gerrard: 256.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Sydney Chapman: 283.

Another Amendment (No. 316) proposed to the Bill, in page 19, line 19, after the word 'be' to insert the words 'and provided that such questioning or charging shall have been
tape-recorded in accordance with the provisions of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984'.—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Gordon McMaster: 257.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Sydney Chapman: 286.

Other Amendments (Nos. 208 to 210, 333 to 340, 211 to 215 and 341) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 63) proposed to the Bill, in page 32, to leave out lines 17 and 18 and insert the words—

'(3) This section shall apply to any decision or review of the Master (Taxing Office) made after 25th July 1991', instead thereof.—(Mr David Trimble.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 342 and 37 to 40) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 255) proposed to the Bill, in page 36, line 29, to leave out the words 'are trespassing on land' and insert the words 'have entered land as trespassers', instead thereof.—(Mr John Fraser.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 150, 151, 156, 157, 152 to 155, 158 to 161, 378 and 162 to 170) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 43, line 7, after the word 'he', to insert the word 'intentionally'.—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 43, line 10, to leave out the word 'anything' and insert the words 'any unlawful activity', instead thereof.—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes: Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Neil Gerrard: 244.

Tellers for the Noes: Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 290.

Other Amendments (Nos. 171 to 174) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 33) proposed to the Bill, in page 52, line 13, after the word 'hours', to insert the words 'in non-residential premises or seven working days in residential premises'.—(Mr Robert Maclean.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

And it being Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

13 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr Michael Brown): It was agreed to.

14 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill.—The House again proceeded further to consider the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 134), proposed to the Bill, in page 52, line 42, at the end, to insert the words 'and that any of those persons has caused damage to the land or to property, or used threatening, abusive or insulting words or behaviour towards the occupier, a member of his family, or an employee or agent of his; or that the site is visible to large numbers of persons; or that persons resorting to the site have deposited any substance capable of polluting the land or the environment outside their caravan or similar living accommodation'.—(Sir David Mitchell.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 224) proposed to the Bill, in page 57, line 41, to leave out from the word 'possession' to the word 'for' in line 43.—(Mr John Fraser.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.
Other Amendments (Nos. 182, 131, 183, 132, 84 to 87, 293 to 295 and 371 to 377) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 221) proposed to the Bill, to leave out from the end of line 32 on page 71 to the end of line 37 on page 80. — (Mr John McFall.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes: Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Michael Connarty: 248.
Tellers for the Noes: Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 294.

Other Amendments (Nos. 137 to 146 and 216) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 281) proposed to the Bill, in page 85, line 11, after the word 'discipline', to insert the words 'otherwise than by an act in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute to which the Secretary of State is a party being a Minister falling within section 244(2) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992'. — (Mr Alan Meale.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr Ray Powell: 243.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Andrew MacKay: 290.

Other Amendments (Nos. 217 to 219, 285, 286, 299, 287, 108 to 120, 288, 121, 89, 298, 91, 300, 92 to 96, 289, 97, 98, 290, 99, 100, 291, 348, 301, 101, 102 and 147 to 149) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 35) proposed to the Bill, in page 103, line 19, at the end, to insert the words—

'In Article 3 of the Homosexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 1982 (homosexual acts in private), for “21” in both places where it occurs there is substituted “18”. — (Kate Hoey.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Bottomley, Kate Hoey: 254.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr William Ross, The Reverend Martin Smyth: 141.

Other Amendments (Nos. 343, 42, 189 and 361 to 363) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 126) proposed to the Bill, in page 108, line 35, to leave out from the second word ‘a’ to the end of line 36 and insert the words 'Sporting event for which 6,000 or more tickets are issued for sale', instead thereof. — (Mr Tom Pendry.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 52, 344, 41, 345, 346, 176, 28, 305 and 79) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 80) proposed to the Bill, in page 110, line 32, after the word 'sections', to insert '58, 59'. — (Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Michael Brown: 246.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Clarke, Mr Michael Connarty: 108.
Other Amendments (Nos. 306, 81, 103, 104, 82, 83, 297, 191 to 198, 350, 199, 351, 201, 200, 186, 187, 349, 203 and 202) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 76) proposed to the Bill, in page 143, line 39, to leave out from the word 'below' to the end of line 42.—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 352, 354, 43, 44, 175, 355, 357, 302, 303, 88, 177, 360, 185, 57, 356, 358, 204, 178, 205, 206, 359, 207, 353, 347 and 133) made to the Bill.

Bill further amended, in the Title, line 30, after the word 'prisons', by inserting the words 'to penalise certain uses of germ cells or embryos'.

Title accordingly amended, as follows: A Bill to make further provision with respect to the treatment, and certain services connected with the treatment, of offenders; to amend the law relating to bail and the detention of arrested persons; to amend the law relating to the proceedings of criminal courts, including the law relating to evidence and the law relating to juries, and the law relating to the taxation of expenses and to the collection of fines; to amend the law relating to the publication of reports or pictures relating to proceedings in which children or young persons are concerned; to penalise intimidating or harmful conduct towards witnesses, jurors and others; to make provision for circuit judges to sit in the criminal division of the Court of Appeal; to confer new powers on the police to take samples from or search persons and to make further provision in relation to samples and fingerprints; to create new offences and make further provision in relation to persons unlawfully or without authorisation on land or causing a public nuisance by noise on land or otherwise affecting public order, including offences and further provision in relation to the recovery of possession of land from squatters and to make related amendments and repeals in certain enactments relating to gipsy caravan sites; to create further powers and offences for the prevention of terrorist activities; to amend the law relating to obscenity and pornography and to amend the Video Recordings Act 1984; to make further provision in relation to prisons, the provision of prison services and employment in the prison service; to amend the law relating to the transfer of detainees and the release of prisoners on licence; to extend police powers in other parts of the United Kingdom and in United Kingdom waters; to confer new powers in relation to prisoners and persons bringing articles into prisons; to amend the law relating to homosexual acts; to penalise certain uses of germ cells or embryos; to increase certain penalties; to amend the law relating to extradition and the backing of warrants; to extend the powers of the Serious Fraud Office; to penalise the sale of tickets for designated football matches by unauthorised persons; to authorise the payment of grants for expenditure on measures for the prevention of crime or reduction of the fear of crime or for security at party conferences; and for purposes connected with those purposes.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Derek Conway: 220.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Neil Gerrard, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 44.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 13th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Defence.—-(1) Draft International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1994, and

(2) draft Visiting Forces and International Headquarters (Application of Law) (Amendment) Order 1994

[by Act][Mr Secretary Rifkind].

2 Education.—Draft Code of Practice on the Identification and Assessment of Special Educational Needs [by Act][Mr Secretary Patten].

[Adjourned at 3.3 a.m.]
Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

4 Education,—(1) Education (Special Educational Needs) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1047), dated 7th April 1994,
(2) Education (Special Educational Needs) (Information) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1048), dated 7th April 1994,
(3) Teachers (Compensation for Redundancy and Premature Retirement) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1059), dated 12th April 1994, and
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

5 Environmental Protection,—Waste Management Licensing Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1056), dated 12th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

6 Food,—Food Labelling (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 960), dated 24th March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

7 Census,—Parliamentary Constituency Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for Wales for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Census of Production,—Report on the Census of Production, 1992, on industrial plant and steel work [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

9 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—
(1) the Ministry of Defence: British Army in Germany—Drawdown of equipment and stores, and
(2) the sale of the Government’s debt in British Telecommunications and the privatised electricity companies
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 344 and 343] [Clerk of the House].

10 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health—
(1) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by East Yorkshire Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(2) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Isle of Wight Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(3) on 28th March 1994 on borrowing by Poole Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(4) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Darlington Memorial Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(5) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Airedale National Health Service Trust,
(6) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Chase Farm Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(7) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Countess of Chester National Health Service Trust,
(8) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Dorset Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(9) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by East Anglian Ambulance National Health Service Trust,
(10) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Epsom Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(11) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Lincoln Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(12) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Rotherham General Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(13) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Scunthorpe Community Health Care National Health Service Trust,
(14) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by South Durham Health Care National Health Service Trust,
(15) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Warrington Community National Health Service Trust, and
(16) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Wigan and Leigh Health Services National Health Service Trust
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


12 Treaty Series (No. 18, 1994), — Agreement, done at London on 18th September 1989, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria concerning the investigation and prosecution of crime and the confiscation of the proceeds of crime [by Command] [Cm. 2497] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

13 Treaty Series (No. 19, 1994), — Notes exchanged at Freetown on 18th October and 1st November 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Sierra Leone concerning certain commercial debts (the United Kingdom/Sierra Leone Debt Agreement No. 5 (1992)) [by Command] [Cm. 2498] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

14 Treaty Series (No. 20, 1994), — Agreement, done at Brussels on 29th May 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf between the two countries with exchange of letters [by Command] [Cm. 2499] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 13th April; to be printed [No. 347-i] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 13th April; to be printed [No. 256-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Education, — First Report from the Education Committee [A Common Funding Formula for Grant-Maintained Schools], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 255] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

4 Environment, — (1) Second Special Report from the Environment Committee [Replies to the Fourth Report (Session 1992-93) on Energy Efficiency in Buildings]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 13th April; to be printed [Nos. 349 and 346-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

5 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 13th April to be printed [Nos. 345-i] [Mr James Pawsey].

6 Science and Technology, — First Report from the Science and Technology Committee [The Routes through which the Science Base is Translated into Innovative and Competitive Technology], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 74] [Sir Giles Shaw].

7 Trade and Industry, — Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee; to be printed [No. 41-I] [Mr Richard Caborn].

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 13th April; to be printed [Nos. 338 and 236-ix] [Mr John Watts].
MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 13th April 1994

Chairmen of Standing Committees.—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 4311/94, relating to the European Court of Auditor's Special Report No. 8/93 on the common organisation of the market in raw tobacco.

[No. 83.]

Thursday 14th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 University of London Bill,—The University of London Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

2 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 21st April.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

4 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

5 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

6 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—Ordered, That the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be considered on Friday 6th May.

7 European Parliamentary Elections (Gibraltar) Bill,—The Order for reading the European Parliamentary Elections (Gibraltar) Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 20th May.

8 Opposition day [9th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Family Policy,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, in this the International Year of the Family, condemns the failure of the Conservative Government to bring forward policies which give real and lasting support and encouragement to families; notes with alarm the damage to family life resulting from Government policies over the last 15 years which have produced substantial high levels of long-term unemployment, undermined health, education and housing services, increased the tax burden on ordinary families despite Government promises to the contrary, widened the gap between rich and poor, contributed to the significant increase in the incidence of marital breakdown, and threatened family security as a result of soaring crime rates; and calls on the Government to develop as a matter of urgency a comprehensive family policy which invests in training and job creation, extends welfare services, particularly pre-school provision, and meets the targets of the International Year of the Family and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child—(Joan Lestor);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'welcomes the International Year of the Family and urges the Government to continue to pursue policies which ensure that the family remains the cornerstone of society; recognises that what families most want is independence, opportunity and choice; and congratulates the Government on its economic and social policies which have led to dramatic increases in living standards and health, rewarded enterprise and endeavour and given families greater power over their own lives; welcomes practical measures such as the childcare disregard announced in the Budget; and believes that the best way to support families is to assert the authority and
responsibility of the family itself while providing help for families where it is most needed," instead thereof. — (Mrs Secretary Bottomley.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes Mr John Spellar, Mr Eric Illsley: 225.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 290.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the International Year of the Family and urges the Government to continue to pursue policies which ensure that the family remains the cornerstone of society; recognises that what families most want is independence, opportunity and choice and congratulates the Government on its economic and social policies which have led to dramatic increases in living standards and health, rewarded enterprise and endeavour and given families greater power over their own lives; welcomes practical measures such as the childcare disregard announced in the Budget; and believes that the best way to support families is to assert the authority and responsibility of the family itself while providing help for families where it is most needed.

9 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Adjourned at 10.44 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 14th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Electricity,—Electricity (Class Exemptions from Requirement for a Licence) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1070), dated 13th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

2 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—(1) Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1061), dated 12th April 1994,

(2) Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1049), dated 8th April 1994,

(3) Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.1015), dated 31st March 1994,

(4) Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.1050), dated 8th April 1994,

(5) Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.1019), dated 31st March 1994,

(6) Legal Aid in Contempt of Court Proceedings (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.1016), dated 31st March 1994,

(7) Legal Aid in Contempt of Court Proceedings (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.1018), dated 31st March 1994, and

(8) Legal Aid (Scotland) (Children) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.1017), dated 31st March 1994

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Telecommunications,—(1) Public Telecommunications System Designation (Insight Communications Cardiff Limited) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No.1007), and

Other Papers:

4 Census,—Report of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for England Regional Health Authorities—Supplement to parts 1 and 2 (Tables 15, 16 and 96) for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health—

   (1) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Ashford Hospital National Health Service Trust,

   (2) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Blackburn Hyndburn and Ribble Valley Healthcare National Health Service Trust,

   (3) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Cleveland Ambulance National Health Service Trust,

   (4) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Guild Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,

   (5) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Hastings and Rother National Health Service Trust,

   (6) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Mid Cheshire Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

   (7) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by West Dorset General Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

   (8) on 29th March 1994 on borrowing by Wirral Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust,

   (9) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Glenfield Hospital National Health Service Trust,

   (10) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Lincolnshire Ambulance and Health Transport Service National Health Service Trust,

   (11) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Milton Keynes Community Health National Health Service Trust,

   (12) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Pontefract Hospitals National Health Service Trust,

   (13) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Portsmouth Community Health Care National Health Service Trust,

   (14) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Queen Victoria Hospital National Health Service Trust,

   (15) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Southampton Community Health Services National Health Service Trust, and

   (16) on 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Wakefield and Pontefract Community Health National Health Service Trust

   [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 Telecommunications,—Licences granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to—

   (1) Insight Communications Cardiff Limited, and

   (2) NORWEB plc

under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 14th April; to be printed [No. 271-vii] [Mr Peter Shore].

2 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 14th April; to be printed [No. 289-iv] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].
The House met at half-past Nine o'clock

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill,—The House according to Order, proceeded to consider the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Extension of strict liability for oil pollution by ships)—(Mr David Harris)—brought up, read a first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Marine Pollution Incident Control Manager)—(Mr Piers Merchant)—brought up, and read a first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Extension of rights of Fund by subrogation)—(Joan Walley)—brought up, read a first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Amendment (No. 4) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Extension of strict liability for oil pollution by ships)—(Mr David Harris)—brought up, read a first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Other Amendments (Nos. 2, 8, 3 and 9) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

3 Antarctic Bill,—The House according to Order, proceeded to consider the Antarctic Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 4) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

4 Parliamentary Commissioner Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Extension of jurisdiction).

Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 1, to leave out from the end of line 24 to the end of line 6 on page 2.—(Mr James Clappison.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 and 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Andrew MacKay reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

5 Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 11th February, That the Building Conversion and Energy Conservation Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—

The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

6 Regulation of Political Funding Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Regulation of Political Funding Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 22nd April.

7 Marriage (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 22nd April.
8 Hedgerows Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hedgerows Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 22nd April.

9 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the debate be resumed on Friday 22nd April.

10 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(1) at the sitting on Monday 18th April put the Question on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Gummer relating to Local Government not later than one and a half hours after it has been entered upon; and

(2) at the sitting on Monday 25th April—

(i) put the Question on the Motion in the name of Sir John Cope relating to Customs and Excise not later than one and a half hours after it has been entered upon; and

(ii) put the Question on the Motion in the name of Mr William Waldegrave relating to Government Trading Funds not later than Ten o'clock;

and the first such Motion may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.-(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

11 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.-(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 18th April.

[Adjourned at 2.55 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Friday 15th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

2 Biological Standards,—Accounts of the National Biological Standards Board for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 350] [Clerk of the House].

3 Commonwealth Scholarship Commission,—Report of the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom for the period 1st October 1992 to 30th September 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

4 Egypt (No. 1, 1994),—Agreement, done at Cairo on 29th November 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt on the transfer of prisoners [by Command] [Cm. 2532] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

5 European Communities,—Paper, entitled Developments in the European Community, July-December 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2525] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Judicature (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of the County Courts in Northern Ireland for 1991-92, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 351] [Clerk of the House].

7 Latvia (No. 1, 1994),—Agreement, done at London on 6th December 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Latvia on international road transport [by Command] [Cm. 2526] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 Miscellaneous (No. 10, 1994),—Document, done at Vienna on 5th February 1993, of the participating States of the concluding act of the Negotiation on Personnel Strength of Conventional Armed Forces in Europe done at Helsinki on 10th July 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 2521] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 Treaty Series (No. 21, 1994),—Document, done at Vienna on 5th February 1993, of the State Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe done at Paris on 19th November 1990 [by Command] [Cm. 2520] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
Monday 18th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1. Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2. Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3. Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
   Consolidation, &c., Bills.—The Lords communicate that they have appointed a Committee to join with a Committee of this House as the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills; that they have ordered that the Committee have power to agree with the Committee of the Commons in the appointment of a Chairman; and they propose that the Joint Committee do meet on Wednesday at half-past Four o'clock in Committee Room 4B.

4. Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill,—The Order for reading the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill a second time on Friday 20th May was read and discharged.
   Bill to be read a second time on Friday 24th June.

5. Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) Amendment (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Michael Clapham, supported by Mr Eric Clarke, Mr Eric Elles, Mr Mike O'Brien, Mr Terry Patchett, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Kevin Hughes, Mr Ted Rowlands, Mr Alan Meale and Mr Lawrence Cunliffe, presented a Bill to amend the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations to reduce to 10 years the aggregate period of underground work required to qualify for benefits in cases of chronic bronchitis and emphysema; to amend the regulations relating to medical examinations for these diseases; to amend provisions relating to the percentage levels of disablement required to qualify for benefits in respect of these diseases; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 92].

6. Trade Marks Bill [Lords].—The Trade Marks Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

7. Trade Marks Bill [Lords] [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Trade Marks Bill [Lords] [Money];
   Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Trade Marks Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses of the Secretary of State in consequence of the Act.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

8. Trade Marks Bill [Lords] [Ways and Means].—Resolved. That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Trade Marks Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise the charging of fees in respect of applications and registration and other matters under the Act.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

9. Local Government,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Isle of Wight (Structural Change) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 22nd March, be approved—(Mr David Curry);
   The House divided.
   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Derek Conway: 144.
   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Harry Barnes: 10.
   So the Question was agreed to.
   Resolved, That the draft Isle of Wight (Structural Change) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 22nd March, be approved.

10. Adjournment,—Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)
   And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes past Nine o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.16 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Monday 18th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education, — (1) Education (Schools Conducted by Education Associations) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1083),
   (2) Education (Schools Conducted by Education Associations) (Initial Articles of Government) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1085), and
   (3) Education (Special Schools Conducted by Education Associations) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1084),
   dated 13th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

Other Papers:

2 Atomic Energy Authority, — Four Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 12th April 1994 on borrowing by the Atomic Energy Authority [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

3 Electricity, — Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 12th April 1994 on borrowing by Nuclear Electric plc [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

4 Public Petitions, — Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [7th July, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of East London for a study of pollution caused by newspaper printworks in Docklands [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Broadcasting, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Broadcasting Committee on 18th April 1994; to be printed [Nos. 354-i and 355-i] [Mr Tony Newton].

2 Public Accounts, — (1) Eighteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Insolvency Service Executive Agency: Company Director Disqualification];
   (2) Nineteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [HM Customs and Excise: Account Matters]; and
   (3) Twentieth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Housing Corporation: Financial Management of Housing Associations];
   to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 167, 216 and 204] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

Tuesday 19th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, — A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Consolidation &c., Bills, — Ordered, That the Lords Message [yesterday] relating to the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills be now considered.

Lords Message considered accordingly.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House, do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.
4 Water Charges (Amendment) Bill.—Mr Paul Tyler, supported by Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Matthew Taylor, Mr Nick Harvey, Mr Don Foster and Mr Simon Hughes, presented a Bill to amend the Water Act 1989 to prohibit the use by water undertakers of rateable values as a basis for charging from 31st March 1995; to provide for charging by water undertakers in accordance with council tax bands; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 6th May and to be printed [Bill 94].

5 Public Conveniences.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove any discrimination on grounds of gender in the provision of public conveniences and to place a statutory duty on local authorities to provide a minimum level of public conveniences; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Nicholas Winterton, Mrs Ann Winterton, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Peter Viggers, Mr Ian McCartney, Jean Corston, Mrs Mildred Gordon, Mr Andrew Smith, Marjorie Mowlam, Mr Simon Hughes and Ms Liz Lynne do prepare and bring it in.

6 Public Conveniences Bill.—Mr Jon Owen Jones accordingly presented a Bill to remove any discrimination on grounds of gender in the provision of public conveniences and to place a statutory duty on local authorities to provide a minimum level of public conveniences; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 6th May and to be printed [Bill 93].

7 Finance Bill (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee), That the Report [13th April] from the Business Committee be now considered—(Mr Irvine Patnick).—It was agreed to.

And the Question being put forthwith, That this House doth agree with the Committee in its Resolution.—It was agreed to.

8 Finance Bill [1st allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Finance Bill, not amended in the Committee and as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Employees working for persons other than their employers, etc.)—(Mr Stephen Dorrell)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (PAYE regulations: past cases)—(Mr Stephen Dorrell)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Assigned matters: minor corrections)—(Sir John Cope)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

A Schedule (Indexation losses: transitional relief)—(Mr Stephen Dorrell)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Premises for the provision of child care)—(Ms Harriet Harman)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Alan Meale: 259.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr James Arbuthnot: 291.

Another Clause (Child care vouchers)—(Mr A. J. Beith)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Simon Hughes: 22.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Michael Brown: 293.

Another Clause (Joint ventures for infrastructure investment between public and private sectors)—(Mr Alistair Darling)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 260.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 297.

And it being after Eleven o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned, pursuant to Order [1st February] and Resolution [this day].

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Committee and as amended in the Standing Committee, be further considered to-morrow.
9 Employment.—Ordered, That Mr Andrew Robathan be discharged from the Employment Committee and Mr David Nicholson be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

10 Agriculture.—Ordered, That Mr Martyn Jones be discharged from the Agriculture Committee and Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

11 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-nine minutes to Twelve o’clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.31 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 19th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 National Health Service,—(1) Ashford Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1053), and

(2) United Leeds Teaching Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1054),

dated 12th April 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 Police,—Ministry of Defence Police (Police Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1102), dated 12th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

3 Telecommunications,—Public Telecommunications System Designation (United Artists Communications (London South) PLC) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1072), dated 14th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

4 Water Resources,—Surface Waters (River Ecosystem) (Classification) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1057), dated 12th April [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other Papers:

5 Coal,—Department of Trade and Industry minute concerning a contingent liability consequent upon the involvement of the British Coal Corporation in the providing of information in connection with privatisation [by Command] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

6 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors,—Account of the Welsh National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 310] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

7 Telecommunications,—Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to United Artists Communications (London South) PLC under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 19th April; to be printed [No. 233-vii] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 19th April; to be printed [No. 288-iii] [Mrs Marion Roe].

3 Members’ Interests,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Members’ Interests on 19th April; to be printed [No. 353-i] [Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith].

4 Statutory Instruments,—Fifteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xvi] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].
Wednesday 20th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Consolidation, &c., Bills, — Mr Peter Luff reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Vehicle Excise and Registration Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That it had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 20th April.

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 360-I].

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 360-II].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 360-II].

3 Select Committees, — Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 European Standing Committee A, — Mr Nicholas Winterton reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution: That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4311/94, relating to European Court of Auditors Special Report No. 8/93 on the common organisation of the market in raw tobacco; and strongly supports the Government's policy to continue to press for further reform of the tobacco regime and for appropriate measures to be taken to prevent fraud.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

5 Freedom to Roam (Access to Countryside) Bill, — The Order for reading the Freedom to Roam (Access to Countryside) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 6th May.

6 Regulators of Privatised Utilities, — Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform the accountability and other objectives of the privatised utility regulators: And that Mr Peter Hain, Mr Nick Ainger, Mr Roger Berry, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr Michael Connarty, Jean Corston, Mr John Denham, Mr Neil Gerrard, Kate Hoey, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Rhodri Morgan and Mr Ken Purchase do prepare and bring it in.

7 Regulators of Privatised Utilities Bill, — Mr Peter Hain accordingly presented a Bill to reform the accountability and other objectives of the privatised utility regulators: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th June and to be printed [Bill 95].

8 Finance Bill [2nd allotted day], — The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Finance Bill, not amended in the Committee and as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 27, 26, 31 to 33, 28 to 30, 36, 37, 34 and 38) made to the Bill.

Amendment (No. 43) proposed to the Bill, in page 52, line 35, to leave out from the beginning to the end of line 44 on page 53 and insert the words 'A taxable insurance contract is any insurance contract that may be prescribed', instead thereof. — (Mr Alistair Darling.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 40 to 42, 2 and 44) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 115, line 48, at the end, to insert the words—

'(10) Before the Treasury appoints a day under subsection (9) above—

(a) the Treasury and the Board of Inland Revenue will consult such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests substantially affected by sections 737A to 737C; and
(b) the consultation required by (a) above shall take into account the matters specified in subsection (11) below.

(11) The matters specified for the purposes of subsection (10) above are—

(a) the amount of taxation that would not be recoverable were no day to be appointed under subsection (9) above; and

(b) the burden (including compliance) for taxpayers and others affected by sections 737A to 737C.

—(Mr Nigel Forman.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 3 to 12, 14 to 25, 13 and 35) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 305.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Eric Illsley: 260.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

9 Social Security,—Resolved, That the draft Maternity Allowance and Statutory Maternity Pay Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 24th March, be approved.—(Mr William Hague.)

10 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for legislation to require rear seatbelts in school transport was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

11 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Dr Brian Bransom Griffiths for reform in the conditions and treatment of remand prisoners was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

12 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

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And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Wednesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fifteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.15 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 20th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Northern Ireland,—Draft Northern Ireland (Emergency and Prevention of Terrorism Provisions) (Continuance) Order 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Housing (Scotland),—Secure Tenants (Right to Repair) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1046), dated 6th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Radio) (Fishing Vessels) (Amendment) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1104), dated 19th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


6 Telecommunications,—Public Telecommunications System Designation (NYNEX CableComms Wessex) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1071), dated 14th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
Other Papers:

7 Census, — Parliamentary Constituency Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—
   (1) the South East—Greater London, and
   (2) the South East—Remainder: Counties north of the Thames
   for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Public Petitions, — Observations by—
   (1) the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland on the Petition [22nd October, in the last
       Session of Parliament] from residents of Bangor, County Down, against the closure of the
       Banks Residential Home, and
   (2) the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [26th January] from citizens
       of Coventry against V.A.T. on domestic fuel
       [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Telecommunications, — Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to
   NYNEX CableComms Wessex under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by
   Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

10 Treaty Series (No. 22, 1994), — Notes exchanged at London on 10th December 1993 between
    the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the
    Government of Australia concerning the former United Kingdom nuclear test and
    experimental programme sites at Maralinga, the Monte Belo Islands and Emu Field [by
    Command] [Cm. 2533] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 Treaty Series (No. 23, 1994), — Amendment, done at Geneva on 15th and 16th October 1992,
    to annex 6 of the Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under
    cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) done at Geneva on 14th November 1975 [by
    Command] [Cm. 2534] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

12 United States (No. 4, 1994), — Treaty, done at London on 5th November 1993, between
    the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the
    Government of the United States of America on the delimitation in the Caribbean of a
    maritime boundary relating to Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands and the British Virgin
    Islands [by Command] [Cm. 2536] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Accommodation and Works, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Accommodation and
   Works Committee on 20th April, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;
   to be printed [No. 362-i] [Mr Ray Powell].

2 Agriculture, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 20th April; to
   be printed [No. 347-ii] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

3 Defence, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 20th April; to
   be printed [No. 270-ii] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

4 Education, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 20th April; to
   be printed [No. 89-iii] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

5 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 20th
   April; to be printed [No. 359-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

6 European Legislation, — Fifteenth Report from the Select Committee on European
   Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xv]
   [Mr Jimmy Hood].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the
   Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 20th April;
   to be printed [No. 345-ii] [Mr James Prowse].

8 Public Accounts, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts
   on 20th April; to be printed [No. 359-ii] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

9 Trade and Industry, — (1) Second Report from the Trade and Industry Committee
   [Competitiveness of UK Manufacturing Industry]; to be printed, with the Minutes of
   Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 41-1]; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee
   [Mr Richard Caborn].
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European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), Addendum II, dated 31st March 1994, to the Presidency Report, dated 9th March 1994, relating to the results of the negotiations on the accession of Austria, Sweden, Finland and Norway to the European Union, and European Community Document No. 5074/94, relating to energy and economic and social cohesion, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 88.]

Thursday 21st April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 28th April.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix n.

3 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

4 County Council of Humberside (A16—Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 (Petition of General Objection),—Mr Andrew Mackinlay reported from the Joint Committee to which the Petition of General Objection of Residents of Highfield Avenue and Peakesfield Avenue, Grimsby, against the County Council of Humberside (A16—Peakes Parkway) Compulsory Purchase Order 1990 stood referred, pursuant to section 4 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945; That it had considered the said Petition; and had made a Special Report; and had directed him to report the Order, without Amendment, to the House, together with the Special Report and the Minutes of Evidence taken before it.

Order, Report and Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Report and Minutes of Evidence to be printed [No. 399].

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Bill, without Amendment.

State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 and the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984 in relation to the provision, control and management of state hospitals in Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

7 State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords],—The State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 29th April and to be printed [Bill 97].

8 Newly Qualified Drivers Bill,—The Order for reading the Newly Qualified Drivers Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 6th May.
9 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill.—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, That it had gone through the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to make provision with respect to local government and the functions of local authorities; to make amendments in relation to local government finance, local authority accounts and the records of local authorities; to establish a Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority for the purposes of the Transport Act 1968; to provide for the establishment of new water and sewerage authorities; to provide for the establishment of a council to represent the interests of customers and potential customers of those new authorities; to provide for the vesting in those new authorities of the property, rights and liabilities of the Central Scotland Water Development Board and of such property, rights and liabilities of regional and islands councils as those councils have as water authorities, as providers of sewerage and in relation to dealing with the contents of sewers; to provide for the dissolution of that Board; to cancel certain obligations to contribute towards expenses which have been incurred by local authorities in making provision for sewerage or disposal of sewage in rural localities; to create an office of Principal Reporter and transfer to him the functions of reporters to children's hearings; to establish a body to facilitate the performance by the Principal Reporter of his functions; to amend the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 in relation to reports made with a view to and for the purposes of children's hearings; to transfer to local authorities responsibility for fixing and reviewing polling districts and polling places in Parliamentary elections; to amend section 21 of the Self-Governing Schools etc. (Scotland) Act 1989; to amend the law relating to roads and the placing of traffic signs on roads; to make amendments in relation to valuation and rating; to abolish the Scottish Valuation Advisory Council; to empower the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority to guarantee certain obligations; to empower local authorities to make grants to ethnic minorities; to confer on local authorities the function of promoting economic development; to provide for the establishment of area tourist boards; to make amendments in relation to lieutenancies; all as respects Scotland; and for connected purposes.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, was negatived.

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'strongly supports the Government's transport policies which are providing more efficient and effective delivery for all users, in particular through the programme of privatisation and liberalisation in transport which allows the market to provide the transport services users want rather than the services which central planners dictate they should have; believes that the Government's rail reforms will build on the improvements in passenger service quality already achieved under the Citizen's Charter and offer the best opportunity to transfer freight from road to rail; noting the increased levels of public investment in rail, road and London Transport infrastructure, welcomes also the innovative means of financing new transport infrastructure developed in the Private Finance Initiative; supports the initiatives taken by the Government in the European Union to deal with sub-standard shipping; and applauds the Government's drive to liberalise aviation in the European Third Aviation Package and elsewhere,' instead thereof. (Mr Secretary MacGregor.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question; the House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Spellar: 243.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 292.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments)— It was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House strongly supports the Government's transport policies which are providing more efficient and effective delivery for all users, in particular through the programme of privatisation and liberalisation in transport which allows the market to provide the transport services users want rather than the services which central planners dictate they should have; believes that the Government's rail reforms will build...
on the improvements in passenger service quality already achieved under the Citizen's Charter and offer the best opportunity to transfer freight from road to rail; noting the increased levels of public investment in rail, road and London Transport infrastructure, welcomes also the innovative means of financing new transport infrastructure developed in the Private Finance Initiative; supports the initiatives taken by the Government in the European Union to deal with sub-standard shipping; and applauds the Government's drive to liberalise aviation in the European Third Aviation Package and elsewhere.

11 Procedure,—Ordered, That Mr Raymond S. Robertson be discharged from the Select Committee on Procedure and Cheryl Gillan be added to the Committee.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

12 Members' Interests,—Ordered, That Mr Piara S. Khabra be added to the Select Committee on Members' Interests.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

13 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Lancashire for the restoration of the county of Lancashire was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Chard, Somerset, for the protection of hedgerows was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

15 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fifteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.45 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 21st April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Coal Industry,—Draft Coal Industry (Restructuring Grants) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education (Scotland),—Academic Awards and Distinctions (The Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama) (Scotland) Order of Council 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1125), dated 21st April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

3 National Health Service,—Westcountry Ambulance Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1086), dated 14th April 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

4 Pensions,—Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1062), dated 12th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].


Other Papers:

6 Airports,—Directions by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 30 (3) of the Airports Act 1986 concerning technical specifications for the procurement of air traffic management equipment and systems to Highlands and Islands Airports Limited [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 21st April; to be printed [No. 288-iv] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 21st April; to be printed [No. 289-v] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].
3 Scottish Affairs.—(1) First Report from the Scottish Affairs Committee [Drug Abuse in Scotland], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 62];

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 20th April, to be printed [No. 230-vi]; and

(3) Memoranda laid before the Scottish Affairs Committee [Mr William McKelvey].


(2) Third Special Report from the Transport Committee [Government Observations on the Second Report of the Committee (Privatisation and Deregulation of Department of Transport Agency Work)];

to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [No. 363 and 364] [Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody].

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1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the Trade Marks Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees) the Speaker appointed Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody and Mr James Hill Chairmen of Standing Committee B in respect of the Trade Marks Bill [Lords].

[No. 89.]

Friday 22nd April 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Energy Conservation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Energy Conservation Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Inspection of plans etc.)—(Mr Tony Baldry)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

Mr A. J. Beith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Cynog Dafis, Mr Nigel Jones: 67.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jacques Arnold, Mr Oliver Heald: 3.

Whereupon the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order No. 36 (Majority for closure or for proposal of question).

The Clause was read a second time and added to the Bill.

And it being half-past Two o’clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Bill to be further considered on Friday 13th May.

3 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 10th June.
4 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th May.

5 Marriage (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th May.

6 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 6th May.

7 Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) Amendment (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th May.

APPENDIX
Friday 22nd April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—Integrated Administration and Control System (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1134), dated 21st April 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

2 Social Security,—Social Security (Sickness and Invalidity Benefit and Severe Disablement Allowance) Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1101), dated 18th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

3 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Defence: Major Projects Report 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 356] [Clerk of the House].

4 Public Libraries and Museums,—Report by the Secretary of State for National Heritage on library and information matters during 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 339] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

5 Treaty Series (No. 24, 1994),—Agreement, done at Dubai on 8th December 1992, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United Arab Emirates for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cm. 2535] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Treaty Series (No. 25, 1994),—Agreement, done at Bucharest on 22nd February 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Romania on the establishment and activities of cultural centres [by Command] [Cm. 2538] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Education and Upbringing,—Resolved, That this House, recognising one generation's responsibility for the next and the critical importance of young people's development to a stable, healthy and well-ordered society, calls on the Government to continue to encourage a wide diversity of choice in schooling, greater priority for the needs of children within the family and resistance to harmful influences to which they are exposed in the media and elsewhere.—(Sir Michael Neubert.)

4 Customs and Excise,—Resolved, That the Travellers' Allowances Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 955), a copy of which was laid before this House on 29th March, be approved.—(Sir John Cope.)

5 Government Trading Funds,—Resolved, That the draft HMSO Trading Fund (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 13th April, be approved.—(Mr David Davis.)

6 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Ordered, That Mr Richard Tracey be discharged from the Select Committee to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords as the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills and Mr Michael Bates be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

7 Employment,—Ordered, That Ms Angela Eagle be added to the Employment Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

8 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes past Eight o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 8.9 p.m.]
Tuesday 26th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, – Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, – Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords, – A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords], – The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision for the reconstitution and validation of the registers of common land and of town or village greens maintained under the Commons Registration Act 1965 for the County of East Sussex; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords], – The Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

5 Insolvency, – Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make the holder of a floating charge liable for the fees of any administrative receiver appointed by him, such fees to be recoverable by the chargeholder from the assets of the debtor company, the debt ranking pari passu with unsecured creditors; to introduce a lien system into contract law so that contractors, sub-contractors and suppliers in the construction and building industry can register a lien against an employer’s interest in the land or property, ensuring that, in the case of the employer failing, such contractors, sub-contractors and suppliers are repaid before any floating charge on the development project; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Julian Brazier, Sir Donald Thompson, Sir Trevor Skeet, Mr Bob Dunn, Mrs Edwina Currie, Mr Andrew Hunter, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr David Martin, Mr James Clappison, Mr John Horam, Dr Robert Spink and Mr Jonathan Evans do prepare and bring it in.

6 Insolvency (No. 3) Bill, – Mr Julian Brazier accordingly presented a Bill to make the holder of a floating charge liable for the fees of any administrative receiver appointed by him, such fees to be recoverable by the chargeholder from the assets of the debtor company, the debt ranking pari passu with unsecured creditors; to introduce a lien system into contract law so that contractors, sub-contractors and suppliers in the construction and building industry can register a lien against an employer’s interest in the land or property, ensuring that, in the case of the employer failing, such contractors, sub-contractors and suppliers are repaid before any floating charge on the development project; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th June and to be printed [Bill 99].

7 Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords], – The Order of the day being read, Reading of the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 290.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr John Cummings: 247.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

8 Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords] [Money]. – Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords] [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise—
(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—
   (a) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown under the Act, and
   (b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so
       provided under any other enactment; and
(2) the payment of any sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr Charles Wardle);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 263.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Dennis Turner: 129.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Police and Magistrates’
Courts Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise—
(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—
   (a) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown under the Act, and
   (b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so
       provided under any other enactment; and
(2) the payment of any sums into the Consolidated Fund.

9 Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from Mark Richard Franchi for representations to be
made concerning the imprisonment of Mustapha Khalifa in the Syrian Arab Republic
was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

10 Adjournment, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do
now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);
And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued
for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put,
puissant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty minutes to Twelve o’clock, till to-
morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.40 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 26th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Other Papers

1 Defence, — Statement on the Defence Estimates 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2550] [Mr
Secretary Rifkind].

2 National Health Service (Scotland), — Statements of Guarantees, given by the Secretary of
State for Scotland on 20th April 1994 on borrowing by—
   (1) the Falkirk and District Royal Infirmary National Health Service Trust,
   (2) the Law Hospitals National Health Service Trust, and
   (3) the Monklands and Bellshill Hospitals National Health Service Trust
       [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Treaty Series (No. 79, 1993), — Third Supplementary List of ratifications, accessions,
withdrawals, etc., for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2544] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 26th April;
to be printed [No. 233-viii] [Mr Greville Janner] and [No. 281-iii] [Mr Ernie Ross].

2 Public Accounts, — (1) Twenty-first Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Sale of
the Scottish Bus Group]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the
Committee relating to the Report [No. 97];
   (2) Twenty-second Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [English Estates:
Disposal of Property]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee
relating to the Report [No. 210]; and
   (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 25th April;
to be printed [No. 368-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

3 Social Security, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 26th
April; to be printed [No. 70-vi] [Mr Frank Field].
4 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Sixteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
(2) Seventh Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;
to be printed [Nos. 19-xvii and 20-vii] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

5 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 26th April; to be printed [No. 27-vii] [Mr John Watts].

[No. 92.]

Wednesday 27th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Crossrail Bill,—Ordered, That the Committee on the Crossrail Bill have leave to visit and inspect the site of the proposed works and areas affected by the proposed works, provided that no evidence shall be taken in the course of such visit and that any party who has made an appearance before the Committee be permitted to attend by his Counsel, Agent or other representative.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Accommodation and Works,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Accommodation and Works Committee (18th November 1993 to 30th March 1994) be printed [Nos. 373-i to -ix].

6 Administration,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Administration Committee (7th December 1993 to 29th March 1994) be printed [Nos. 374-i to -ix].

7 Water Charges (Amendment) Bill,—The Order for reading the Water Charges (Amendment) Bill a second time on Friday 6th May was read and discharged.
Bill withdrawn.

8 Company Accounts (Payments to Creditors),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to ensure the publication of information relating to the payment of company creditors and to encourage prompt settlement; and for connected purposes: and that Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Michael Colvin, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Sir Anthony Durant, Mr Bob Dunn, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Keith Mans, Mr David Evans, Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr John Sykes, Mr David Martin and Mr Simon Burns do prepare and bring it in.

9 Company Accounts (Payments to Creditors) Bill,—Mr Anthony Coombs accordingly presented a Bill to ensure the publication of information relating to the payment of company creditors and to encourage prompt settlement; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 100].

10 Intelligence Services Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.
A Clause (Trade Union Rights (GCHQ))—(Dr John Cunningham)—brought up, and read the first time.
Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Eric Illsley: 222.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 283.

Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 15, to leave out the words 'with particular reference' and insert the words 'and where there is a threat', instead thereof.—(Mr Allan Rogers.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Cummings: 123.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 272.

Another Amendment (No. 15) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 47, to leave out the words 'issued by the Secretary of State under this section'.—(Bridget Prentice.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Eric Illsley: 132.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 271.

Amendment (No. 31) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 22) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, to leave out lines 1 to 13 and insert the words—

'(5) The Committee shall make an annual report on the discharge of their functions and shall lay a copy before each House of Parliament together with a statement as to whether any matter has been excluded from that copy in pursuance of subsection (6) below.

(6) If it appears to the Committee, after consultation with the Director-General of the Security Service, the Chief of the Intelligence Service or the Director of GCHQ, as appropriate, that the publication of any matter in a report would be prejudicial to national security, the Committee shall exclude that matter from the copy of the report as laid before each House of Parliament but shall send a copy of the full report to the Prime Minister without any matters being excluded.

(7) In the event of disagreement between the Committee and the Director-General of the Security Service, the Chief of the Intelligence Service or the Director of GCHQ, as appropriate, as to the matters which should be excluded from the Committee's report, that dispute shall be resolved by the Prime Minister.

(8) Any matters not in the annual report as a result of subsection (6) above shall instead be included in a report by the Committee to the Prime Minister', instead thereof. —(Mr Peter Mandelson.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.
And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

11 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

12 Intelligence Services Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 22) be made.

Question put.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Gordon McMaster: 88.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 267.

Another Amendment (No. 23) proposed to the Bill, in page 10, line 20, after the word 'State', to insert the words—

'7A. The Tribunal shall submit details of every determination made by it, its reasons for the determination and the relevant background papers to the Intelligence and Security Committee'.—(Mr Allan Rogers.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Gordon McMaster: 87.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Derek Conway: 258.

Another Amendment (No. 32) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 216.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Alan Simpson: 10.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.
13 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Timothy Wood);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then six minutes to Twelve o’clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 11.54 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 27th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Animal Health,—Return of expenditure incurred and proceedings taken under the Animal Health Act 1981, and incidence of disease in imported animals for 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

2 Census,—Parliamentary Constituency Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the South East—Remainder: Counties south of the Thames, for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

3 Census of Production,—Reports of the Census of Production, 1992, on—

(1) production and distribution of electricity, and
(2) structural clay products
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

4 Education (Scotland),—Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland on further education in Scotland for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 Law Commissions,—Report of the Law Commission for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 341] [Mr John M. Taylor].

6 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health—

(1) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by Community Health Services Southern Derbyshire National Health Service Trust,
(2) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by Kent And Sussex Weald National Health Service Trust,
(3) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by Leicester Royal Infirmary National Health Service Trust,
(4) on 21st April 1994 on borrowing by North Kent Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
(5) on 21st April 1994 on borrowing by North Tees Health National Health Service Trust,
(6) on 21st April 1994 on borrowing by Northallerton Health Services National Health Service Trust,
(7) on 21st April 1994 on borrowing by Royal Brompton Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(8) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by Royal United Hospital Bath National Health Service Trust,
(9) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by Royal West Sussex National Health Service Trust,
(10) on 21st April 1994 on borrowing by South Cumbria Community And Mental Health National Health Service Trust,
(11) on 21st April 1994 on borrowing by South Tees Acute Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(12) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by St. Helier National Health Service Trust,
(13) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by The George Eliot Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(14) on 21st April 1994 on borrowing by Walsgrave Hospitals National Health Service Trust, and
(15) on 22nd April 1994 on borrowing by Wiltshire Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].
7 National Insurance Fund,—Account of the National Insurance Fund for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 357] [Clerk of the House].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [21st March] from residents of York against VAT on domestic fuel [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Telecommunications,—International Telecommunication Constitution and Convention and related documents done at Geneva on 22nd December 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 2539] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Trade Marks Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr Hugh Bayley, Mr Michael Clapham, Mr Jim Cousins, Mr Paul Flynn, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr David Jamieson, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Patrick McLoughlin, Mr Iain Mills, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Richard Ottaway, Mr Tim Rathbone, Mr Andrew Rowe, Mr John Spellar, Mr John Sykes and Mr Bowen Wells.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—(1) Second Report from the Agriculture Committee [The UK Poultry Industry], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 67]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 347-iii] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 256-ii] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 89-iv] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

4 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 27th April; to be printed [Nos. 328-ii and 359-ii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

5 European Legislation,—Sixteenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xvi] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

6 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 372-i] [Mr David Howell].

7 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 288-v] [Mrs Marion Roe].

8 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 377-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 27th April; to be printed [No. 371-i] [Mr James Pawsey].

10 Public Accounts,—(1) Twenty-third Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Development Board for Rural Wales: Allocation and Sale of Housing and Car Leasing Scheme]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 182];
   (2) Twenty-fourth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Welsh Office Appropriation Accounts, 1992-93]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 257]; and
   (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 27th April; to be printed [No. 375-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

11 Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 230-vii] [Mr William McKelvey].
12 Social Security, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 70-vii] [Mr Frank Field].

13 Trade and Industry, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 285-iii] [Mr Richard Caborn].

14 Transport, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 376-i] [Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody].

15 Treasury and Civil Service, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 27th April; to be printed [No. 236-xi] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 27th April 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee D.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
   (1) Mr Nicholas Winterton and Mr Edward O'Hara Chairmen of Standing Committee D in respect of the Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords]; and
   (2) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 11504/93, relating to weights and dimensions of vehicles.

3 European Standing Committees, In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:
   (1) European Community Document No. 10904/93, relating to two- and three-wheeled vehicles, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 19th April 1994, relating to adjustments of fisheries arrangements for Spain and Portugal, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 25th April 1994, relating to the application of the milk quota scheme in Italy, to European Standing Committee A; and
   (2) European Community Documents Nos. 5475/94, relating to trans-European networks, and 5744/94, relating to voting and candidacy rights in local elections, to European Standing Committee B.


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill, The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th May.

2 Accounts and Papers, Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee), Mr Tony Marlow reported from the Committee on the Crossrail Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

4 Select Committees, Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, Mr Norman Hogg reported from Standing Committee F, That it had gone through the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 98].
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 378].
6 Opposition day [11th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

National Health Service in London.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns the policies of Her Majesty’s Government which are undermining the capacity of London’s health service to care properly for all patients both from London and outside, to provide satisfactory training opportunities for doctors and nurses, to secure reasonable working conditions and job prospects for staff or to make adequate provision for research into improved care for patients and the promotion of good health—(Mr Frank Dobson);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to end of the Question and add the words ‘noting the rapid advance of medical science, population migration from Inner London and the increase in provision of specialist services outside the capital, believes that the National Health Service must respond to these changes; congratulates the first government in 100 years prepared to tackle these issues; believes that the Government’s long-term programme of strategic change is already leading to better services for patients, especially better primary care, and will strengthen centres of excellence in teaching and research and lead to a more sensible use of resources; and condemns Her Majesty’s Opposition for cynically treating the National Health Service in London as a party political battleground regardless of the interests of either staff or patients,’ instead thereof.—(Mrs Secretary Bottomley.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Spellar, Mr John Cummings: 201.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr David Lightbown: 279.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, noting the rapid advance of medical science, population migration from Inner London and the increase in provision of specialist services outside the capital, believes that the National Health Service must respond to these changes; congratulates the first government in 100 years prepared to tackle these issues; believes that the Government’s long-term programme of strategic change is already leading to better services for patients, especially better primary care, and will strengthen centres of excellence in teaching and research and lead to a more sensible use of resources; and condemns Her Majesty’s Opposition for cynically treating the National Health Service in London as a party political battleground regardless of the interests of either staff or patients.

7 Market in Raw Tobacco.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4311/94, relating to European Court of Auditors Special Report No. 8/93 on the common organisation of the market in raw tobacco; and strongly supports the Government’s policy to continue to press for further reform of the tobacco regime and for appropriate measures to be taken to prevent fraud—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

8 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from

(1) members of the British Rabbit Council for a vaccine against viral haemorrhagic disease in rabbits to be made available; and

(2) citizens of the United Kingdom to improve the conditions for horses sent abroad for slaughter

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

9 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Sydney Chapman.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.43 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Thursday 28th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


3 Public Health, — Gipsy Encampments (District of Wychavon) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1189), dated 27th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other Papers:

4 Government Trading Funds, — (1) Accounts of Her Majesty's Stationery Office Trading Fund for 1993, and
   (2) Report and Accounts of the Buying Agency for 1993, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 340 and 321] [Clerk of the House].

5 Monopolies and Mergers, — Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply of residential mortgage valuations in the UK [by Command] [Cm. 2542] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 National Heritage, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 28th April; to be printed [No. 289-vi] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

2 Treasury and Civil Service, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 28th April; to be printed [No. 27-viii] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDUM

Public Bills (Scotland), — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 93 (Public bills relating exclusively to Scotland), the Speaker certified that, in her opinion, the provisions of the State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords] relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 94.]

Friday 29th April 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Message from the Lords, — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

   The Lords have agreed to the Finance Bill, without Amendment.

   Treasure Bill [Lords], — The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision in relation to treasure; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

3 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, — Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, Her Majesty's Ministers should provide sufficient time on the floor of the House before 27th May 1994 to allow all remaining stages of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill to be completed, and that sufficient time be provided before the end of the Session for the consideration of any Amendments to the Bill which may be made by the House of Lords. — (Sir John Hannam.)

4 Former Honourable Members, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House wishes to place on record its appreciation for the lives of Mr Jimmy Boyce, the honourable Member for Rotherham who died on 25th January 1994, Jo Richardson, the honourable Member for Barking who died on 1st February 1994, Mr Ron Leighton, the honourable Member for Newham North East who died on 28th February 1994 and Mr Bob Cryer, the honourable Member for Bradford South who died on 12th April 1994, all of whom were dedicated to the cause of socialism and world peace, an understanding which defined their continuity of purpose and assisted in their approach to their Parliamentary work, where they had a total of 52 accumulated years
of experience, as well as many years of experience gained outside this place in the trade unions and local government which shaped their consciousness and sharpened their sense of determination so that they each in their unique way articulated through the Parliamentary procedure a radical tradition in opposing the evils of unemployment, poverty, deprivation, discrimination and inequality which they considered could only be overcome by a democratic socialist programme of reform to create a society based on freedom, justice, fairness and equality and that in this way their efforts continued to nurture the liberty tree in the way of the Levellers, Tom Paine, the Chartists and the early pioneers of the Labour Party before them—(Mr Michael Clapham);

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

5 Assistance for Local Authority Leaseholders Bill, —The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assistance for Local Authority Leaseholders Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

6 Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], —The Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

7 State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords], —The State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

8 Business of the House, —Ordered, That, at the sitting on which the following business is set down for consideration, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(1) put the Questions on the Motions in the names of Mr Secretary Patten relating to Education, Mr Secretary Rifkind relating to Defence, Mr Secretary MacGregor relating to Merchant Shipping and Mr Secretary Howard relating to Immigration not later than Seven o'clock;

(2) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to aid to the Italian steel industry not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; and

(3) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to equal pay and equal treatment (burden of proof) not later than one and a half hours after their commencement.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

9 European Standing Committees, —Ordered, That European Community Documents Nos. 10166/93 and 11317/93, relating to aid for restructuring the Italian steel industry, and 6703/88, relating to equal pay and equal treatment (burden of proof), shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee B.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

10 Standing Committee B, —Ordered, That, during the proceedings on the Trade Marks Bill [Lords], Standing Committee B have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it shall meet.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

11 Adjournment, —Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Three o'clock, adjourned till Tuesday 3rd May, pursuant to Resolution [17th March].

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Friday 29th April 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

2 Census (Scotland), —Topic Monitor of the General Register Office Scotland on the Gaelic language in Scotland for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 National Audit, —Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on buildings and the environment [by Act]; to be printed [No. 365] [Clerk of the House].

4 National Health Service, —Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Health on 27th April 1994 on borrowing by Dorset Community National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].
Tuesday 3rd May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers. — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees. — A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Public Conveniences Bill. — The Order for reading the Public Conveniences Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

   Bill to be read a second time on Friday 17th June.

4 Treasure Bill [Lords]. — The Treasure Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 103].

5 Royal Assent. — The Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses:

   Finance Act 1994
   Race Relations (Remedies) Act 1994
   Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Act 1994.

6 Employment Protection (Amendment). — Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent discrimination in employment against persons solely on grounds that they are overweight: And that Mr Tony Banks, Alice Mahon, Dawn Primarolo, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Ms Diane Abbott and Mr Harry Cohen do prepare and bring it in.

7 Employment Protection (Amendment) Bill. — Mr Tony Banks accordingly presented a Bill to prevent discrimination in employment against persons solely on grounds that they are overweight: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 10th June and to be printed [Bill 101].

8 Education Bill [Lords]. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Bill [Lords];

   And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

   The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 299.

   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 244.

   So the Question was agreed to.

   The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

9 Education Bill [Lords] [Money]. — Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Education Bill [Lords] [Money];

   Resolved. That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Education Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses of the Secretary of State in consequence of the Act.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

10 Adjournment. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Sydney Chapman);

   And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes past Eleven o’clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 11.5 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Tuesday 3rd May 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Northern Ireland, — (1) Draft Civil Service (Management Functions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994
(2) draft Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, and
(3) draft Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994
[by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education, — Education (Groups of Grant-maintained Schools) (Finance) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1195), dated 27th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].


5 Sheriff Court (Scotland), — (1) Act of Sederunt (Fees of Shorthand Writers in the Sheriff Court) 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1141), and
(2) Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1142), dated 21st April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

6 Wildlife, — (1) Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (Variation of Schedule 4) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1151), and
(2) Wildlife and Countryside (Registration and Ringing of Certain Captive Birds) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1152), dated 25th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other Papers:

7 Census of Production, — Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
(1) builders' carpentry and joinery,
(2) cement, lime and plaster,
(3) manufacture of semi-finished wood products and further processing and treatment of wood,
(4) metal doors, windows, etc.,
(5) miscellaneous wooden articles, and
(6) steel tubes
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

8 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on protecting and managing sites of special scientific interest in England [by Act]; to be printed [No. 379] [Clerk of the House].

9 National Health Service, — Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Wales on—
(1) 30th March 1994 on borrowing by Bridgend and District National Health Service Trust,
(2) 25th March 1994 on borrowing by Glan Clwyd National Health Service Trust,
(3) 15th April 1994 on borrowing by Gwynedd Community Health National Health Service Trust,
(4) 15th April 1994 on borrowing by Mid Glamorgan Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust, and
(5) 25th April 1994 on borrowing by Nevi Hall and District National Health Service Trust
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 3rd May; to be printed [No. 281-iv] [Mr Ernie Ross].

2 Statutory Instruments,—Seventeenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xviii] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

[No. 96.]

Wednesday 4th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Church of Scotland (Properties and Investments) Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Church of Scotland (Properties and Investments): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered on Tuesday 10th May and to be printed [Bill 102].

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 European Standing Committee A,—Dr John G. Blackburn reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 11504/93, relating to weights and dimensions of vehicles; whilst supporting the proposal to consolidate the existing legislation, questions on grounds of subsidiarity the harmonisation of maximum lorry weights for national journeys; and considers that the proposed general weight limit of 44 tonnes for 6-axle vehicles conflicts with Community and United Kingdom policy intended to encourage combined road/rail transport for environmental reasons.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

National Parks Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the establishment of new authorities to carry out functions in relation to National Parks; and to make provision with respect to those authorities and such Parks; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

7 National Parks Bill [Lords],—The National Parks Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 105].

8 Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill,—The Order for reading the Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 13th May.

9 Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill,—The Order for reading the Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 20th May.
10 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill.—The Order for resuming on 10th June the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time, was read and discharged.

Debate to be resumed on Friday 24th June.

11 Trade Descriptions (Amendment),—Ordered. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Trade Descriptions Act 1968 to harmonise liabilities for misdescription of services and of goods; to impose strict liability for misdescription of services; and for connected purposes: And that Mr John Hutton, Ms Diane Abbott, Mr Robert Ainsworth, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr Kevin Hughes, Mr Geoffrey Hoon, Mr Alan Milburn, Mr Peter Mandelson and Ms Janet Anderson do prepare and bring it in.

12 Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill,—Mr John Hutton accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Trade Descriptions Act 1968 to harmonise liabilities for misdescription of services and of goods; to impose strict liability for misdescription of services; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 104].

13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

14 Agriculture,—Ordered, That Mr Andrew Hunter be discharged from the Agriculture Committee and Mr Roger Knappman be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

15 Employment,—Ordered, That Mr Richard Spring be discharged from the Employment Committee and Sir Ralph Howell be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

16 Liaison,—Ordered, That Sir James Kilfedder be added to the Liaison Committee.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

17 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.24 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 4th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Local Government,—(1) Draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994, and

(2) draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Acquisition of Land,—Land Compensation (Additional Development) (Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1187), dated 11th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


Other Papers:

4 Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas,—Report of the Ancient Monuments Board for Scotland for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 358] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 House of Commons Members' Fund,—Accounts of the House of Commons Members' Fund for the period 1st October 1992 to 30th September 1993, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 384] [Clerk of the House].
6 Medical Ethics,—Government Response to the Report of the House of Lords Select Committee on Medical Ethics [by Command] [Cm. 2553] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

7 Military Complaints Procedures (Northern Ireland),,—Report of the Independent Assessor of Military Complaints Procedures in Northern Ireland for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 369] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr Robert Banks, Mr Tony Banks, Mr A. J. Beith, Dr John G. Blackburn, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr Patrick Cormack, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mr Andrew Faulds, Kate Hoey, Mr Alan Howarth, Mr Toby Jessel, Mrs Angela Knight, Mr Patrick McLoughlin, Sir Michael Marshall, Sir Michael Neubert, Mr Bill Olner, Mr Giles Radice and Mr Richard Spring.

2 Standing Committee D,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated twenty-nine Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Jacques Arnold, Mr David Atkinson, Sir Paul Beresford, Mr Paul Boateng, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown, Mr David Congdon, Mr Jim Cunningham, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Michael Fabricant, Mr Bruce George, Mr John Greenway, Glenda Jackson, Mr John McFall, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr David Martin, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Alan Michael, Mr Andrew Miller, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr Mike O'Brien, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr Michael Stephen, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Michael Trend, Mr Charles Wardle and Mr Tony Worthington.

3 Standing Committee E,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated twenty-four Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Education Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr Peter Ainsworth, Mr Spencer Batiste, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr Peter Butler, Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr James Clappison, Mr Bryan Davies, Mr Derek Enright, Mr David Faber, Mr Don Foster, Mr Win Griffiths, Mr John Gunnell, Mr Mike Hall, Mr Oliver Heald, Estelle Morris, Mr James Pawsley, Mr Colin Pickthall, Mr Greg Pope, Mr Graham Riddick, Mr Robin Squire, Mrs Ann Taylor, Mr Dennis Turner and Mr Timothy Wood.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 347-iv] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence,—(1) Second Report from the Defence Committee [Progress of the Trident Programme], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee;

(2) Third Report from the Defence Committee [Progress on the Eurofighter 2000 Programme], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; and

(3) Fourth Report from the Defence Committee [RAF Commitments and Resources], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 297, 222 and 252] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 359-iii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation,—(1) Seventeenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xvii]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on European Legislation on 4th May; to be printed [No. 385-i] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 372-ii] [Mr David Howell].

6 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 388-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].
Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 4th May; to be printed [No. 345-iii] [Mr James Pawsey].

Public Accounts,—(1) Twenty-fifth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Financial Reporting to Parliament: Changes in the Format of Supply Estimates]; to be printed; with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 386]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 4th May; to be printed [No. 387-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

Public Accounts, (1) Twenty-fifth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Financial Reporting to Parliament: Changes in the Format of Supply Estimates]; to be printed; with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 386]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 4th May; to be printed [No. 387-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 383] [Mr William McKelvey].

Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 285-iv] [Mr Richard Caborn].

Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 376-ii] [Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody].

Treasury and Civil Service,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 4th May; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 4th May; to be printed [Nos. 236-xii and 27-ix] [Mr John Watts].

Welsh Affairs,—(1) First Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee [Forestry and Woodlands], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 35];
(2) Memoranda laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee; and
(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 4th May; to be printed [No. 336-vi] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA
Wednesday 4th May 1994

Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—

(1) the Education Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee E;
(2) the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee C; and
(3) the State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords] to the Second Scottish Standing Committee.

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Sir David Knox and Mr Barry Jones Chairmen of Standing Committee E in respect of the Education Bill [Lords]; and
(2) Mr James Hill Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 4187/94, relating to vocational training policy, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by Her Majesty's Treasury on 19th April 1994, relating to the anti-fraud strategy and work programme for 1994, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by Her Majesty's Treasury on 19th April 1994, relating to the fight against fraud in 1993, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.
Thursday 5th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable),—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz:

Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

2 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 12th May.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

4 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Michael Brown);

The Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

5 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes to Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.41 p.m.

APPENDIX
Thursday 5th May 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Education,—Draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education,—(1) Education (Grant-maintained Special Schools) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1231), and

(2) Education (Maintained Special Schools becoming Grant-maintained Special Schools) (Ballot Information) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1232), dated 3rd May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

3 Road Traffic, — Goods Vehicles (Operators' Licences, Qualifications and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1209), dated 25th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

4 Telecommunications,—(1) Public Telecommunication System Designation (Bradford Cable Communications Limited) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1190), dated 12th April 1994, and

(2) Public Telecommunication System Designation (Sprint Holding (UK) Limited) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1202), dated 28th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

5 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—

(1) Aerospace equipment manufacturing and repairing, and

(2) Manufacture of office machinery and data processing equipment [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

6 Census (Scotland),—Monitors of the General Register Office Scotland for—
(1) Electoral Divisions and Civil Parishes in Orkney Islands Area, and
(2) Wards and Civil Parishes in Dumfries and Galloway Region
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 Defence (Reserve Forces).—Orders, dated 22nd March 1994, amending the rates of pay, allowances and pensions of—
(1) the Royal Air Force Reserve, and
(2) the Royal Auxiliary Air Force
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

8 Defence (Royal Air Force).—Order, dated 22nd March 1994, amending the pay, allowances and pensions of the Royal Air Force [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

9 Telecommunications,—Licences granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to—
(1) Bradford Cable Communications Limited, and
(2) Sprint Holding (UK) Limited
under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

MEMORANDUM
Thursday 5th May 1994

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees) the Speaker appointed Sir James Kilfedder Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of the unnumbered Presidency Report and Addendum II, relating to the results of the negotiations on the accession of Austria, Sweden, Finland and Norway to the European Union.

[No. 98.]

Friday 6th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Water Charges (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Paul Tyler, supported by Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Matthew Taylor, Mr Nick Harvey, Mr Don Foster, Mr Simon Hughes and Diana Maddock, presented a Bill to amend the Water Industry Act 1991 to prohibit the use by water undertakers of rateable values as a basis for charging from 31st March 1995; to provide for charging by water undertakers in accordance with council tax bands; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 106].

3 Chiropractors Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Chiropractors Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Death of a chiropractor)—(Mr Richard Spring)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:— Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 18, at the end, to insert the words—
‘(1A) The General Council shall not appoint a person under subsection (1) unless he is a qualified solicitor or is otherwise legally qualified’.—(Mr Richard Spring.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

4 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
A Clause (Liability of employers and principals)—(Lady Olga Maitland)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

Mr Alfred Morris rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Harry Barnes: 60.

Tellers for the Noes, Lady Olga Maitland, Mr Michael Stern: 0.

Whereupon the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order No. 36 (Majority for closure or for proposal of Question).

The Clause was read a second time and added to the Bill.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, to leave out from the beginning of line 8 to the end of line 14 and insert the words—

“‘disabled person’ means a person who—

(a) is blind, deaf or without speech;

(b) suffers from mental disorder of any description; and

(c) is substantially and permanently handicapped by illness, injury, congenital abnormality or such other disability as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State;

and ‘disability’ shall be construed accordingly;”, instead thereof.—(Lady Olga Maitland.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

Mr Alfred Morris rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;

but the Deputy Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question.

Question put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Lady Olga Maitland, Mr Michael Stern: 1.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr John Cummings: 54.

And it being after half-past Two o’clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Bill to be further considered on Friday 20th May.

5 Racial Hatred and Violence Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 11th March, That the Racial Hatred and Violence Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 24th June.

6 Withdrawal of Medical Treatment Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Withdrawal of Medical Treatment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th June.

7 Fair Treatment for Widowers Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fair Treatment for Widowers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th June.

8 Newly Qualified Drivers Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Newly Qualified Drivers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th June.

9 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th June.
10 Marriage (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of
the Marriage (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 20th May.

11 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for
resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the
Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered. That the Debate be resumed on Friday 13th May.

12 National Parks Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the
National Parks Bill [Lords];

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th May.

13 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do
now adjourn—(Mr Michael Brown);

And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having
continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question
put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then sixteen minutes past Three o'clock, till
Monday 9th May.

[Adjourned at 3.16 p.m.

APPENDIX
Friday 6th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Local Government Finance,—Special Grant Report (Metropolitan Railway Grant) [by Act];
to be printed [No. 370] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Lands Tribunal,—Lands Tribunal (Salaries) Order (Northern Ireland) 1994 (S.R.(N.I.),
1994, No. 157), dated 19th April 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

3 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment (No. 2)
Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1233), dated 5th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary
Lang].

4 Road Traffic and Vehicles,—Roads (Speed Limit) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1994
(S.R.(N.I.), 1994, No. 154), dated 18th April 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick
Mayhew].

Other Papers:

5 Insolvency,—Report of the Insolvency Service for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

6 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on National Health
Service day hospitals for elderly people in England [by Act]; to be printed [No. 381]
[Clerk of the House].

7 Probation Board (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of the Probation Board for
Northern Ireland for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General
thereon [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 391] [Clerk of the House].

8 Treaty Series (No. 26, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Yaoundé on 20th July and 3rd November
1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern
Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Cameroon concerning certain
commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Cameroon Debt Agreement No. 2 (1992)) [by
Command] [Cm. 2543] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers. — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

2 Selection. — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Select Committees. — A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

4 Racial Hatred and Violence Bill. — The Order for resuming on Friday 24th June the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 11th March, That the Racial Hatred and Violence Bill be now read a second time, was read and discharged. Debate to be resumed on Friday 1st July.

5 Fair Treatment for Widowers Bill. — The Order for reading the Fair Treatment for Widowers Bill a second time on Friday 24th June was read and discharged.

6 Education. — Resolved, That the draft Code of Practice on the Identification and Assessment of Special Educational Needs, which was laid before this House on 13th April, be approved. (Mr Eric Forth.)

7 Defence. — Resolved, That the draft Visiting Forces and International Headquarters (Application of Law) (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 13th April, be approved. (Mr Jeremy Hanley.)

8 Defence. — Resolved, That the draft International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 13th April, be approved. (Mr Jeremy Hanley.)

9 Merchant Shipping. — Resolved, That the draft Merchant Shipping (Ro-Ro Passenger Ship Survivability) (No. 2) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 28th March, be approved. (Mr Steve Norris.)

10 Immigration. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Immigration (European Economic Area) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 21st March, be approved — (Mr Charles Wardle);

And it being Seven o'clock, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [29th April]: — It was agreed to.

11 Aid to the Italian Steel Industry. — A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 10166/93 and 11317/93, relating to the Italian state iron and steel industry; endorses the Government's decision to support the agreement reached on the package of state aid cases discussed at the Industry Council on 17th December 1993; notes with approval the undertakings secured at the Council regarding the stringent monitoring of approved aids, which will help to ensure that they are not used to disadvantage unaided competitors, the commitment to the strict application of ECSC state aid rules to end subsidisation, the recognition that there will be no further aid to these companies if viability is not achieved, and the early privatisation of most of the companies involved; and endorses this agreement as a useful step towards ending the distortion of state subsidies in the steel industry — (Mr Tim Sainsbury);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 295.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 212.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 10166/93 and 11317/93, relating to the Italian state iron and steel industry; endorses the Government's decision to support the agreement reached on the package of state aid cases discussed at the Industry Council on 17th December 1993; notes with approval the undertakings secured at the Council regarding the stringent monitoring of approved aids,
which will help to ensure that they are not used to disadvantage unaided competitors, the commitment to the strict application of ECSC state aid rules to end subsidisation, the recognition that there will be no further aid to these companies if viability is not achieved, and the early privatisation of most of the companies involved; and endorses this agreement as a useful step towards ending the distortion of state subsidies in the steel industry.

12 Equal Pay and Equal Treatment (Burden of Proof).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 6703/88 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Employment Department on 21st October 1993, relating to the burden of proof in the area of equal pay and equal treatment for women and men; endorses the Government’s view that the draft Directive breaches the principle of subsidiarity and would have a disproportionate impact in the United Kingdom; shares the Government’s view that the proposed Directive is wrong in principle and unnecessary for the proper determination of cases; agrees with the Government that the United Kingdom’s arrangements for deciding complaints of sex discrimination and equal pay are fair to both parties, and take proper account of the problems of evidence and the need to reach fair decisions with due regard to the interests of both parties; and supports the Government’s view that the draft Directive should not be adopted—(Mr Michael Forsyth);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 5, to leave out from the word ‘men’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘refutes the assertion by the Government that the United Kingdom’s arrangements for deciding complaints of sex discrimination and equal pay are fair to both parties; supports the principle of reversing the burden of proof in this area; condemns the pressure, mainly from the UK Government, resulting in the original draft Directive being diluted; is perturbed that the wider definition of indirect discrimination contained within the original draft has been removed and that Article 4 of the new draft introduces the concept of “objective justification” into cases of direct sex discrimination; and calls for the redrafting of the Directive to reflect the proposals outlined in the original version’;—instead thereof. (Mrs Ann Clwyd.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made;
And it being Ten o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

13 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day’s sitting, the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to Equal Pay and Equal Treatment (Burden of Proof) may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

14 Equal Pay and Equal Treatment (Burden of Proof).—The Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made to the Question relating to Equal Pay and Equal Treatment (Burden of Proof):—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, the Speaker put the Questions necessary to dispose of them, pursuant to Order [29th April].

Question put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 232.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 285.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 6703/88 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Employment Department on 21st October 1993, relating to the burden of proof in the area of equal pay and equal treatment for women and men; endorses the Government’s view that the draft Directive breaches the principle of subsidiarity and would have a disproportionate impact in the United Kingdom; shares the Government’s view that the proposed Directive is wrong in principle and unnecessary for the proper determination of cases; agrees with the Government that the United Kingdom’s arrangements for deciding complaints of sex discrimination and equal pay are fair to both parties, and take proper account of the problems of evidence and the need to reach fair decisions with due regard to the interests of both parties; and supports the Government’s view that the draft Directive should not be adopted.
15 Adjournment. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr David Lightbown); And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then three minutes past Eleven o'clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 11.3 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Monday 9th May 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Education,—Draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

2 Transport,—(1) Draft Railway Pensions (Protection and Designation of Schemes) Order 1994, and (2) draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Education,—Education (Special Educational Needs) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1251), dated 5th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

4 National Health Service,—(1) Warrington Community Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1206), and (2) Warrington Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1205), dated 3rd May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


6 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Cambridge on 4th February 1994, amending the statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

7 National Heritage (Scotland),—Review of the National Galleries of Scotland for 1988-90, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

8 Procedure,—Government Response to the Fourth Report of the Procedure Committee, Session 1993-94, on the parliamentary scrutiny of deregulation orders [by Command] [Mr Tony Newton].

9 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [28th February] from residents of Blackpool against a proposed local traffic plan [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

10 Telecommunications,—Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to Telstra (UK) Limited under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Paper withdrawn:

11 Education,—Draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994 [laid 5th May].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr Michael Brown (nominated in respect of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr Derek Conway.
2 Standing Committee D.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr David Atkinson (nominated in respect of the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr Peter Atkinson.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—(1) Twenty-sixth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Movements of Personnel, Equipment and Stores to and from the Gulf], together with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 393]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 9th May; to be printed [No. 394-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 100.]

Tuesday 10th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o' clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Church of Scotland (Properties and Investments) Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Church of Scotland (Properties and Investments) Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and several Papers were withdrawn (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—Mr James Hill reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 20th May; and to be printed [Bill 107].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 398].

5 European Standing Committee B.—Sir James Kilfedder reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution: That the Committee takes note of the Presidency Report and Addendum II on the results of negotiations on the accession of Austria, Finland, Norway and Sweden to the European Union; warmly welcomes the successful conclusion of negotiations with these countries; and looks forward to their accession to the European Union on 1st January 1995.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 Parliamentary Elections Bill,—The Order for reading the Parliamentary Elections Bill a second time on Friday 20th May was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

7 New Member sworn,—Denis MacShane, Esquire, Member for Rotherham, was sworn.

8 Transport,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.
9 Local Government.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

10 Education.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

11 Security Industry (Licensing).—Orderd, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the licensing of the security industry; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Michael Stern, Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Mr Alex Carlile, Sir Jerry Wiggin, Mr Michael Mates, Mr Michael Spicer, Mr Don Foster, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Harold Elletson and Mr Toby Jessel do prepare and bring it in.

12 Security Industry (Licensing) Bill,—Mr Michael Stern accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the licensing of the security industry; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 108].

13 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be considered in the following order, namely, New Clauses, except New Clauses relating to burdens imposed by public bodies and to the duration and expiry of Chapter I of Part I, amendments relating to Clause No. 5, Schedule No. 1, Clauses Nos. 6 to 8, Schedule No. 2, Clauses Nos. 9 and 10, Schedule No. 3, Clause No. 11, Schedules Nos. 4 and 5, Clauses Nos. 12 to 16, Schedule No. 6, Clauses Nos. 17 to 19, Schedule No. 7, Clauses Nos. 20 to 26, Schedule No. 8, Clauses Nos. 27 to 29, Schedule No. 9, Clauses Nos. 30 to 40, Schedule No. 10, Clauses Nos. 41 to 47, Schedule No. 11, Clauses Nos. 48 to 58, Schedule No. 12, New Clauses relating to burdens imposed by public bodies, Clauses Nos. 59 to 66, Schedule No. 13, Clauses Nos. 67 to 71, Schedule No. 14, Clause No. 72, New Schedules, New Clauses relating to the duration and expiry of Chapter I of Part I, amendments relating to Clauses Nos. 1 to 4.---(Mr Derek Conway.)

A Clause (Controls on fund-raising for charitable institutions: exclusion of connected companies)—(Mr Tim Sainsbury)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Betting on Sundays)—(Mr James Paice)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr James Paice, Mr Lawrence Cunliffe: 290.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Donald Anderson, Mr Paul Flynn: 189.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Health and safety)—(Mr Derek Fatchett)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Dennis Turner: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Sydney Chapman: 283.

Another Clause (Handling of redundancies)—(Mr Nigel Griffiths)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Alan Meale: 245.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 276.

Another Clause (Approval of certain markets (No. 3))—(Sir Michael Neubert)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Clause (Change of landlord: secure tenants)—(Mr Peter Thurnham)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

And it being Ten o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

14 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That at this day’s sitting, the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

15 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Clause (Change of landlord: secure tenants) be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 63 to 68, 70, 69, 71 to 78, 83 and 85) made to the Bill.

Amendment (No. 86) proposed to the Bill, in page 19, to leave out lines 25 to 35.—(Mr Phil Gallie.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

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Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Phil Gallie, Mr Jonathan Evans: 55.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bill Walker, Mr John Maxton: 108.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr Nicholas Baker.)

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be further considered this day.

16 Local Government Finance,—Ordered, That the provisions of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 86 (Nomination of standing committees) and Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.) shall apply to the Special Grant Report (Metropolitan Railway Grant) (House of Commons Paper No. 370) as if it were a statutory instrument; and that the said Report be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Nicholas Baker.)

17 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Nicholas Baker.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till One o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1 a.m.]

APPENDIX I
Tuesday 10th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Industrial Tribunals,—(1) Draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor]; and

(2) draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

2 Local Government,—Draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 Transport,—(1) Draft Railway Pensions (Protection and Designation of Schemes) Order 1994, and

(2) draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].
4 Weights and Measures,—(1) Draft Weights and Measures (Cosmetic Products) Order 1994, and

(2) draft Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Order 1994
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

5 Education,—(1) Education (Information as to Provision of Education) (England) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1256), and

(2) Education (Inner London Education Authority) (Property Transfer) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1255),
dated 9th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

6 National Health Service,—Halton General Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1211), dated 3rd May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


8 Transport,—Service Subsidy Agreements (Tendering) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1227), dated 29th April 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


10 Weights and Measures,—(1) Measuring Equipment (Capacity Measures) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1259), and

dated 9th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

11 Environment,—Paper, entitled This Common Inheritance: Third Year Report [by Command] [Cm. 2549] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

12 Food Safety,—Food Safety Act 1990 Code of Practice No. 15: Enforcement of the Food Safety (Fishery Products) Regulations 1992 and associated regulations [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

13 National Health Service (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Scotland on 6th May 1994 on borrowing by Dumfries & Galloway Acute and Maternity National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

14 Telecommunications,—Licence granted by the Secretary for State of Trade and Industry to WORLDCOM INTERNATIONAL, INC under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers withdrawn:


16 Transport,—(1) Draft Railway Pensions (Protection and Designation of Schemes) Order 1994, and

(2) draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994
[laid 9th May].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—(1) Second Special Report from the Employment Committee [The Management of Redundancies: Government Reply to the Second Report of the Committee, Session 1993-94]; to be printed [No. 400] [Mr Greville Janner]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 10th May; to be printed [No. 281-v] [Mr Ernie Ross] and [No. 401] [Mr Greville Janner].
MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 10th May 1994

European Standing Committees.—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 6428/94, relating to the application of the milk quota scheme in Italy, has been referred to European Standing Committee A in place of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 25th April 1994, which was referred on 27th April.

[No. 101.]

Wednesday 11th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.
13 Public Records (Amendment).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the transfer of certain records in the custody of the Registrar General to the Public Records Office; and that Mr David Lidington, Mr David Sumberg, Mr Terry Davis, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Derek Enright, Mr John Whittingdale, Mr Bob Dunn, Mr Peter Ainsworth, Mr Bernard Jenkin and Cheryl Gillan do prepare and bring it in.

14 Public Records (Amendment) Bill.—Mr David Lidington accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the transfer of certain records in the custody of the Registrar General to the Public Records Office: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 109].

15 Opposition Day [12th allotted day: first part].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Europe and the Environment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House recognises that the environment cannot be properly protected by national endeavour alone, acknowledges the importance of Europe-wide action to prevent pollution and improve environmental standards; applauds the work of the European Union and especially of the European Parliament in helping to safeguard the environment here in Britain; notes the lamentable record of Her Majesty’s Government in failing to ensure that agreed standards for drinking water, bathing water, and air quality are achieved; deplores the Government’s consequent attempts to diminish those standards; deprecates the inadequate implementation of provisions for access to environmental information, and of protection for wildlife habitats; recognises the need for further radical improvement in Europe’s environmental work, especially in relation to the Common Agricultural Policy; and believes that Britain should be in the forefront of environmental progress in Europe, rather than lagging constantly behind its European partners.—(Mr Chris Smith);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘recognises that the environment cannot be properly protected by national endeavour alone; acknowledges the importance of Europe-wide action to prevent pollution and improve environmental standards; applauds the work of the European Union and especially of the European Parliament in helping to safeguard the environment here in Britain; welcomes the lead taken by Her Majesty’s Government in ensuring that the European Union plays an effective part in global environmental matters and implements the principle of sustainable development in all its activities; insists that Britain should continue to press for sensible and cost-effective environmental decisions on those matters which are properly the concern of the European Union; welcomes the progressive policies of the United Kingdom in all those other areas where national measures are appropriate; is saddened by the failure of Her Majesty’s Opposition and of the Liberal Democrat Party to support the necessary fiscal measures to reduce energy consumption; highlights their failure to evolve effective policy towards the environment and their desire to remove the United Kingdom’s influence in the European Union by their insistence on majority voting and the abolition of the veto; and regrets the way in which they fail to support the Government’s insistence that in internal matters it is for the United Kingdom Parliament to decide upon the most appropriate ways of reaching sustainable development goals’, instead thereof.(Mr Secretary Gummer.)

And the Question being put, that the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Eric Ilksley: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 298.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, that the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House recognises that the environment cannot be properly protected by national endeavour alone; acknowledges the importance of Europe-wide action to prevent pollution and improve environmental standards, applauds the work of the European Union and especially of the European Parliament in helping to safeguard the environment here in Britain; welcomes the lead taken by Her Majesty’s Government in ensuring that the European Union plays an effective part in global environmental matters and implements the principle of sustainable development in all its activities; insists that Britain should continue to press for sensible and cost-effective environmental...
decisions on those matters which are properly the concern of the European Union; welcomes the progressive policies of the United Kingdom in all those other areas where national measures are appropriate; is saddened by the failure of Her Majesty's Opposition and of the Liberal Democrat Party to support the necessary fiscal measures to reduce energy consumption; highlights their failure to evolve effective policy towards the environment and their desire to remove the United Kingdom's influence in the European Union by their insistence on majority voting and the abolition of the veto; and regrets the way in which they fail to support the Government's insistence that in internal matters it is for the United Kingdom Parliament to decide upon the most appropriate ways of reaching sustainable development goals.

16 Weights and Dimensions of Vehicles.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 11504/93, relating to weights and dimensions of vehicles; whilst supporting the proposal to consolidate the existing legislation, questions on grounds of subsidiarity the harmonisation of maximum lorry weights for national journeys; and considers that the proposed general weight limit of 44 tonnes for 6-axle vehicles conflicts with Community and United Kingdom policy intended to encourage combined road/rail transport for environmental reasons—(Mr Robert G. Hughes):—It was agreed to.

17 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

18 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from—

(1) citizens of the United Kingdom for specialist teaching facilities for ethnic minorities, and

(2) residents of Leicestershire for adequate provision for the elderly

were presented and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

19 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Timothy Wood);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-eight minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.32 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 11th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Environmental Protection, Environmental Protection (Prescribed Processes and Substances Etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1271), dated 10th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

2 National Health Service,—(1) National Health Service (Determination of Districts) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1261),

(2) National Health Service (District Health Authorities) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1260), and

(3) Regional and District Health Authorities (Membership and Procedure) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1262),
dated 10th May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

3 Road Traffic, Motor Vehicles (Type Approval and Approval Marks) (Fees) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1265), dated 9th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:

4 National Health Service (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Scotland on 6th May 1994 on borrowing by Stirling Royal Infirmary National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
5 Treaty Series (No. 1994).—Notes exchanged at Maputo on 13th and 15th December 1993 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mozambique concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Mozambique Debt Agreement No. 4 (1993)) [by Command] [Cm. 2545] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee B. — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr Tim Rathbone and Mr Bowen Wells (nominated in respect of the Trade Marks Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr Bernard Jenkin and Mrs Angela Knight.

2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Brian H. Donohoe, Mr Bill Etherington, Mr Roger Freeman, Mr John Gorst, Sir Anthony Grant, Mr Nick Harvey, Mr Keith Hill, Sir Peter Hordern, Mr Toby Jessel, Mr Michael Jopling, Mr Alan Keen, Mr Tom King, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Terry Lewis, Sir Fergus Montgomery, Mr Colin Pickthall, Mr Bowen Wells and Mr Brian Wilson.

3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994, viz.: Sir Rhodes Boyson, Mr Stephen Byers, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr James Clappison, Mr Derek Enright, Mr Roger Evans, Mr Don Foster, Mildred Gordon, Mr Robert Jackson, Mr Neil Kinnock, Mr Tony Lloyd, Estelle Morris, Sir Wyn Roberts, Mr Michael Spicer, Mr Robin Squire, Mr Ian Taylor, Mr Peter Temple-Morris and Mr Timothy Wood.

4 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Robert Ainsworth, Sir Thomas Arnold, Mr David Ashby, Mr Kenneth Baker, Mr John Battle, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Clive Betts, Sir Marcus Fox, Mr Douglas French, Mr Tristan Garel-Jones, Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes, Mrs Teresa Gorman, Mr Mike Hall, Mr John Heppell, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Gordon Prentice, Mr David Rendell and Sir George Young.

5 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Special Grant Report (Metropolitan Railway Grant), viz.: Mr Vivian Baxendale, Mr John Biffen, Mr John Carlisle, Mr Kenneth Carlisle, Mr Roger Freeman, Mr Nick Harvey, Mr Norman Hogg, Mr Eddie Loyden, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Sir Patrick McNair-Wilson, Mr Nick Raynsford, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr George Stevenson, Mr Bowen Wells, Mr Ray Whitney, Mr Brian Wilson, Mr Mark Wolfson and Mr Tim Yeo.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence. — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 11th May; to be printed [No. 405-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Environment. — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 11th May; to be printed [No. 359-iv] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 European Legislation. — Eighteenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xviii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Procedure. — First Special Report from the Procedure Committee [Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94, on parliamentary scrutiny of deregulation orders]; to be printed [No. 404] [Sir Peter Emery].
5 Public Accounts.—(1) Twenty-seventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Disposal by Sale of Defence Surplus Equipment and Stores]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 194]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 11th May; to be printed [No. 406-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

6 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 11th May; to be printed [No. 70-viii] [Mr Frank Field].

7 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 11th May; to be printed [No. 285-v] [Mr Richard Caborn].

8 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 11th May; to be printed [No. 376-iii] [Mr Paul Channon].

9 Treasury and Civil Service,—Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee; to be printed [No. 236-xiii] [Mr John Watts].

10 Welsh Affairs,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 11th May; to be printed [Nos. 336-vii and -viii]; and

(2) Memoranda laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee

[Mr Gareth Wardell].

__MEMORANDA__

_Wednesday 11th May 1994_

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—

(1) the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1994 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(2) the draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(3) the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

(4) the Special Grant Report (Metropolitan Railway Grant) to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Roland Boyes Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1994;

(2) Mr John Maxton Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994;

(3) Mr Patrick Thompson Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994;

(4) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Special Grant Report (Metropolitan Railway Grant);

(5) Mr Frank Cook Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 6428/94, relating to the application of the milk quota scheme in Italy; and

(6) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 4715/94, relating to the Community Action Programme (SOCRATES) on education and training.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department for Education on 9th May 1994, relating to the education programme (SOCRATES) has been referred to European Standing Committee B.
Thursday 12th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Death of a Member, — The Speaker made the following communication to the House:
   I regret to have to inform the House of the death of the Right honourable John Smith QC, Member for Monklands East.

2 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees, — Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill, — The Order for reading the Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.
   Bill to be read a second time on Friday 20th May.

5 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (The Prime Minister.)
   And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 4.11 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 12th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Probation, — Probation (Amendment) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1228), dated 2nd May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Other Papers:

2 Industrial Organisation and Development, — Report and Accounts of the Horticultural Development Council for the period 1st October 1992 to 30th September 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

3 Monopolies and Mergers, — Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on historical on-line database services [by Command] [Cm. 2554] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

4 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Department of Transport: Environmental Factors in Road Planning and Design [by Act]; to be printed [No. 389] [Clerk of the House].

5 Sea Fisheries, — Reports by —
   (1) the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the proceedings under sections 1 to 5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967, for 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard];
   (2) the Secretary of State for Scotland on the proceedings under sections 1 to 5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967, for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang]; and
   (3) the Secretary of State for Wales on the proceedings under sections 1 to 5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967, for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Education, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 11th May; to be printed [No. 89-v] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

2 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 12th May; to be printed [No. 359-v] [Mr Robert B. Jones].
Friday 13th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Selection.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Firearms (Amendment) Bill.—Mr Michael Shersby, supported by Mr Mike O'Brien, Sir Anthony Durant, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr Ken Maginnis, Mr James Hill, Mr Robert Macleman, Mr John Greenway and Mr Andrew Mackinlay, presented a Bill to create a new offence of possessing a firearm or imitation firearm with intent to cause fear of violence; to apply certain provisions of the Firearms Act 1968 to imitation firearms; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th May and to be printed [Bill 110].

4 Tobacco Advertising Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Tobacco Advertising Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 39) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 7, at the end, to insert the words 'and for the purposes of this section, an advertisement shall not be deemed to have been published if it is comprised in or enclosed with a card, letter or other document sent by a person to one or more persons'.—(Sir Trevor Skeet.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Mr Don Dixon rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Alan Howarth: 117.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Richard Alexander, Sir Jerry Wiggin: 9.

Question put accordingly, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Sir Jerry Wiggin, Mr Richard Alexander: 19.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Alan Howarth: 108.

Another Amendment (No. 38) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 10, to leave out the words 'wholly or mainly'.—(Mr Charles Hendry.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

5 Energy Conservation Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the Energy Conservation Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Friday 15th July.

6 Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

7 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 1st July.

8 National Parks Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Parks Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 20th May.
9 Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Monday 23rd May, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(1) put the Question on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Heseltine relating to the draft Coal Industry (Restructuring Grants) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it has been made;

(2) put the Question on the Motion in the name of Sir John Cope relating to the Value Added Tax (Education) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours it has been made; and

(3) put the Questions on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary MacGregor relating to the draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994 and the draft Railway Pensions (Protection and Designation of Schemes) Order 1994 not later than Ten o'clock. —(Mr Derek Conway.)

10 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes to Four o'clock, adjourned till Monday 16th May.

[Adjourned at 3.34 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Friday 13th May 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Belgium (No. 1, 1994),—Special Arrangement, done at Brussels on 15th December 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium and the Government of the French Republic concerning security matters relating to trains using the Channel Fixed Link and travelling between Belgium and the United Kingdom [by Command] [Cm. 2546] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

2 Belgium (No. 2, 1994),—Protocol, done at Brussels on 15th December 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain, the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium and the Government of the French Republic on the establishment of a tripartite intergovernmental committee [by Command] [Cm. 2547] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

3 Belgium (No. 3, 1994),—Agreement, done at Brussels on 15th December 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium and the Government of the French Republic concerning rail traffic between Belgium and the United Kingdom using the Channel Fixed Link with Protocol [by Command] [Cm. 2548] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

4 Miscellaneous (No. 11, 1994),—Amendments, done at London on 4th November 1993, to Articles 16, 17, and 19(b) of the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation signed at Geneva on 6th March 1948 adopted by the eighteenth session of the Assembly of the Organisation [by Command] [Cm. 2551] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

5 Miscellaneous (No. 12, 1994),—Amendments, done at London on 7th November 1991, to the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation, signed at Geneva on 6th March 1948 relating to the institutionalisation of the Facilitation Committee adopted by the seventeenth session of the Assembly of the Organisation [by Command] [Cm. 2552] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Defence: Defence Procurement in the 1990s [by Act]; to be printed [No. 390] [Clerk of the House].

7 Transport,—Statement of determination of salaries and bonuses of the chairman and members of the British Railways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection
Standing Committee D,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee D, Mrs Barbara Roche (nominated in respect of the Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr George Mudie.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees.—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Bill.—Mr Peter Thurnham, supported by Dame Peggy Fenner, Mr John McFall, Mr John Fraser, Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Sir Gerard Vaughan, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Paul Boateng, Mr Colin Shepherd, Mr Dudley Fishburn and Mr Patrick Nicholls, presented a Bill to make provision for persons bound by covenants of a tenancy to be released from such covenants on the assignment of the tenancy, and to make other provision with respect to rights and liabilities arising under such covenants; to restrict in certain circumstances the operation of rights of re-entry, forfeiture and disclaimer; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 111].

4 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn (Mr David Heathcoat-Amory); And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

5 Court of Auditors' Report on the Environment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of the European Community Document No. 7909/92, the Court of Auditors' Special Report No. 3/92 concerning the environment; welcomes its recommendations as to how the Commission and Member States can pursue Community environmental policy more effectively, with better management and monitoring of the instruments used to put environmental policy into effect; and endorses the Report's call for the objectives of the Structural Funds to be pursued and achieved in compliance with Community environment policy—(Mr Andrew Mitchell): It was agreed to.

6 Enlargement: Accession Negotiations.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of the Presidency Report and Addendum II on the results of negotiations on the accession of Austria, Finland, Norway and Sweden to the European Union; warmly welcomes the successful conclusion of negotiations with these countries; and looks forward to their accession to the European Union on 1st January 1995—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

7 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Nottingham for changes in the way in which the Child Support Act is administered was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

8 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell); And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-seven minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.33 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 16th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Agriculture.—Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1302), dated 13th May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Agriculture.—(1) Habitat (Former Set-Aside Land) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1292), (2) Habitat (Salt-Marsh) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1293), and (3) Habitat (Water Fringe) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1291),
dated 12th May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

3 Education.—(1) Education (Lay Members of Appeal Committees) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1303), and
(2) Religious Education (Meetings of Local Conferences and Councils) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1304), dated 12th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].


5 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.—Statutes made by—
(1) the Governing Body of Christ's College, Cambridge on 15th February 1994, amending the statutes of the College, and
(2) the Governing Body of New College, Oxford on 3rd February 1994, amending the statutes of the College [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

6 Miscellaneous (No. 13, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—plurilateral trade agreements; agreement on government procurement; international dairy agreement; and international bovine meat agreement [by Command] [Cm. 2575] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 Miscellaneous (No. 14, 1994),—Final Act, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, embodying the results of the Uruguay round of multilateral trade negotiations with ministerial decisions and declarations and understanding on commitments in financial services [by Command] [Cm. 2570] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 Miscellaneous (No. 15, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation with understanding on rules and procedures governing the settlement of disputes and trade policy review mechanism [by Command] [Cm. 2571] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 Miscellaneous (No. 16, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994: interpretative understandings and Marrakesh protocol to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2558] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

10 Miscellaneous (No. 17, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on agriculture [by Command] [Cm. 2559] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 Miscellaneous (No. 18, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on textiles and clothing [by Command] [Cm. 2561] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

12 Miscellaneous (No. 19, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on technical barriers to trade [by Command] [Cm. 2564] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

13 Miscellaneous (No. 20, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on trade-related investment measures [by Command] [Cm. 2565] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

14 Miscellaneous (No. 21, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2566] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

15 Miscellaneous (No. 22, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2567] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

16 Miscellaneous (No. 23, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on preshipment inspection [by Command] [Cm. 2568] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

17 Miscellaneous (No. 24, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on rules of origin [by Command] [Cm. 2569] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

18 Miscellaneous (No. 25, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on import licensing procedures [by Command] [Cm. 2573] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
19 Miscellaneous (No. 26, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on subsidies and countervailing measures [by Command] [Cm. 2572] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

20 Miscellaneous (No. 27, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on safeguards [by Command] [Cm. 2574] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

21 Miscellaneous (No. 28, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation general agreement on trade in services with annexes [by Command] [Cm. 2556] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

22 Miscellaneous (No. 29, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights [by Command] [Cm. 2557] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

23 Miscellaneous (No. 30, 1994),—Agreement, done at Marrakesh on 15th April 1994, establishing the World Trade Organisation—agreement on the application of sanitary and phytosanitary measures [by Command] [Cm. 2562] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

24 National Health Service, Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health on—
(1) 10th May 1994 on borrowing by Doncaster Royal Infirmary and Montague Hospital National Health Service Trust,
(2) 10th May 1994 on borrowing by East Wiltshire Health Care National Health Service Trust,
(3) 9th May 1994 on borrowing by Heatherwood and Wexham Park Hospitals National Health Service Trust,
(4) 10th May 1994 on borrowing by Humberside Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust,
(5) 9th May 1994 on borrowing by Kent Ambulance National Health Service Trust,
(6) 9th May 1994 on borrowing by Lifecare National Health Service Trust,
(7) 9th May 1994 on borrowing by Royal Berkshire and Battle Hospitals National Health Service Trust, and
(8) 10th May 1994 on borrowing by South Devon Healthcare National Health Service Trust
[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees
Public Accounts, Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 16th May; to be printed [No. 408-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

PRAYERS.

1 Disqualification of a Member,—The Speaker laid upon the Table a notification, That Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer had yesterday appointed Bryan Charles Gould, Esquire, Member for Dagenham, to the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead in the County of York.

2 Eastleigh Writ,—Ordered, That the Speaker do issue her Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough Constituency of Eastleigh, in the room of Stephen David Wyatt Milligan, Esquire, deceased. —(Mr Sydney Chapman.)

3 Barking Writ,—Ordered, That the Speaker do issue her Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough Constituency of Barking, in the room of Josephine Richardson, deceased. —(Mr Derek Foster.)

4 Bradford South Writ,—Ordered, That the Speaker do issue her Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough Constituency of Bradford South, in the room of George Robert Cryer, Esquire, deceased. —(Mr Derek Foster.)
5 Dagenham Writ. — Ordered. That the Speaker do issue her Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough Constituency of Dagenham, in the room of Bryan Charles Gould, Esquire, who since his election for the said Borough Constituency, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty’s Manor of Northstead in the County of York. — (Mr Derek Foster.)

6 Newham North East Writ. — Ordered. That the Speaker do issue her Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough Constituency of Newham North East, in the room of Ronald Leighton, Esquire, deceased. — (Mr Derek Foster.)

7 Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords]. — The Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

8 Accounts and Papers. — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

9 Select Committees. — Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

10 Trade Marks Bill [Lords]. — Mr James Hill reported from Standing Committee B, That it had gone though the Trade Marks Bill [Lords], and made Amendments therunto.

   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 113].

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 411].

11 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — Mr Roland Boyes reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 10th May.

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 410].

12 Message from the Lords. — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

   The Lord have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

13 European Parliamentary Elections (Gibraltar) Bill. — The Order for reading the European Parliamentary Elections (Gibraltar) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

   Bill withdrawn.

14 Homicide (Defence of Provocation). — Ordered. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Homicide Act 1957 in respect of the defence of provocation: And that Mr Harry Cohen, Mrs Teresa Gorman, Clare Short, Mrs Barbara Roche, Jean Corston, Helen Jackson, Glenda Jackson, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Bruce Grocott, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Malcolm Chisholm and Mr Nicholas Winterton do prepare and bring it in.

15 Homicide (Defence of Provocation) Bill. — Mr Harry Cohen accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Homicide Act 1957 in respect of the defence of provocation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th June and to be printed [Bill 112].

16 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill. — The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

   Ordered, That the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill, as amended, be considered in the following order, namely, new Clauses, new Schedules, Amendments relating to Clause No. 1, Schedule No. 1, Clauses Nos. 2 to 7, Schedule No. 2, Clauses Nos. 8 to 18, Schedule No. 3, Clauses Nos. 19 to 33, Schedule No. 4, Clauses Nos. 34 to 40, Schedule No. 5, Clauses Nos. 41 to 51, Schedule No. 6, Clauses Nos. 52 to 61, Schedules Nos. 7 and 8, Clauses Nos. 62 to 66, Schedule No. 9, Clauses Nos. 67 to 78, Schedule No. 10, Clauses Nos. 79 to 94, Schedule No. 11, Clauses Nos. 95 to 127, Schedule No. 12, Clauses Nos. 128 to 175, Schedules Nos. 13 and 14 and Clauses Nos. 176 to 178. — (Mr Secretary Lang.)

   A Clause (Power of local authorities to provide assistance to voluntary organisations) — (Lord James Douglas-Hamilton) — brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Byelaws under section 121 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982)—(Mr Allan Stewart)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Staff: Application of Chapter 2 of Part I)—(Mr Allan Stewart)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (New water and sewerage authorities)—(Mr George Robertson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Bowen Wells: 278.

Another Clause (Initial review of local government areas)—(Mr Henry McLeish)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Cost of re-organisation)—(Mr Henry McLeish)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Alan Meale: 243.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Bowen Wells: 282.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be further considered to-morrow.

17 Business of the House,—Ordered, That—

(1) at the sitting on Thursday 19th May, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(a) put the Question on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Heseltine relating to the draft Coal Industry (Restructuring Grants) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it has been made;

(b) put the Question on the Motion in the name of Sir John Cope relating to the Value Added Tax (Education) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it has been made; and

(c) put the Questions on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary MacGregor relating to the draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994 and the draft Railway Pensions (Protection and Designation of Schemes) Order 1994 not later than Ten o'clock;

(2) at the sitting on Monday 23rd May, the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Third Reading of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill not later than Seven o'clock.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

18 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.42 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 17th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Housing,—Collective Enfranchisement and Tenants' Audit (Qualified Surveyors) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1263), dated 7th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other Papers:

2 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—

(1) pharmaceutical products, and

(2) working of stone and other non-metallic minerals
APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 17th May; to be printed [Nos. 412 and 413] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Environment.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 17th May; to be printed [No. 359-vi] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 Statutory Instruments.—Nineteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xx] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

4 Treasury and Civil Service.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 17th May; to be printed [No. 27-x] [Mr John Watts].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Selection.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

4 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr John Maxton reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 10th May. Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 421].

5 European Standing Committee A.—Mr Frank Cook reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:
   That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 6428/94, relating to the application of the milk quota scheme in Italy; and endorses the line that the Government is taking in challenging the proposal that Italy should receive its additional milk quota in full for 1994-95.
   Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 European Standing Committee B.—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:
That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4715/94 and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department for Education on 9th May 1994, relating to education and training (SOCRATES programme); supports the Government's view that the SOCRATES programme will offer helpful opportunities for schools, colleges and universities in the United Kingdom to develop the European dimension, in particular through support for language learning; and welcomes the Government's efforts to secure a programme which respects the principle of subsidiarity and which offers value for money.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill,—Mr Andrew Mackinlay, supported by Mr Peter Bottomley, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr Don Dixon, Mr John Hume, Mr Ken Maginnis, The Reverend Ian Paisley, Mr Allan Rogers, Mr Alex Salmond, Sir David Steel, Mr Dafydd Wigley and Mr Paul Flynn, presented a Bill to provide for the granting of pardons to soldiers of the British Empire Forces executed during the Great War of 1914 to 1919 following conviction for offences of cowardice, desertion or attempted desertion, disobedience, quitting post, violence, sleeping at post, throwing away arms or striking a superior officer; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 1st July and to be printed [Bill 115].

8 Education (Admission to Higher Education),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform the admission procedure to United Kingdom institutions of higher education for all school leavers by holding the relevant public examinations in mid April to mid May; to allow applicants to more than one institution to disclose to each institution the application relevant to that institution alone and to offer to applicants the right to see references given on their behalf to higher education institutions; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Jeff Rooker, Estelle Morris, Dr Robert Spink, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr John McAllion, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Bill Walker and Mr David Trimble do prepare and bring it in.

9 Education (Admission to Higher Education) Bill, —Mr Jeff Rooker accordingly presented a Bill to reform the admission procedure to United Kingdom institutions of higher education for all school leavers by holding the relevant public examinations in mid April to mid May; to allow applicants to more than one institution to disclose to each institution the application relevant to that institution alone and to offer to applicants the right to see references given on their behalf to higher education institutions; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 116].

10 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Clause (Non-denominational schools)—(Mr Henry McLeish)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Joint children's panels)—(Mr Henry McLeish)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Joint passenger transport authorities)—(Mr Henry McLeish)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Social work committees)—(Mr Henry McLeish)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr James Arbuthnot: 274.

Another Clause (Powers of community councils)—(Mr James Wallace)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave withdrawn.

Another Clause (Duty of education authorities for education of under fives)—(Mr James Wallace)—brought up, and read the first time.
Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

A Schedule (Area Tourist Boards)—(Mrs Ray Michie)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Schedule be read a second time:—Schedule, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 25) proposed to the Bill, in page 124, line 8, to leave out the words ‘Banff and Buchan District Council’.—(Mr Alex Salmond.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Andrew Welsh: 20.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 265.

Amendments (Nos. 287 and 288) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 42) proposed to the Bill, in page 124, to leave out lines 40 to 44 and insert the words—

‘Ayrshire
Kilmarnock and Loudoun District Council; Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council; Cunninghame District Council; Kyle and Carrick District Council’; instead thereof.—(Mr Henry McLeish.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Eric Illsley: 232.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Timothy Wood: 266.

Other Amendments (Nos. 289, 290, 292, 291, 293 to 297, 48 to 57, 173, 58, 59, 174, 175, 113 to 119, 176 to 182, 60 to 67, 280, 68, 281, 304, 223, 282, 283, 69, 284, 285, 70, 183, 286 and 71 to 81) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed to the Bill, in page 138, to leave out lines 18 to 23 and insert the words—

‘3. The members of an authority shall be—

(a) such number of elected councillors as the councils in the area covered by the authority shall by agreement determine and shall be appointed by those councils (in this schedule referred to as the “appointing authorities”),

(b) the person who is for the time being the chief executive of the authority’, instead thereof.—(Mr Henry McLeish.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 238.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Timothy Wood: 252.

Other Amendments (Nos. 82, 184, 83 to 95, 185, 186, 158 to 161, 96, 162, 98, 187 and 99 to 102) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 97, line 11, at the end, to insert the words—

‘(aa) in subsection (1) at the end there shall be inserted—

“; provided that any motor vehicle used for the conveyance of pupils pursuant to this subsection shall be equipped with seatbelts for the use of any passengers travelling in it.”.—(Mr Jimmy Hood.)

Question put, that the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Spellar: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Bowen Wells: 274.

Other Amendments (Nos. 188 to 190, 103 to 107, 219 to 221, 191, 108 to 110, 224, 120 to 128, 225, 129, 163, 164, 131 to 134, 226, 298, 299, 227, 228, 135 to 138, 300, 139, 229, 140 to 142, 194, 143 to 145, 195, 146, 230, 196 to 201, 231, 202, 147, 203 to 211, 301, 212, 213, 148 to 150, 232, 165, 233, 166, 151, 214, 234, 215, 235 to 237, 152, 216, 217, 238, 218, 239, 111, 112, 192, 153 and 154) made to the Bill.
Title accordingly amended, as follows: A Bill to make provision with respect to local government and the functions of local authorities; to make amendments in relation to local governmental finance, local authority accounts and the records of local authorities; to establish a Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority for the purposes of the Transport Act 1968; to provide for the establishment of new water and sewerage authorities; to provide for the establishment of a council to represent the interests of customers and potential customers of those new authorities; to provide for the vesting in those new authorities of the property, rights and liabilities of the Central Scotland Water Development Board and of such property, rights and liabilities of regional and islands councils as those councils have as water authorities, as providers of sewerage and in relation to dealing with the contents of sewers; to provide for the dissolution of that Board; to cancel certain obligations to contribute towards expenses which have been incurred by local authorities in making provision for sewerage or disposal of sewage in rural localities; to create an office of Principal Reporter and transfer to him the functions of reporters to children’s hearings; to establish a body to facilitate the performance by the Principal Reporter of his functions; to amend the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 in relation to children’s hearings; to amend the procedure for making byelaws under section 121 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982; to transfer to local authorities responsibility for fixing and reviewing polling districts and polling places in Parliamentary elections; to amend section 21 of the Self-Governing Schools etc. (Scotland) Act 1989; to amend the law relating to roads and the placing of traffic signs on roads; to make amendments in relation to valuation and rating; to abolish the Scottish Valuation Advisory Council; to empower the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority to guarantee certain obligations; to empower local authorities to make grants to ethnic minorities; to confer on local authorities the function of promoting economic development; to provide for the establishment of area tourist boards; to make amendments in relation to lieutenancies; all as respects Scotland; and for connected purposes.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

11 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And it being Ten o’clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

12 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o’clock and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 18th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Insurance,—Draft Insurance Companies (Third Insurance Directives) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Criminal Procedure,—(1) Criminal Justice (Confiscation) (Designated Countries and Territories) (1991 Order) (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 (S.R.(N.I.), 1994, No. 164), and


3 Education,—Education (Distribution by Schools of Information about Further Education Institutions) (Wales) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1321), dated 17th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

4 Environmental Protection,—Environmental Protection (Prescribed Processes and Substances Etc.) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1329), dated 17th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].
5 Police,—Police (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1308), dated 15th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Other Papers:

6 Broadcasting,—Report and Accounts of the Radio Authority for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

7 Census,—European Parliamentary Constituency Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys, the General Register Office, Scotland, and the Census Office, Northern Ireland, for the United Kingdom for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Census (Scotland),—Parliamentary Constituencies in Scotland Monitor of the General Register Office Scotland for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

9 Charities,—Report and Accounts of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales for 1993, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 382] [Mr Secretary Howard].

10 National Health Service,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Health on 9th May 1994 on borrowing by The Horton General Hospital National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

11 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Fourth Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 409] [Clerk of the House].

12 Police (Northern Ireland),—Report of the Independent Commission for Police Complaints for Northern Ireland for 1993 [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 380] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

13 Public Accounts,—Northern Ireland Department of Finance and Personnel Memorandum on the 12th and 13th Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1993–94 [by Command] [Cm. 2555] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Scottish Standing Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated seventeen Members to serve on the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Brian H. Donohoe, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Maria Fyfe, Mr Phil Gallie, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr George Kynoch, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mrs Ray Michie, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Bill Walker and Mr Jimmy Wray.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Accommodation and Works,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Accommodation and Works Committee on 18th May, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 362-ii] [Mr Ray Powell].

2 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 347-v] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 414-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation,—Nineteenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xix] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 418-i] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Northern Ireland Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 417-i] [Sir James Kilfedder].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 18th May; to be printed [No. 345-iv] [Mr James Pawsey].
8 Procedure.—Fifth Report from the Procedure Committee [Advance Notice for Members: Questions and Statements]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 420] [Sir Peter Emery].

9 Public Accounts.—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 18th May; to be printed [No. 419-i]; and

(2) Memoranda laid before the Committee of Public Accounts
[Mr Robert Sheldon].

10 Science and Technology.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 422-i] [Sir Giles Shaw].

11 Trade and Industry.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 220-ii] [Mr Richard Caborn].

12 Transport.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 376-iv] [Mr Paul Channon].

13 Welsh Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 18th May; to be printed [Nos. 336-ix and -x] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA
Wednesday 18th May 1994

1 Chairmen of Standing Committees.—In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees) the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of law and order in Scotland;

(2) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

(3) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 4168/94, relating to intra-community trade in bovine animals and swine; and


2 European Standing Committees.—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 6214/94, relating to the fight against fraud in 1993, and 6214/94 ADD 1, relating to the anti-fraud strategy and work programme for 1994, have been referred to European Standing Committee B in place of the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by H.M. Treasury on 19th April 1994, which were referred on 4th May.

Thursday 19th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 16th June.

2 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees.—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (See Appendix II).

4 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr Patrick Thompson reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 11th May 1994.
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 424].

5 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Dr John G. Blackburn reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Special Grant Report (Metropolitan Railway Grant) (House of Commons Paper No. 370), referred to a Committee on 10th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 423].

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Insolvency Bill, without Amendment.

7 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill,—Ordered, That the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee and on consideration, be printed [Bill 114].

8 Newly Qualified Drivers Bill,—The Order for reading the Newly Qualified Drivers Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

9 National Parks Bill [Lords],—The Order for reading the National Parks Bill [Lords] a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

10 Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill,—The Order for reading the Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

11 The Speaker's Absence,—Ordered, That the Speaker have leave of absence to-morrow, Friday 20th May, to attend the funeral of the Right honourable John Smith, formerly Member for Monklands East. (Mr Tony Newton.)

12 Coal Industry,—Resolved. That the draft Coal Industry (Restructuring Grants) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 21st April, be approved. (Mr Tim Eggar.)

13 Value Added Tax,—Resolved. That the Value Added Tax (Education) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1188), a copy of which was laid before this House on 28th April, be approved. (Sir John Cope.)

14 Business of the House,—Ordered. That the Speaker shall—

(1) at the sitting on Monday 23rd May, notwithstanding the Order [13th May] and the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), put the Questions on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary MacGregor relating to the draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994 and the draft Railway Pensions (Protection and Designation of Schemes) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after the first of them was entered upon;

(2) at the sitting on Tuesday 24th May—

(a) put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Third Reading of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill not later than three hours after their commencement; and

(b) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), put the Question on the Motion in the name of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to the draft Northern Ireland (Emergency and Prevention of Terrorism Provisions) (Continuance) Order 1994 not later than three hours after it was entered upon; and

(3) at the sitting on Wednesday 25th May, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), put the Question on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Gummer relating to the draft Council Tax Limitation (Sheffield City Council) (Maximum Amount) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it was entered upon;

and the above business may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour. (Mr Andrew MacKay.)

15 Sittings of the House,—Resolved, That—

(1) this House do meet on Thursday 26th May at half-past Nine o'clock;

(2) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 17 (Time for taking questions), no Questions shall be taken, provided that at Eleven o'clock the Speaker may interrupt the proceedings in order to permit questions to be asked which are in her opinion of an urgent character and relate either to matters of public importance or to the arrangement of business, statements to be made by Ministers, or personal explanations to be made by Members; and
(3) at Three o'clock the Speaker do adjourn the House without putting any Question, provided that this House shall not adjourn until the Speaker shall have reported the Royal Assent to any Acts agreed upon by both Houses.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

16 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Talbot Park, Bournemouth, for a change in planning regulations concerning change of use was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

17 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from—

(1) Peter Anthony Simpson and James McAllister for a review of community health care in East Berkshire, and

(2) residents of the United Kingdom against Value Added Tax on domestic fuel; were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

18 Adjournment,—Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes to Nine o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 8.33 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Thursday 19th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Building and Buildings,—Building Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1266), dated 9th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

2 Education,—Education (National Curriculum) (Exceptions in Welsh at Key Stage 4) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1270), dated 30th April [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

3 National Health Service,—(1) Countess of Chester Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1301),

(2) East Hertfordshire National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1300),

(3) Grimsby Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1299),


(5) Royal Berkshire and Battle Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1297),

(6) Royal Cornwall Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1296),

(7) Two Shires Ambulance National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1294), and

(8) West Berkshire Priority Care Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1295), dated 12th May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other Papers:

4 Covent Garden Market,—Statement of determination of salary of the Chairman and Members of the Covent Garden Market Authority [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

5 Crown Agents,—Report and Accounts of the Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Dentists,—Account of the General Dental Council for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

7 General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade,—Paper, entitled the Uruguay round of multilateral trade negotiations 1986-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2579] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

8 Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland),—Report of the Scottish Legal Services Ombudsman for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 307] [Mr Secretary Lang].
9 National Health Service,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Health on 16th May 1994 on borrowing by Stoke Mandeville Hospital National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

10 Police Complaints Authority,—Review of the Police Complaints Authority for 1991-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 396] [Mr Secretary Howard].

11 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute, dated 19th May 1994, on the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1993-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2577] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

(2) Haiti (United Nations Sanctions) (Dependent Territories) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1324),
(3) Haiti (United Nations Sanctions) (Isle of Man) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1325), and

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 19th May; to be printed [No. 68-ii] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 18th May; to be printed [No. 89-vi] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 19th May; to be printed [No. 289-vii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

[No. 108.]
Friday 20th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

1 The Speaker's Absence,—The House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the Speaker's absence from this day's sitting, pursuant to leave given yesterday. Whereupon Mr Michael Morris, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table.

PRAYERS.

2 The Chairman of Ways and Means took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).  

4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
- The Lords have agreed to the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- The Lords have agreed to the Sunday Trading Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

5 Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill to be considered on Monday 23rd May and to be printed [Bill 118].

6 Sunday Trading Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Sunday Trading Bill to be considered on Monday 23rd May and to be printed [Bill 119].

7 Parliamentary Elections (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Jeff Rooker, supported by Mr Neil Kinnock, Mr Austin Mitchell, Dr Tony Wright, Glenda Jackson, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr John Garrett, Mr Frank Field, Mr Keith Hill, Mr Mike Watson, Mr Giles Radice and Mr Hugh Bayley, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to elections and political parties: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 117].
8 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, to leave out line 7. —(Mr Peter Luff.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr John Austin-Walker: 0.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Clelland, Mr Greg Pope: 28.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that fewer than forty Members had taken part in the Division, the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.

9 Sale and Supply of Goods Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 15) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 8, to leave out the words 'in the course of a business.' —(Mr James Paice.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Howarth, Mr Greg Pope: 1.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Austin-Walker, Mr Dennis Skinner: 25.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that fewer than forty Members had taken part in the Division, the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided, and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.

10 Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be considered on Friday 17th June.

11 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 11) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 31, to leave out the words 'of the passing of this Act' and insert the words 'after this section is brought into force', instead thereof.—(Mr Edward Leigh.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Dr Liam Fox rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Dr Liam Fox, Mr Michael Fabricant: 28.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Atkinson, Mr Edward Leigh: 1.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that fewer than forty Members had taken part in the Division, the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided, and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.

12 Employment Protection (Government Communications Headquarters) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employment Protection (Government Communications Headquarters) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr John Austin-Walker: 17.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Edward Leigh, Mr Michael Fabricant: 17.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that fewer than forty Members had taken part in the Division, the Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided, and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.
13 Contaminated Land Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contaminated Land Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

14 Treasure Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Treasure Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 17th June.

15 Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

16 Marriage (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

17 Firearms (Amendment) Bill,—The Firearms (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Michael Shersby):—It was agreed to.
Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Derek Conway reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

18 Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 17th June.

19 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday 23rd May.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.

APPENDIX
Friday 20th May 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:
Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 National Lottery,—National Lottery etc. Act 1993 (Amendment of Section 23) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1342), dated 17th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

2 Road Traffic,—Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1364), dated 19th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees.—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Intelligence Services Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Licensing of Domiciliary Care Agencies Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision for the licensing of domiciliary care agencies; to make provisions consequential thereon; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the transfer to and vesting in TSB Bank plc of parts of the undertakings of Hill Samuel Bank Limited and United Dominions Trust Limited; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords].—The Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

5 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee, be considered on Friday 17th June.

6 Sale and Supply of Goods Bill,—Ordered, That the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be considered on Friday 24th June.

7 Industrial Tribunals,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Sydney Chapman):—It was agreed to.

8 Industrial Tribunals,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Sydney Chapman):—It was agreed to.

9 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Other Amendments (Nos. 80, 51, 6, 52, 81, 84, 91, 104, 79 and 25 to 27) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 21) proposed to the Bill, in page 28, line 14, to leave out the words 'and may assume that those undertakings will be fulfilled'.—(Mr Derek Fatchett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 179.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 250.

Other Amendments (Nos. 28 to 36, 40, 37, 38, 41 and 39) made to the Bill.

Another Clause (Burdens imposed by public bodies)—(Mr Michael Meacher)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Alan Meale: 225.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Derek Conway: 284.
Other Amendments (Nos. 101 and 102) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 42) proposed to the Bill, in page 51, line 36, to leave out from the word 'section' to the end of line 37 and insert the words—

'(a) in relation to any function of a Minister, without first consulting any officer exercising the function of behalf of the Minister and any organisation appearing to the Minister to be representative of such officers, or

(b) in relation to any function of an office-holder, without first consulting him, any officer exercising the function on his behalf and any organisation appearing to the Minister to be representative of such officers',—instead thereof—(Mr John Garrett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric IIlsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 229.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 279.

Other Amendments (Nos. 105 to 110 and 92) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Schedule to be inserted in the Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963 after Schedule 4 "Schedule 4A: Rights of Betting Workers as respects Sunday Working")—(Mr James Paice)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause—(Duration and expiry of Chapter 1 of Part I)—(Mr Derek Fatchett)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric IIlsley, Mr Alan Meale: 234.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Bowen Wells: 275.

Other Amendments (Nos. 97 to 100 and 24) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Bowen Wells: 291.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Ray Powell: 242.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

10 Transport,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved—(Mr Roger Freeman);

And it being one and a half hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [19th May].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Bowen Wells: 213.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Keith Hill: 170.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Railways Pension Scheme Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved.

The Deputy Speaker then put the other Question which he was required to put at that hour.

Transport,—Resolved, That the draft Railway Pensions (Protection and Designation of Schemes) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved.—(Mr David Lighton.)

11 Education and Training,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4715/94 and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department for Education on 9th May 1994, relating to education and training (SOCRATES programme); supports the Government's view that the SOCRATES programme will offer helpful opportunities for schools, colleges and universities in the United Kingdom to develop the European dimension in particular
through support for language learning; and welcomes the Government's efforts to secure a programme which respects the principle of subsidiarity and which offers value for money—(Mr David Lightbown)—It was agreed to.

12 Transport.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 26th January, be approved—(Mr David Lightbown)—It was agreed to.

13 Education.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 9th May, be approved—(Mr David Lightbown)—It was agreed to.

14 Public Accounts.—Ordered, That Mr Terry Davis be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Mr Alan Milburn be added to the Committee.—(Mr David Lightbown.)

15 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr David Lightbown); Tuesday 24th May 1994

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes past Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.26 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 23rd May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Council Tax.—Draft Council Tax Limitation (Sheffield City Council) (Maximum Amount) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

2 Defence.—Draft Army, Air Force, and Naval Discipline Acts (Continuation) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Immigration.—Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules [by Act]; to be printed [No. 395] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 National Health Service.—(1) Airedale National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1309),

(2) Avon Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1310),

(3) Barnet Community National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1311),

(4) Chase Farm Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1312),

(5) Chorley and South Ribble National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1313),

(6) Community Health Services, Southern Derbyshire National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1314),

(7) Cornwall Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1315),

(8) Derby City General Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1317),

(9) Durham County Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1318),

And the Question being put;
(10) East Sussex Health Authority (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1316),
(11) Exeter and North Devon Health Authority (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1319), and
(12) Fosse Health, Leicestershire Community National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1320),
dated 16th May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other Papers:

5 Broadcasting,—Report and Accounts of Channel Four Television for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

6 Census (Scotland),—Monitors of the General Register Office Scotland for—
(1) Electoral Divisions and Civil Parishes in the Shetland Islands Area, and
(2) Wards and Civil Parishes in—
   (i) Borders Region,
   (ii) Central Region,
   (iii) Fife Region,
   (iv) Highland Region,
   (v) Lothian Region, and
   (vi) Tayside Region
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 23rd May; to be printed [No. 427-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

2 Treasury and Civil Service,—Fourth Report from the Treasury and Service Committee [Retail Financial Services Regulation: An Interim Report]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 236] [Mr John Watts].

[No. 110.]

Tuesday 24th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords],—The River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords],—Mrs Ann Winterton reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow, and to be printed [Bill 122].

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 429].

5 Scottish Grand Committee,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Matter of law and order in Scotland, referred to it on 11th May, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 428].

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
The Lords have agreed to the Church of Scotland (Properties and Investments) Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

7 Fine Defaulters (Restriction of Power to Imprison) Bill.—Lynne Jones, supported by Mr Richard Alexander and Mr Alex Carlile, presented a Bill to restrict the power of magistrates' courts to impose imprisonment for default of the payment of fines: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 8th July and to be printed [Bill 120].

8 Agriculture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1994 (S.1., 1994, No. 1302) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):— It was agreed to.

9 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):— It was agreed to.

10 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):— It was agreed to.

11 Television Licences (Reduction for Poor Reception),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give television licence holders a reduction in their licence fee when it is recognised that the household is unable to enjoy good television reception: And that Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr Jonathan Evans, Mr George Foullès, Sir Russell Johnston, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr David Shaw, Mr John Sykes, Mr Phil Gallie and Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones do prepare and bring it in.

12 Television Licences (Reduction for Poor Reception) Bill.—Mr Charles Hendry accordingly presented a Bill to give television licence holders a reduction in their licence fee when it is recognised that the household is unable to enjoy good television reception: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th June and to be printed [Bill 121].

13 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill;

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Secretary Lang acquainted the House, That he had it in command from the Queen to acquaint the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, has consented to place her prerogative so far as it is affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr James Arbuthnot: 289.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Eric Illsley: 253.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

14 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Northern Ireland (Emergency and Prevention of Terrorism Provisions) (Continuance) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 20th April, be approved—(Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew);

And it being three hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [19th May].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Bowen Wells: 257.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Alan Meale: 154.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Northern Ireland (Emergency and Prevention of Terrorism Provisions) (Continuance) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 20th April, be approved.
15 Milk Quotas: Italy.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 6428/94, relating to the application of the milk quota scheme in Italy; and endorses the line that the Government is taking in challenging the proposal that Italy should receive its additional milk quota in full for 1994-95—(Mr David Lightbown):—It was agreed to.

16 Local Government Finance,—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.) and Order [10th May], That the Special Grant Report (Metropolitan Railway Grant) (House of Commons Paper No. 370), which was laid before this House on 6th May, be approved—(Mr David Lightbown):—It was agreed to.

17 Local Government,—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Housing Management) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved—(Mr David Lightbown):—It was agreed to.

18 Information,—Ordered. That Mr Harold Elletson be discharged from the Information Committee and Mr Rod Richards be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew Mackay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

19 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr David Lightbown);

Wednesday 25th May 1994

And the Question being put;

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes past Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.11 a.m.]

APPENDIX I
Tuesday 24th May 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—Draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].


3 Insurance,—Draft Insurance Companies (Third Insurance Directives) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

4 Northern Ireland,—(1) Draft Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994,

(2) draft Betting and Lotteries (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, and

(3) draft Northern Ireland Act 1974 (Interim Period Extension) Order 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

5 Ancient Monuments,—Ancient Monuments (Class Consents) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1381), dated 19th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].


Other Papers:

7 Broadcasting,—Report and Accounts of the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

8 Commonwealth Development Corporation,—Report and Accounts of the Commonwealth Development Corporation for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
9 Cyprus (No. 1, 1994).—Notes exchanged at Nicosia on 9th May 1994 between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus amending the Convention on Social Security signed at Nicosia on 18th December 1982 [by Command] [Cm. 2585] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

10 Miscellaneous (No. 31, 1994).—Antarctic Treaty: Recommendation of the Eighteenth Consultative Meeting held at Kyoto between the 11th and 22nd April 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2580] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 National Health Service.—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health on 19th May 1994 on borrowing by—
   (1) Bishop Auckland Hospitals National Health Service Trust, and
   (2) South Tees Community and Mental Health National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

12 Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting.—Accounts of—
   (1) the National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for Scotland for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 397] [Mr Secretary Lang]; and
   (2) the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 342] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

13 Severn Bridges.—Financial Statements of Severn River Crossing plc for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

14 Trade and Industry.—Paper, entitled Competitiveness: Helping Business to Win [by Command] [Cm. 2563] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

   Paper withdrawn:

15 Insurance.—Draft Insurance Companies (Third Insurance Directives) Regulations 1994 [laid 18th May].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 24th May; to be printed [Nos. 431 and 432] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Environment.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 24th May; to be printed [No. 359-vii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

3 National Heritage.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 24th May; to be printed [No. 289-viii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

4 Statutory Instruments.—Twentieth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xxi] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

5 Trade and Industry.—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 24th May; to be printed [No. 430]; and
   (2) Memorandum laid before the Committee [Mr Richard Caborn].

[No. 111.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills (Petition for Additional Provision).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for Additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill.
Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords].—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

4 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

5 Consolidation, &c. Bills,—Mr John Whittingdale reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Value Added Tax Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That it had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 25th May.

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 439-I].

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 439-II].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 43941].

6 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

7 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

8 State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Second Scottish Standing Committee, That it had gone through the State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords], and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 17th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 433].

9 European Standing Committee A,—Dr John G. Blackburn reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4168/94, and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 6th May, relating to intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine; and supports the Government's objective of ensuring that the rules protect the health status of the United Kingdom, and the Community as a whole, and sustain the United Kingdom's existing export market.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

10 European Standing Committee B,—Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 16th March 1994, relating to the discharge of the general budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1992 and of European Community Documents Nos. 6214/94, the Commission's report on the fight against fraud in the Community in 1993, and 6214/94 ADDI, the Commission's report on its anti-fraud strategy and work programme for 1994; and strongly supports the Government's policy of securing sound financial management in the Community, including combating fraud against the Community's financial interests.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

11 Welsh Affairs,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 98 (Welsh Grand Committee), That the Matter of health care in Wales, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for its consideration—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.
12 Vehicle Identification,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require new vehicles to display a visible vehicle identification number: And that Mr John Whittingdale, Sir Ivan Lawrence, Mr David Marshall, Mr Robert Macleanan, Mr Bob Dunn, Mr Barry Sheerman, Mr Stephen Day, Mr David Lidington, Mr Michael Stephen, Mr John Sykes, Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown and Mr Michael Brown do prepare and bring it in.

13 Vehicle Identification Bill,—Mr John Whittingdale accordingly presented a Bill to require new vehicles to display a visible vehicle identification number: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 123].

14 Adjournment (Spring).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn until Tuesday 14th June—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope); And it being three hours after the proceedings were entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 22 (Periodic adjournments). The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Derek Conway: 216.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Dennis Skinner: 53.
So the Question was agreed to.
Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn until Tuesday 14th June.

15 Council Tax,—Resolved, That the draft Council Tax Limitation (Sheffield City Council) (Maximum Amount) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 23rd May, be approved. (Mr David Curry.)

16 Adjournment,—Resolved, This this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.) And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes past Nine o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.5 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 25th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Northern Ireland,—Draft Appropriation (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Agriculture,— (1) Marketing Development Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1403), and
(2) Marketing Development Scheme (Specification of Activities) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1404),
dated 24th May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

3 Environmental Protection,—Household Appliances (Noise Emission) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1386), dated 23rd May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

4 Medicines,—Medicines (Child Safety) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1402),
dated 24th May 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 National Health Service,—(1) Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Ambulance and Paramedic Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1343), dated 18th May 1994,
(2) Cornwall Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1388), dated 24th May 1994,
(3) Hereford and Worcester Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1333), dated 18th May 1994,
(4) Scunthorpe and Goole Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1335), dated 18th May 1994,
(5) Scunthorpe Community Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1334), dated 18th May 1994,
(6) Southern Derbyshire Mental Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1336), dated 18th May 1994,

(7) Thameslink Healthcare Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1337), dated 18th May 1994,

(8) South Warwickshire Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1338), dated 18th May 1994,


(10) West Middlesex University Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1340), dated 18th May 1994,


[by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


Other Papers:

7 Bank of England,—(1) Report and Accounts of the Bank of England for the period 1st March 1993 to 28th February 1994 [by Command]; and


[Mr Anthony Nelson].

8 Criminal Justice,—Report of the Serious Fraud Office for the period 5th April 1993 to 4th April 1994 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 392] [Mr Attorney General].

9 Reserve Forces,—Statement by the Minister of State for the Armed Forces under section 11 of the Reserve Forces Act 1980 on the call out of territorial army personnel [by Act][Mr Secretary Rifkind].

10 Social Security,—Government Response to the Second Report from the Social Security Committee, Session 1993-94, on the work of the Maxwell pension fund trustees [by Command][Cm. 2582] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

11 Treaty Series (No. 28, 1994),—Amendments, adopted at Geneva on 18th May 1988, to Article 10 and Article 12 of the convention on the control and marking of articles of precious metals, done at Vienna on 15th November 1972 [by Command][Cm. 2576][Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1994 and the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr David Atkinson, Mr Kevin Barron, Mr Roger Berry, Mrs Angela Browning, Mr Richard Burden, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Mr Jim Lester, Mr Denis MacShane, Mr Paul Marland, Mr David Mellor, Sir Cranley Onslow, Mr Phillip Oppenheim, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr David Porter and Ann Widdecombe.

2 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1994, viz.: Mr Nick Ainger, Mr Robert Bunks, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Tom Cox, Mr Alan Duncan, Sir Peter Emery, Mr Peter Griffiths, Sir Archibald Hamilton, Mr Nick Hawkins, Mr Michael Jack, Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Mr Elliot Morley, Emma Nicholson, Mr Colin Pickthall, Mr George Stevenson, Mr Paul Tyler and Mr Alan W. Williams.
3 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Michael Brown, Mr Nicholas Budgen, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr William Cash, Mr Churchill, Mr Den Dover, Mr Bob Dunn, Mr Peter Hain, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr Patrick Nicholls, Mr William O’Brien, Mr Robert Parry, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Tim Smith, Mr A. Cecil Walker and Mr Bowen Wells.

4 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Michael Bates, Mr Henry Bellingham, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr George Galloway, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Kevin McNamara, Mr Max Madden, Sir Fergus Montgomery, Sir Michael Neubert, Bridget Prentice, Mr David Shaw, Sir James Spicer, Sir John Stanley, Mr David Trimble, Mr Bowen Wells and Sir John Wheeler.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 434-i] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence, — (1) Fifth Report from the Defence Committee [Implementation of Lessons Learned from Operation Granby], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 43, including No. 928 of Session 1992-93]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 270-iii]

[Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 25th May; to be printed [Nos. 328-iii and 414-ii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation, — (1) Twentieth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xi]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on European Legislation on 25th May; to be printed [No. 437-i]

[Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Home Affairs, — (1) Third Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Racial Attacks and Harassment], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 71];

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 302-iii]; and

(3) Memoranda laid before the Home Affairs Committee

[Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 National Heritage, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 289-ix] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

7 Northern Ireland Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 417-ii] [Sir James Kilfedder].

8 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 25th May; to be printed [No. 345-v] [Mr James Pawsey].
9 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 25th May; to be printed [No. 438-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

10 Social Security,—Fourth Report from the Social Security Committee [The Report of the Pension Law Review Committee (The Goode Report)]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 436] [Mr Frank Field].

11 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 220-iii] [Mr Richard Caborn].

12 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 376-v] [Mr Paul Channon].


(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 25th May;

to be printed [Nos. 441 and 440] [Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDA
Wednesday 25th May 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—

   (1) the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1994 and the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

   (2) the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1994 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

   (3) the draft Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

   (4) draft Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

   (1) Mr Roy Hughes Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of health care in Wales;

   (2) Mr Iain Mills Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1994 and the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994;

   (3) Mr Roland Boyes Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instrument, &c., in respect of the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1994;

   (4) Mr Patrick Thompson Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994;

   (5) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994; and

   (6) Sir James Kilfedder Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 4187/94, relating to vocational training policy.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:

   (1) European Community Document No. 5947/94, relating to the conservation of wild birds, to European Standing Committee A; and
(2) European Community Documents Nos. 6230/94, relating to the establishment of European committees for informing and consulting employees, 6398/94, relating to the Commission's Green Paper on audio visual policy (films), and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 23rd May 1994, relating to vocational training policy (LEONARDO DA VINCI programme), to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 112.]

Thursday 26th May 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Vehicle Excise and Registration Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to vehicle excise duty and the registration of vehicles; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Vehicle Excise and Registration Bill [Lords].—The Vehicle Excise and Registration Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday 14th June and to be printed [Bill 124].

5 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Thursday 16th June, the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Third Reading of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords] not later than Seven o'clock.—(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

6 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee),—Ordered, That Mr Gordon Prentice be added to the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the Lords as the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments. —(Mr Andrew MacKay.)

7 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew MacKay);

8 Royal Assent,—The Deputy Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses:

Insolvency (No. 2) Act 1994
Intelligence Services Act 1994
Church of Scotland (Properties and Investments) Order Confirmation Act 1994

9 Adjournment,—The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn;

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Tuesday 14th June, pursuant to the Resolution yesterday.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Thursday 26th May 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education,—(1) Education (School Information) (England) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1421), and
   dated 25th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

2 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service Trusts (Membership and Procedure) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1408), dated 23rd May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Road Traffic,—(1) Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Borough of Richmond upon Thames) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1377),
   (2) Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Boroughs of Bromley, Hammersmith and Fulham and Lewisham) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1376), and
   (3) Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Boroughs of Camden, Hackney and Hounslow) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1378),
   dated 19th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:

4 Children,—Report by the Secretary of State for Health and the Secretary of State for Wales on the Children Act 1989 for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2584] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 Erskine Bridge Tolls,—Accounts of the Erskine Bridge Tolls for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 443] [Clerk of the House].

6 Health and Personal Social Services,—Summary of Health and Personal Social Services and Northern Ireland Health Promotion Agency Accounts for 1991-92 [by Command] [Cm. 2578] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

7 National Audit,—Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on Inland Revenue: Getting tax right first time and dealing with more complex postal queries [by Act]; to be printed [No. 442] [Clerk of the House].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Education on the Petition [9th March] from residents of North East England for propagating Judaeo-Christian traditions in primary schools [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Railways,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 26th May 1994 on borrowing by European Passenger Services Limited [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 89-vii] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

2 Health,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 26th May; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Committee
   to be printed [Nos. 288-vii and 288-vi] [Mrs Marion Roe].
PRAYERS.

1 Writ issued during the Adjournment.—The Speaker acquainted the House that, during the Adjournment, she had issued a warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Burgh Constituency of Monklands East in the room of the Right honourable John Smith, QC, deceased.

2 Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz:
   Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords].
   Bill to be read a second time.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
   City of Westminster Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision for the control of unlicensed sex establishments in the City of Westminster and to relieve the Westminster City Council of their statutory duty to establish a new county primary school at Moxon Street in the City of Westminster; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

6 City of Westminster Bill [Lords],—The City of Westminster Bill [Lords] was read the first time.
   Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

7 Public Conveniences Bill,—The Order for reading the Public Conveniences Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.
   Bill withdrawn.

8 New Member makes Affirmation,—Margaret Eve Hodge, Member for Barking, made the Affirmation required by law.

9 New Members sworn,—
   Gerard Sutcliffe, Esquire, Member for Bradford South, was sworn.
   Judith Ann Church, Member for Dagenham, was sworn.
   David William George Chidgey, Esquire, Member for Eastleigh, was sworn.
   Stephen Cresswell Timms, Esquire, Member for Newham North East, was sworn.

10 Defence,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Army, Air Force and Naval Discipline Acts (Continuation) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Wood): It was agreed to.

11 Regulation of Cosmetic Surgery,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish registration procedures for cosmetic surgeons in order to set minimum standards of training and practice; and for related purposes: And that Mrs Ann Clwyd, Mr Chris Mullin, Alice Mahon, Dawn Primarolo, Emma Nicholson, Mrs Teresa Gorman, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours, Helen Jackson, Mr Elliot Morley, Mr Brian Sedgemore and Ms Angela Eagle do prepare and bring it in.

12 Regulation of Cosmetic Surgery Bill,—Mrs Ann Clwyd accordingly presented a Bill to establish registration procedures for cosmetic surgeons in order to set minimum standards of training and practice; and for related purposes; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 125].
13 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Wood);

The Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

14 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

15 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Hertfordshire and users of the A10 trunk road for building of the A10 Wadesmill—High Cross—Colliers End by-pass was presented and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

16 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fifteen minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 137 (Presentation of command papers):

1 Police,—Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland for 1993 [Cm. 2587] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments):

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

27th May 1994

2 Education,—(1) Cleveland Tertiary College (Incorporation) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1434), and

(2) Cleveland Tertiary College (Government) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1435), dated 26th May 1994 [Mr Secretary Patten].

3 Rating and Valuation,—Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (England) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1431), dated 26th May 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

1st June 1994

4 European Communities,—European Communities (Designation) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1327), dated 18th May 1994 [Mr Tony Newton].

5 Local Government,—Local Authorities (Goods and Services) (Public Bodies) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1389), dated 21st May 1994 [Mr Secretary Gummer].

2nd June 1994


7 Plant Health,—Plant Health Fees (Scotland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1441), dated 24th May 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

3rd June 1994

8 Food,—Milk and Dairies and Milk (Special Designation) (Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1446), dated 31st May 1994 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

6th June 1994


7th June 1994

16 Education,—(1) Coleg Menai (Government) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1450),

(2) Education (Further Education Corporations) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1449), and

(3) Education (Gwynedd Technical College and Coleg Pencraig) (Dissolution) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1478),
dated 28th May 1994 [Mr Secretary Redwood].


18 Police,— Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), No. 189), dated 9th May 1994

(2) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Full-time) (Appointment and Conditions of Service) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 187), dated 9th May 1994, and

(3) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Part-time) (Appointment and Conditions of Service) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.R. (N.I.), 1994, No. 188), dated 22nd April 1994 [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

8th June 1994

19 Insurance,—(1) Insurance Companies (Accounts and Statements) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1515), and

(2) Insurance Companies Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1516), dated 7th June 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].


21 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1442), dated 24th May 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

9th June 1994

22 Civil Aviation,—Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) (Third Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1468), dated 2nd June 1994 [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


26 Income Tax,—(1) Private Medical Insurance (Disentitlement to Tax Relief and Approved Benefits) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1518), dated 8th June 1994, and


10th June 1994

27 Agriculture,—(1) Home-Grown Cereals Authority (Rate of Levy) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1424), dated 20th May 1994, and


30 National Health Service.— National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1535), dated 9th June 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


32 River.— (1) Diseases of Fish (Control) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1447), and
(2) Fish Health (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1448),
dated 26th May 1994 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

33 Seeds.— Oil and Fibre Plant Seeds (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1423),
dated 18th May 1994 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

34 Children and Young Persons.— Children’s Homes Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1511), dated 6th June 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


(2) Road Traffic (Special Parking Area) (City of London) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1491), dated 6th June 1994


(22) Road Traffic (Special Parking Area) (Royal Borough of Kingston-upon-Thames) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1497), dated 6th June 1994

(23) Road Traffic (Special Parking Areas) (London Borough of Barnet) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1505), dated 6th June 1994, and


[Mr Secretary MacGregor].


Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Tuesday 14th June 1994:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

39 Agriculture,—Draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

40 Animals,—Draft Welfare of Livestock Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

41 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Measure passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, entitled Church of England (Legal Aid Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 456] [Clerk of the House].

42 Competition,—Anti-Competitive Practices (Exclusions) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1557), dated 14th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

43 Housing,—Draft Stonebridge Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

44 Local Government,—Draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

45 Monopolies and Mergers,—Draft Fair Trading Act (Amendment) (Merger Prenotification) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

46 Northern Ireland,—(1) Draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, and

(2) draft Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

47 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Draft Alcan Aluminium UK Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(2) draft British Gas plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(3) draft British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(4) draft Caledonian MacBrayne Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(5) draft Electricity Generators (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(6) draft Forth Ports plc (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(7) draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(8) draft Lochaber Power Company (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(9) draft Mercury Communications Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(10) draft Railways (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(11) draft Scottish Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(12) draft Scottish Nuclear Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994

(13) draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, and

(14) draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

48 Charities, — Draft Charities (National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

49 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, — Statute made by the University of Oxford on 22nd February 1994 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

50 University of London, — Statute made by the University of London on 16th February 1994 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:


52 Census of Production, — Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on— (1) Domestic-type electric appliances, and (2) Mining machinery, construction and mechanical handling equipment [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

53 Census (Scotland), — (1) Monitors of the General Register Office Scotland for Wards and Civil Parishes in— (i) Grampian Region, and (ii) Strathclyde Region, and (2) Reports of the General Register Office Scotland on— (i) Economic Activity in Scotland, and (ii) Gaelic Language in Scotland, for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

54 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures), — Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee on the Church of England (Legal Aid) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 457] [Clerk of the House].

55 Coal Industry, — Report of the Domestic Coal Consumers’ Council for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

56 Courts and Legal Services, — Report of the Legal Services Ombudsman for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 448] [Mr John M. Taylor].

57 Employment Protection, — Report of the Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

58 Law Commissions, — Two statements made by the Lord Chancellor with regard to the pension provisions of a Commissioner of the Law Commission [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

59 National Health Service, — Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State on— (1) the 6th June 1994 on borrowing by Furness Hospitals National Health Service Trust, (2) the 6th June 1994 on borrowing by Pinderfields Hospitals National Health Service Trust, (3) the 7th June 1994 on borrowing by Plymouth Hospitals National Health Service Trust, (4) the 7th June 1994 on borrowing by Priority Healthcare Wearsides National Health Service Trust, (5) the 6th June 1994 on borrowing by Salford Royal Hospitals National Health Service Trust, and (6) the 6th June 1994 on borrowing by York Health Services National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].
60 Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions,—Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Hong Kong Locally Engaged Ratings’ Service Pensions Increase) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

61 New Roads and Street Works,—Report for 1993 under section 18 of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

62 Pensions,—List of exceptional awards sanctioned by H.M. Treasury to disabled members and the dependants of deceased members of the armed forces for 1993-94 [by Statutory Instrument] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

63 Policy Holders’ Protection,—Statements by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on the liquidation of the—
   (1) El Paso Insurance Company Limited,
   (2) Kingscroft Insurance Company Limited,
   (3) Lime Street Insurance Company Limited,
   (4) Mutual Reinsurance Company Limited,
   (5) Trinity Insurance Company Limited, and
   (6) Wallbrook Insurance Company Limited
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

64 Public Petitions,—Observations by—
   (1) the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs on the Petition [26th April] from Mark Richard Franchi for representations to be made concerning the imprisonment of Mustapha Khalifa in the Syrian Arab Republic,
   (2) the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [16th May] from residents of Nottingham for changes in the way in which the Child Support Act is administered, and
   (3) the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [11th January] from residents of Thornaby-on-Tees for the town to have its own postal code
[by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

65 University of London Bill,—Report by the Attorney General on the University of London Bill [by Standing Order] [Mr Attorney General].

Paper withdrawn:

66 Agriculture,—Draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994 [laid 24th May].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 14th June; to be printed [No. 233-ix] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Members’ Interests,—(1) Second Report from the Select Committee on Members’ Interests [Registration of Lloyd’s Syndicates] with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report; and
   (2) Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Members’ Interests on 17th May;
   to be printed [Nos. 353 and 353-ii] [Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith].

[No. 114.]

Wednesday 15th June 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr Peter Ainsworth reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was
referred, That it had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 15th June.

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 467-I].

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 467-II].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 467-II].

3 Standing Orders.—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee the following Resolution:

That, in the case of the Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill, Petition for Additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: That the Parties be permitted to insert their Additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The Resolution was agreed to.

4 Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Welsh Grand Committee.—Mr Roy Hughes reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That it had considered the Matter of education standards in Wales, referred to it on 16th February, and the Matter of health care in Wales, referred to it on 25th May, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 466].

6 European Standing Committee B,—Sir James Kilfedder reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4187/94 and the Unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 23rd May 1994, relating to vocational training (LEONARDO DA VINCI programme); shares the Government’s view that appropriate transnational actions on vocational training can add value to national training activities by enabling exchanges of best practice; and endorses the Government’s view that such actions must be cost-effective and fully in line with subsidiarity, in particular as regards consistency with the recognition in Treaty Article 127 that Member States are responsible for the content and organisation of vocational training.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Order for consideration of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be considered on Friday 15th July.

8 Marriage Bill,—Mr Gyles Brandreth, supported by Mrs Angela Browning, Mr Ian McCartney, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Robert Jackson, Mrs Angela Knight, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Rod Richards, Mr Raymond S. Robertson and Mr Keith Vaz, presented a Bill to amend the Marriage Act 1949 so as to enable civil marriages to be solemnized on premises approved for the purpose by local authorities and so as to provide for further cases in which marriages may be solemnized in registration districts in which neither party to the marriage resides; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th June and to be printed [Bill 126].

9 Scottish Estimates.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 96 (Scottish estimates), That the Estimates set out hereunder be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee:

Class XIV Vote 17 Education, Arts and Libraries, Scotland
Class XIV Vote 18 Student Awards, Scotland.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes):—It was agreed to.

10 Hereditary Peers (Democratic Rights),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the right of hereditary peers and peeresses to sit in the House of Lords; to establish their right to vote in general elections and to stand for election to the House of Commons; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Bruce Grocott, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr George Foulkes, Kate Hoey, Mr George Howarth, Mr John Hutton, Mr Chris Mullin, Mr Ken Purchase, Mr Jeff Rooker and Mr Ernie Ross do prepare and bring it in.

11 Hereditary Peers (Democratic Rights) Bill,—Mr Bruce Grocott accordingly presented a Bill to abolish the right of hereditary peers and peeresses to sit in the House of Lords; to establish their right to vote in general elections and to stand for election to the House of
Commons; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 127].

12 Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be considered in the following order, namely, New Clause No. 2, New Clause No. 11, New Clause No. 1, government New Clauses, amendments to Clauses and amendments to Schedules.—(Mr Secretary Redwood.)

A Clause (Transfer of communities) (Dr John Marek)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Referendum on boundaries (No. 2)) (Mr Ron Davies)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Alan Meale: 246.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bowen Wells, Mr Sydney Chapman: 277.

Another Clause (Functions of the principality as a local government area) (Mr Rhodri Morgan)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Eric Illsley: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Bowen Wells: 280.

Another Clause (Magistrates' courts, justices of the peace etc.) (Mr Gwilym Jones)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Area committees: safeguards) (Sir Wyn Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Area committees: membership etc.) (Mr Secretary Redwood)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Sub-committees of area committees) (Mr Secretary Redwood)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Financing of local government in Wales) (Mr Dafydd Wigley)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

13 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn (Mr James Arbuthnot);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 15th June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Sea Fisheries.—Fishing Vessels (Decommissioning) Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1568), dated 15th June 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Income Tax.—Taxes (Interest Rate) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994 No. 1567), dated 14th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

3 Social Security.—Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1553), dated 13th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
Other Papers:

4 Census of Production, — Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
   (1) Cement, lime and plaster,
   (2) Medical and surgical equipment and orthopaedic appliances,
   (3) Optical precision instruments and photographic equipment,
   (4) Photographic and cinematographic processing laboratories,
   (5) Processing of plastics, and
   (6) Rubber products
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

5 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors, — Account of the English National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 445] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 Public Petitions, — Observations by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the Petitions [28th April] from—
   (1) citizens of the United Kingdom to improve the conditions for horses sent abroad for slaughter, and
   (2) members of the British Rabbit Council for a vaccine against viral haemorrhagic disease in rabbits to be made available
[by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 347-vi] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Education, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 454-i] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 European Legislation, — Twenty-first Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xxi] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

4 Foreign Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 28-ii] [Mr David Howell].

5 Home Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 302-iv] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Northern Ireland Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 417-iii] [Sir James Kilfedder].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 15th June; to be printed [No. 42-viii] [Mr James Pawsey].

8 Public Accounts, — (1) Twenty-eighth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Inland Revenue: Account Matters]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 229];
   (2) Twenty-ninth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Data Protection Controls and Safeguards]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 49];
   (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 15th June; to be printed [No. 469-i]; and
   (4) Memorandum laid before the Committee of Public Accounts
[Mr Robert Sheldon].

9 Science and Technology, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 422-ii] [Sir Giles Shaw].

10 Social Security, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 470-i] [Mr Frank Field].

11 Trade and Industry, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 220-iv] [Mr Richard Caborn].
12 Treasury and Civil Service.—(1) Fourth Special Report from Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Proposed Attitude Survey of the Civil Service]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 460]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 15th June; to be printed [No. 236-xiv]

[Mr John Watts].

MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 15th June 1994

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr John Maxton Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates (Class XIV Vote 17 and Class XIV Vote 18) and

(2) Mr James Hill Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 10635/93, relating to guarantees for consumer goods and after sales service.

[No. 115.]

Thursday 16th June 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

2 Federation of Street Traders' Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders' Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 23rd June.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Iain Mills reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1994 and the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 23rd May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 472].

6 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Roland Boyes reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1302), referred to a Committee on 24th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 473].

7 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Patrick Thompson reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 24th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 471].

8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Parliamentary Commissioner Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Antarctic Bill, without Amendment.

9 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the
draft Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew MacKay):—It was agreed to.

10 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew MacKay):—It was agreed to.

11 Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned debate on the Question proposed yesterday, on consideration of the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee, That the Clause (Financing of local government in Wales) be read a second time.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate. Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Right to notice of termination of employment)—(Mr Rhodri Morgan)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Elfyn Llwyd: 76.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew MacKay: 160.

Another Clause (Guidance for planning)—(Mr Rhodri Morgan)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 10) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 18, to leave out the words 'Parts I and II' and insert the word 'Part I', instead thereof.—(Mr Rhodri Morgan.)

Question proposed That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 41 to 47) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 48) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 11, to leave out the words 'Caerdydd and Abertawe' and insert the words 'Abertawe, Caerdydd and Powys', instead thereof.—(Mr Gwilym Jones.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Derek Conway: 128.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Paul Flynn: 35.

Other Amendments (Nos. 49, 50, 103 and 51 to 53) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 19, to leave out lines 21 to 45.—(Mr Paul Murphy.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 56 to 66, 104, 67 to 72, 105 to 111, 73, 112 and 75 to 86) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 19) proposed to the Bill, in page 103, line 29, to leave out the words 'nor more than 7'.—(Mr Rhodri Morgan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 87 to 98, 113 and 114) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Bowen Wells: 117.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones: 20.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

12 Intra-Community Trade in Bovine Animals and Swine.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4168/94, and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Minister
of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 6th May, relating to intra-community trade in bovine animals and swine; and supports the Government's objective of ensuring that the rules protect the health status of the United Kingdom, and the Community as a whole, and sustain the United Kingdom's existing export market.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

13 1992 Budget Discharge and Fraud in the Community.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 16th March 1994, relating to the discharge of the general budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1992 and of European Community Documents Nos. 6214/94, the Commission's report on the fight against fraud in the Community in 1993, and 6214/94 ADD I, the Commission's report on its anti-fraud strategy and work programme for 1994; and strongly supports the Government's policy of securing sound financial management in the Community, including combating fraud against the Community's financial interests.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

14 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Resolved, That the Care of Cathedrals (Supplementary Provisions) Measure, passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, be presented to Her Majesty for Her Royal Assent in the form in which the said Measure was laid before Parliament.—(Mr Michael Alison.)

15 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Sylvia and Roy Anderson for restoration of reception of BBC Radio Shropshire to parts of the county was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

16 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.7 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 16th June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Fees and Charges,—Draft Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Oxford on 22nd March 1994 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

3 Appropriations in Aid,—Treasury Minute, dated 16th June 1994, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes specified in the Revised Estimates, Summer Supplementary Estimates and New Estimates for 1994-95 [by Act] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

4 Audit (Northern Ireland),—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland on the Department of Agriculture: Science Service—Research and Development [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 425] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

5 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—

(1) Clocks, watches and other timing devices, and
(2) Ice cream, cocoa, chocolate and sugar confectionery
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

6 Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance,—Report on Legal Aid in Northern Ireland for 1992-93 [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 426] [Mr John M. Taylor].

7 National Audit,—Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on Land Reclamation in Wales [by Act]; to be printed [No. 461] [Clerk of the House].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Defence on the Petition [7th December 1993] from residents of North Devon for the retention of RAF Chivenor [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
9 Supply Estimates, 1994-95. — Revised Estimates, Summer Supplementary Estimates and New Estimates for 1994-95 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 447] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

10 Water Industry. — Report of the Director General of Water Services for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 416] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health. — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 16th June; to be printed [No. 288-viii] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 Scottish Affairs. — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 13th and 14th June; to be printed [Nos. 230-viii and ix] [Mr William McKelvey].

[No. 116.]

Friday 17th June 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers. — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 The United Kingdom and Competitiveness. — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House recognises that it is only through the competitiveness of the United Kingdom that wealth is generated, and calls for a flexible business-friendly environment which encourages aggressive exporting, investment and innovation at home and abroad, unencumbered by excessive regulation, high social wage costs and statutory minimum wages— (Mrs Jacqui Lait);

Notice having been taken that strangers were present, the Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Martyn Jones: 0.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 51.

So the Question was negatived.

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

3 Homicide (Defence of Provocation) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Homicide (Defence of Provocation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

4 Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords]. — The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be considered on Friday 8th July.

5 Treasure Bill [Lords]. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Treasure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 8th July.

6 Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 1st July.

7 State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords]. — The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the State Hospitals (Scotland) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

8 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Friday 1st July.
9 Business of the House.—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(1) at the sitting on Monday 20th June, put the Question on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Heseltine relating to the draft Insurance Companies (Third Insurance Directives) Regulations 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it has been entered upon; and the said Motion may be proceeded with, though opposed, after Ten o'clock; and

(2) at the sitting on Monday 27th June, put the Questions on the Motions in the name of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to the draft Ports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 and the draft Ports (Northern Ireland Consequential Provisions) Order 1994 not later than Seven o'clock.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

10 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr James Arbuthnot);

And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then one minute past Three o'clock, till Monday 20th June.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 17th June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Education,—Draft Education (Inter-authority Recoupment) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Civil Aviation,—Civil Aviation (Canadian Navigation Services) (Fifth Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1601), dated 16th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 Education,—Education (Mandatory Awards) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1606), dated 16th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

Other Papers:

4 Development of Tourism,—Statement of determination of revised salary of the Chairman and members of the Scottish Tourist Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 Duchies of Lancaster and Cornwall,—Revenue and Capital Accounts of the Duchy of Cornwall for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 415] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

6 Miscellaneous (No. 32, 1994),—International Coffee Agreement, 1994 open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from April 18th 1994 until and including 26th September 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2597] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on Johnston Press plc and Halifax Courier Holdings Limited [by Command] [Cm. 2596] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Opposition Day [13th allotted day: first part],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the leader of the second largest opposition party in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

   Reform of Parliamentary Procedure,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes the increasing public contempt for Parliament; believes that its organisation and procedures are anachronistic and irrelevant to the concerns of modern British society; notes with concern the Government's systematic erosion of Parliament's role in the consideration of legislation and its ability to hold the Executive to account for its actions; notes with particular concern the Government's use of civil servants for party political purposes; and calls for urgent and comprehensive reform of Parliament, including changes to the format of Prime Minister's Question Time.—(Mr Paul Tyler);

   An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'congratulates the Government for its initiative in setting up the Select Committee on Sittings of the House (the Jopling Committee); supports the objectives of making agreed improvements in the House's hours of sittings and working methods; and welcomes the Prime Minister's recent statement reaffirming the Government's commitment to progress on parliamentary reform', instead thereof. (Mr Tony Newton.)

   And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Nigel Jones: 44.
   Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 187.

   So the Question was negatived.

   And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 160.
   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Dennis Skinner: 54.

   So the Question was agreed to.

   The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

   Resolved, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiative in setting up the Select Committee on Sittings of the House (the Jopling Committee); supports the objectives of making agreed improvements in the House's hours of sittings and working methods; and welcomes the Prime Minister's recent statement reaffirming the Government's commitment to progress on parliamentary reform.

4 The Speaker's Absence,—Ordered, That the Speaker have leave of absence on Friday 24th June to attend in her constituency upon Her Majesty.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

5 Trade Marks Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Trade Marks Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

   Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 36, to leave out lines 41 to 47. — (Mr Nigel Griffiths.)

   Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

   A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read a third time;

   Mr Roger Freeman, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

   And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

   The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.
Resolved, That the draft Insurance Companies (Third Insurance Directives) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 24th May, be approved. (Mr Neil Hamilton.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4187/94 and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 23rd May 1994, relating to vocational training (Leonardo da Vinci programme); shares the Government's view that appropriate transnational actions on vocational training can add value to national training activities by enabling exchanges of best practice; and endorses the Government's view that such actions must be cost-effective and fully in line with subsidiarity, in particular as regards consistency with the recognition in Treaty Article 127 that member states are responsible for the content and organisation of vocational training. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope). It was agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House approves for approval for the purposes of Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), the draft Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 3rd May, be approved. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope). It was agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope). It was agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Industrial Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope). It was agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Farm and Conservation Grant (Variation) Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1302), dated 13th May 1994, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th May, be approved. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope). It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes be discharged from the Select Committee on Members' Interests and Mr Bill Etherington and Mr Andrew Mitchell be added to the Committee. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope).

Ordered, That Mr Andrew F. Bennett be added to the Liaison Committee. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes past Nine o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Adjourned at 9.6 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Monday 20th June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


2. Road Traffic,—Road Traffic (Special Parking Area) (London Borough of Tower Hamlets) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1613), dated 20th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:

3. Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
   (1) foundries,
   (2) machinery for the food, chemical and related industries; process engineering contractors, and
   (3) metal-working machine tools and engineers' tools
   [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
4 Legal Aid,—Report of the Legal Aid Board to the Lord Chancellor on the Report and Finance of the Legal Aid Act 1988 for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 435] [Mr John M. Taylor].

5 Post Office,—Report and Accounts of the Post Office for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

6 Sex Discrimination,—Report of the Equal Opportunities Commission for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Northern Ireland Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 20th June; to be printed [No. 417-iv] [Sir James Kilfedder].

2 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 20th June; to be printed [Nos. 490-i and 491-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 118.]

Tuesday 21st June 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords].—The Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

2 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Scottish Estimates,—Mr John Maxton reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Estimates, Class XIV, Votes 17 and 18, referred to it on 15th June, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 497].

5 Education Bill [Lords].—Sir David Knox reported from Standing Committee E, That it had gone through the Education Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 132].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 503].

6 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 24th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 494].

7 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Value Added Tax Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to value added tax, including certain enactments relating to VAT tribunals; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Chiropractors Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dunham Bridge (Amendment) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Value Added Tax Bill [Lords].—The Value Added Tax Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 133].

Contaminated Land Bill,—The Order for reading the Contaminated Land Bill a second time on Friday 15th July was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

8 Sir Clifford Boulton, GCB, Clerk of the House of Commons.—The Speaker informed the House that she had received a letter from Sir Clifford Boulton, GCB, Clerk of the House of Commons, which she read to the House, as follows:
I am writing to confirm to you my decision to retire as Clerk of the House on 31st October of this year.

While not immune from the general reluctance to leave the House of Commons voluntarily, I feel that after 41 years' service, 17 as a Clerk at the Table and seven as Clerk of the House, it is time to move on.

During my service there has been a constant need to adjust the House's procedures and patterns of work in response to increased demands, and to constitutional change. In addition, the House has taken control of its own finances and administration, through the House of Commons Commission.

I believe that the House staff at all levels have responded well to these demands, and I should like to express my personal gratitude to them for all they have done. In particular, I wish to say how much I have appreciated the support and friendship of successive Speakers, and of Members in all parts of the House. The House of Commons is one of the most resilient and effective Parliamentary Chambers in the world. It is a great honour to have been its principal servant.

11 Sports (Discrimination) Bill, —Mr David Hinchliffe, supported by Mr Ian McCartney, Mr Gary Waller, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Allan Rogers, Mr Terry Rooney, Mr Neil Gerrard, Dr Norman A. Godman, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Alan Williams (Swansea West), Kate Hoey and Mr Tom Pendry, presented a Bill to make it unlawful for any rule-making body for a sport to discriminate against persons who have participated, are participating or are expected to participate in any other lawful sport, and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 1st July and to be printed [Bill 129].

12 Agriculture, —A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.— (Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

13 Northern Ireland, —A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Betting and Lotteries (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.— (Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

14 Northern Ireland, —A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.— (Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

15 Local Government, —A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.— (Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

16 Weights and Measures, —A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures (Cosmetic Products) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.— (Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

17 Weights and Measures, —A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.— (Mr Derek Conway):—It was agreed to.

18 Street Disorder and Begging Law Reform, —A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Vagrancy Act 1824 and to create a new offence of intimidatory begging— (Mr Peter Butler); And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Sykes, Mr Jonathan Evans: 76.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Jeremy Corbyn: 148.

So the Question was negatived.
19 Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 3 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 4.
Amendments ((a) and (b)) were made to the Lords Amendment.
The Lords Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 5 to 81 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendments Nos. 40 and 41.

20 Sunday Trading Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Sunday Trading Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 6 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 7.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Sir George Gardiner, Mr Michael Fabricant: 246.
Tellers for the Noes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr William O’Brien: 191.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 8 was agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 9.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Fabricant, Mr Michael Brown: 160.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Alton, Mr Stuart Bell: 293.

So the Question was negatived.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 10 and 11 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 12.
Amendment made to the Lords Amendment, in line 1, to leave out the words '(ba) or (bb)' and insert the words 'or (ba)',—(Mr Peter Lloyd.)
The Lords Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 13 to 43 were agreed to.

Ordered. That a Committee be appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment No. 9; that Mr James Arbuthnot, Dr Liam Fox, Mr Peter Lloyd, Mr Alan Meale and Joan Ruddock be members of the Committee; that three be the Quorum of the Committee; and that the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(Mr Peter Lloyd.)

21 Sunday Trading Bill,—Mr Peter Lloyd reported from the Committee appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment No. 9 to the Sunday Trading Bill, That it had drawn up the following Reason accordingly, which it had directed him to report to the House:

'The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords, in page 4, line 46, for the following Reason:

Because the Commons do not consider it desirable to exempt shops of the kind described in the amendment from restrictions on Sunday opening.'
The Reason was agreed to.
Message to the Lords to communicate the said Reason, with the Bill and Amendment.
22 Adjournment.—**Resolved,** That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes to Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.58 p.m.]

**APPENDIX I**

*Tuesday 21st June 1994*

**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**

**Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:**

1 International Immunities and Privileges,—Draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunies and Privileges) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:**

2 National Health Service,—(1) Blackburn, Hyndburn and Ribble Valley Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1559),

(2) CommuniCare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1560),

(3) Harrow and Hillingdon Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1561),

(4) Leeds Community and Mental Health Services Teaching National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1562),

(5) Maidstone Priority Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1563), and

(6) Peterborough Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1564), dated 14th June 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

**Other Papers:**


4 Overseas Development and Co-operation,—Departmental Minute, dated 21st June 1994, concerning the proposed gifting of surplus stockpiled biscuits held by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food [by Command] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

5 Policyholders’ Protection,—Statement by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on the liquidation of Municipal Mutual Insurance Limited [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

6 Registration Service,—Report of the Registrar General on births and patterns of family building in England and Wales for 1992 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

**APPENDIX II**

**Reports from Select Committees**

Statutory Instruments,—Twenty-first Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xxii] [Mr Roy Thomason].

[No. 119.]

*Wednesday 22nd June 1994.*

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

**PRAYERS.**

1 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords] be considered to-morrow.

2 University of London Bill,—The Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the University of London Bill and had amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.
Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 European Standing Committee B,—Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 10635/93 relating to guarantees for consumer goods and after sales service; endorses the Government's response to the Commission; and notes that the Commission invited views on this Green Paper by 30th April; regrets that the debate did not take place in good time as recommended by the Select Committee on European Legislation on 19th January; and agrees that debates of this sort must take place before the Government submits a response to the Commission.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Coal Industry Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

8 Coal Industry Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Coal Industry Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 135].

9 Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill,—The Order for reading the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

10 Contaminated Land (Remediation) Bill,—Mr Robert Ainsworth, supported by Mr Geoffrey Robinson, Mr Jim Cunningham, Estelle Morris, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Cynog Dafis, Ann Coffey, Mr Robert Litherland, Mr George Howarth and Mr Harry Barnes, presented a Bill to make provision for the improved clean-up of contaminated land: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 130].

11 Identity Cards,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for a national identity card scheme, and for connected purposes—(Mr Harold Elletson);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Sykes, Mr Andrew Robathan: 89.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 113.

So the Question was negatived.

12 Opposition Day [14th allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Government Policy on Overseas Aid and Development,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes the projected decline in aid to developing countries, in real terms, over the next two years; the failure to target aid on those in greatest need, highlighted by the Pergau Dam affair; the failure to respond adequately to emergencies such as the current holocaust in Rwanda and the absence of any clear, co-ordinated strategy for promoting effective and sustainable development that benefits the poorest people in developing countries and assists those countries in dealing with the problems caused by debt repayments and adverse terms of trade; and calls on the Government to bring forward a White Paper on Overseas Development at the earliest opportunity—(Mr Tom Clarke);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'supports the Government's clear strategy to support sustainable economic and social development, particularly in the poorest countries; commends the lead the Prime Minister has taken through his Trinidad Terms initiative, from which 22 countries now benefit, to reduce the debt burden of developing countries; welcomes the role played by the Government in the successful
conclusion of the GATT Uruguay round, which will improve trading opportunities for developing countries and help them generate more of the resources they need for their development; commends its substantial and effective aid programme and in particular the use it makes of the expertise of British institutions, companies and non-governmental organisations; and welcomes the fact that the Government now publishes more information about the aid programme than ever before', instead thereof. (Mr Alastair Goodlad)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question;
Mr Alan Meale rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put. And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.
And the Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Eric Illsley: 232.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Bowen Wells: 295.
So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House supports the Government's clear strategy to support sustainable economic and social development, particularly in the poorest countries; commends the lead the Prime Minister has taken through his Trinidad Terms initiative, from which 22 countries now benefit, to reduce the debt burden of developing countries; welcomes the role played by the Government in the successful conclusion of the GATT Uruguay round, which will improve trading opportunities for developing countries and help them generate more of the resources they need for their development; commends its substantial and effective aid programme and in particular the use it makes of the expertise of British institutions, companies and non-governmental organisations; and welcomes the fact that the Government now publishes more information about the aid programme than ever before.

13 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of and visitors to Ambleside against over-development of the centre of the town was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.49 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Wednesday 22nd June 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 National Health Service,—(1) Bromley Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1572),
(2) Gloucestershire Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1571),
(3) Mid Kent Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1573),
(4) North West Anglia Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1576),
(5) Shropshire's Mental Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1574), and
(6) Wellhouse National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1575),
dated 14th June 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 Transport,—Railways Act 1993 (Consequential Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1649), dated 22nd June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].
Other Papers:

3 Census, — Report of the Office of Population Censuses and Survey and the General Register Office Scotland on Key Statistics for Local Authorities — Great Britain for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

4 Health, — Government Response to the First Report from the Health Committee, Session 1993-94, entitled Better Off in the Community? The Care of People who are Seriously Mentally Ill [by Command] [Cm. 2588] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 Industrial Organisation and Development, — Report and Accounts of the Scottish Seed Potato Development Council for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

6 Miscellaneous (No. 33, 1994), — Draft Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Molecular Biology Laboratory concerning the European Bioinformatics Institute [by Command] [Cm. 2595] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 Prisons, — Prison Statistics for England and Wales for 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 2581] [Mr Secretary Howard].

8 Statutory Instruments (Notification), — Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into force before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:


APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994, viz.: Ms Diane Abbott, Mr Tony Baldry, Mr Hartley Booth, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr Tim Devlin, Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes, Mr Doug Henderson, Margaret Hodge, Mr Geoffrey Hoon, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Ken Livingstone, Sir David Maudel, Mr Piers Merchant, Mr William Powell, Mr Tim Rathbone, Mr David Rendel, Mr Tim Renton and Mr Jimmy Wray.

2 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., in respect of the draft Betting and Lotteries (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Michael Ancram, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr James Couchman, Mr Nirj Joseph Deva, Sir Anthony Durant, Mr David Evans, Mr Nigel Evans, Sir Peter Fry, Mr Roger Gale, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Ken Livingstone, Sir Fergus Montgomery, Mr William O'Brien, Mr A. Cecil Walker and Mr Bowen Wells.

3 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., in respect of the draft Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Michael Ancram, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Sir Richard Body, Mr Dennis Canavan, Dr Michael Clark, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Keith Mans, Mr William O'Brien, Mr Mark Robinson, Mr Richard Shepherd, Sir Dudley Smith, Mr John D. Taylor, Mr George Walden and Mr Bowen Wells.

4 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Army, Air Force and Naval Discipline Acts (Continuation) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Peter Atkinson, Mr Spencer Batiste, Mr Menzies Campbell, Judith Church, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Tam Dalyell, Sir Peter Emery, Mr Mike Gapes, Mr Jeremy Hanley, Mr Charles Hendry, Mrs Jacqui Lait, Alice Malton, Mr Eric Martlew, Mr Greg Pope, Mr David Shaw, Sir Teddy Taylor and Mr David Willetts.

5 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c. in respect of the draft Weights and Measures (Cosmetic Products) Order 1994 and the draft Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Order 1994, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Ian Bruce,
APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence, — (1) Sixth Report from the Defence Committee [Statement on the Defence Estimates 1994], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report; and
(2) Third Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Response to the First Report from the Defence Committee, Session 1993-94 on the programme to replace or refurbish the Hercules transport aircraft]; and
(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 22nd June; to be printed [Nos. 68, 511, and 512-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

2 Education, — (1) Second Report from the Education Committee [The Disparity in Funding between Primary and Secondary Schools], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 45];
(2) Memoranda laid before the Education Committee; and
(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 22nd June; to be printed [No. 89-viii] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 22nd June; to be printed [No. 359-viii] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation, — (1) Twenty-second Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on European Legislation on 22nd June; to be printed [Nos. 48-xxii and 513-i] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Home Affairs, — (1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 22nd June; and
(2) Memoranda laid before the Home Affairs Committee; to be printed [Nos. 514-i and-ii] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Northern Ireland Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 22nd June; to be printed [No. 417-v] [Sir James Kilfedder].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 22nd June; to be printed [No. 504-i] [Mr James Pawsey].

8 Science and Technology, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 22nd June; to be printed [No. 422-iii] [Sir Giles Shaw].

9 Social Security, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 22nd June; to be printed [No. 470-ii] [Mr Frank Field].

10 Transport, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 22nd June; to be printed [No. 506-i] [Mr Paul Channon].

MEMORANDA
Wednesday 22nd June 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees, — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
(1) the draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
(2) the draft Betting and Lotteries (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
(3) the draft Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
(4) the draft Army, Air Force and Naval Discipline Acts (Continuation) Order 1994 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

(5) the draft Weights and Measures (Cosmetic Products) Order 1994 and the draft Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Order 1994 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Roger Sims Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994;

(2) Mrs Ann Winterton Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Betting and Lotteries (Northern Ireland) Order 1994;

(3) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994;

(4) Mr Patrick Thompson Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Army, Air Force and Naval Discipline Acts (Continuation) Order 1994;

(5) Mr Roland Boyes Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Weights and Measures (Cosmetic Products) Order 1994 and the draft Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Order 1994; and

(6) Dr John G. Blackburn Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 5074/94 relating to energy and economic and social cohesion.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:

(1) European Community Documents Nos. 11496/93, relating to a European vessel reporting system in Community waters; 5841/94, relating to ship safety and the control of pollution; and 6655/94, relating to training for maritime occupations to European Standing Committee A; and

(2) the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on 16th June 1994, relating to the conclusion of a partnership and co-operation agreement with Russia to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 120.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously enquired into is applicable thereto, viz:

City of Westminster Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

2 Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords].—A Motion being made, That the Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.
3 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered on Thursday 30th June.

4 Federation of Street Traders' Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders' Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 30th June.

5 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

6 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

7 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Commons Registration (East Sussex) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

9 Finance and Services,—Ordered, That part of the Minutes of Proceedings of the Finance and Services Committee on 21st June be printed [No. 518-I].

10 Monopolies and Mergers,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Fair Trading Act (Amendment) (Merger Prenotification) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes):—It was agreed to.

11 Competition,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Anti-Competitive Practices (Exclusions) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1557) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes):—It was agreed to.

12 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Robert G. Hughes);

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

13 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Southampton students for the maintenance of proper levels of funding for student grants was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes to Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.57 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 23rd June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Summer Time,—Draft Summer Time Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Social Security,—Income-related Benefits Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1608), dated 16th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

3 Education,—Accounts of the Education Assets Board for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 516] [Clerk of the House].

4 International Labour Conference,—Presentation of a Convention and a Recommendation adopted at the 80th Session of the International Labour Conference (1993) and the
proposed action by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the Convention and Recommendation [by Command] [Cm. 2604] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

5 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply of recorded music [by Command] [Cm. 2599] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

6 National Audit,—Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Department of Transport: Acquisition, Management and Disposal of Land and Property Purchased for Road Construction [by Act], to be printed [No. 492] [Clerk of the House].

7 Social Security,—Paper, entitled Security, Equality, Choice: The Future for Pensions (volumes I and II) [by Command] [Cm. Nos. 2594—I and—II] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

8 United Nations,—(1) South Africa (United Nations Arms Embargo) (Prohibited Transactions) Revocations Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1636), and
(2) United Nations Arms Embargos (Amendment) (Rwanda) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1637),
dated 22nd June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Ken Livingstone (nominated in respect of the draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994); and had appointed in substitution Mr Stephen Timms.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 23rd June; to be printed [No. 288-ix] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 National Heritage,—Fourth Report from the National Heritage Committee [Sports sponsorship and television coverage] together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 289] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

[No. 121.]
Friday 24th June 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 The Speaker's Absence,—The House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the Speaker's absence from this day's sitting, pursuant to leave given [20th June].

Whereupon Mr Michael Morris, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table.

PRAYERS.

2 The Chairman of Ways and Means took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

4 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Hillingdon against a further runway at Heathrow was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

5 United Kingdom Leisure Industry,—Resolved, That this House congratulates the Department of National Heritage on its first two years; recognises its contribution to the development of leisure in the United Kingdom; calls for a continuing debate on the purposes for which the proceeds of the National Lottery should be used; and expresses the hope that, in future, encouragement will thereby be given to the promotion of more active leisure pursuits.—(Mr Simon Coombs.)

6 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 1st July.

7 Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

8 Sale and Supply of Goods Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

9 Marriage Bill,—The Marriage Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

10 Business of the House,—Ordered, That—

(1) at the sitting on Monday 27th June, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 9 (Sittings of the House), the Motion for the Adjournment of the House in the name of the Prime Minister shall lapse at Seven o’clock; and

(2) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall—

(a) at the sitting on Tuesday 28th June, put the Questions on the Motions in the name of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to the draft Ports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 and the draft Ports (Northern Ireland Consequential Provisions) Order 1994 not later than three hours after the first such Motion has been entered upon or half-past Eleven o’clock, whichever is the earlier; and

(b) at the sitting on Thursday 30th June, put the Question on—

(i) the Motion in the name of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to the draft Northern Ireland Act 1974 (Interim Period Extension) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it has been entered upon;

(ii) the Motion in the name of Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew relating to the draft Civil Service (Management Functions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it has been entered upon; and

(iii) the Motion in the name of Mrs Gillian Shephard relating to the draft Welfare of Livestock Regulations 1994 not later than one and a half hours after it has been entered upon;

and the said Motions may be proceeded with, though opposed, after Ten o’clock. (Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

11 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday 27th June.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

**APPENDIX**

**Friday 24th June 1994**

**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**

**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:**

1 European Parliament,—(1) European Parliament (Pay and Pensions) Act 1979 (Section 3 (Amendment)) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1663), and

(2) European Parliamentary (United Kingdom Representatives) Pensions (Consolidation and Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1662), dated 21st June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

2 Sea Fisheries,—(1) Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Conservation Measures) (Amendment) (No. 6) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1680),

(2) Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Quota Measures) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1679), and


3 Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (EC Type Approval) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1570), dated 15th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

4 Sports Grounds and Sporting Events,—Football Spectators (Seating) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1666), dated 22nd June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
The Lords have agreed to the London Underground (Green Park) Bill; with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Picture Manipulation Bill,—The Order for reading the Picture Manipulation Bill a second time on Friday 15th July was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

5 Broadcasting,—Ordered, That part of the Minutes of Proceedings of the Broadcasting Committee on 27th June be printed [No. 533 -i].

6 Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Jon Owen Jones, supporting by Mr Nicholas Winterton, Mrs Ann Winterton, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Peter Viggers, Mr Ian McCartney, Jean Corston, Mildred Gordon, Mr Andrew Smith, Marjorie Mowlam, Mr Simon Hughes and Ms Liz Lynne, presented a Bill to secure a uniform provision of public lavatories by local authorities throughout the United Kingdom; to set certain minimum standards for such public lavatories; to require the provision of lavatories designed for persons with disabilities and the provision of nappy changing facilities; to make unlawful any discriminatory charging in respect of the use of local authority public lavatories; to make further provision in respect of turnstiles; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 128].

7 Fees and Charges,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew MacKay):—It was agreed to.

8 International Immunities and Privileges,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew MacKay):—It was agreed to.

9 Scottish Estimates,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 96 (Scottish estimates), That the Estimates set out hereunder be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee:

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11 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew MacKay);

And it being Seven o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put, pursuant to Order [24th June].
Northern Ireland, — Resolved, That the draft Appropriation (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 25th May, be approved. — (Sir John Wheeler.)

Health, — Ordered, That Mr Michael Bates be discharged from the Health Committee and Mr Jonathan Evans be added to the Committee. — (Sir Michael Neubert, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Social Security, — Ordered, That Jane Kennedy be discharged from the Social Security Committee and Kate Hoey be added to the Committee. — (Sir Michael Neubert, on behalf of Committee of Selection.)

Consolidation, &c., Bills, — Ordered, That Mr Kevin Hughes be discharged from the Select Committee to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords as the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills and Mr Stephen Timms be added to the Committee. — (Mr James Arbuthnot.)

Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for harsher sentencing of convicted criminals was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes to Twelve o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

APPENDIX I

Monday 27th June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Summer Time, — Draft Summer Time Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Electricity, — Electricity (Class Exemptions from the Requirement for a Licence) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1683), dated 23rd June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

3 Criminal Justice, — Report of the Parole Board for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 450] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 Criminal Justice (Scotland), — Paper, entitled Firm and Fair: Improving the Delivery of Justice in Scotland [by Command] [Cm. 2600] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 European Communities (No. 7, 1994), — Treaty, done at Corfu on 24th June 1994, between the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, the Kingdom of Spain, the French Republic, Ireland, the Italian Republic, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Portuguese Republic, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (Member States of the European Union) and the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden concerning the accession of the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union [by Command] [Cm. 2606] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

6 Provisional Orders (Scotland), — Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, That they have taken into consideration the Provisional Order for which a Petition, in accordance with the said Act and the General Orders thereunder, was presented to one of Her Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State on or before 27th March 1994, namely the Loch Leven and Lochaber Water Power Order, and are of the opinion that the Order should be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make with respect to the said Order [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 Royal Fine Art Commission, — Thirty-first report of the Royal Fine Art Commission, for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2583] [Mr Secretary Howard].
Paper withdrawn:

8 Summer Time, — Draft Summer Time Order 1994 [laid 23rd June].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 27th June; to be printed [No. 530-i] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

2 Public Accounts, — (1) Thirtieth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Ministry of Defence: The Award of the Contract for the Landing Platform for Helicopters]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 531];

   (2) Thirty-first Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Department of Transport: The First Sales of Trust Ports]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 225];

   (3) Thirty-second Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Sale of the British Technology Group]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 273]; and

   (4) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 27th June; to be printed [No. 532-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

3 Transport, — Memoranda laid before the Transport Committee [London’s Public Transport Investment Requirements]; to be printed [No. 534] [Mr Paul Channon].

[No. 123.]

Tuesday 28th June 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 University of London Bill, — The House proceeded to consider the University of London Bill, as amended in the Committee.

   Bill to be read the third time.

2 London Local Authorities Bill [Lords], — Mr Barry Field reported from the Committee on the London Local Authorities Bill [Lords], That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

   Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

3 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees, — A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords], — Mr Nicholas Winterton reported from Standing Committee D, That it had gone through the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 131].

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 538].

6 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr Roger Sims reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994, referred to a Committee on 21st June.

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 535].

7 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mrs Ann Winterton reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Betting and Lotteries (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 21st June.

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 536].
8 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 21st June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 541].

9 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Patrick Thompson reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Army, Air Force and Naval Discipline Acts (Continuation) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 14th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 543].

10 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for new covenants for title to be implied on dispositions of property; to amend the law with respect to certain matters arising in connection with the death of the owner of property; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed, without Amendment, to the Amendments made by this House to one of their Amendments to the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Bill.

11 Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords],—The Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 137].

12 Tampons (Safety),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for tampon packaging and advertisements for tampons to carry certain warnings and information, and to require the Secretary of State to make regulations for these purposes; to lay upon the Secretary of State duties with respect to research into, and publicity for, tampons and health; and for connected purposes—(Dawn Primarolo);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business): It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Dawn Primarolo, Maria Fyfe, Alice Mahon, Jean Corston, Clare Short, Helen Jackson, Mrs Ann Clwyd, Tessa Jowell, Ms Harriet Harman, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr Ian McCartney and Dr Lewis Moonie do prepare and bring in the Bill.

13 Tampons (Safety) Bill, Dawn Primarolo accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for tampon packaging and advertisements for tampons to carry certain warnings and information, and to require the Secretary of State to make regulations for these purposes; to lay upon the Secretary of State duties with respect to research into, and publicity for, tampons and health; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 136].

14 Coal Industry Bill, The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Coal Industry Bill.

Lords Amendment No. 1.

Amendment (b) proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 7, at the end to add the words—

'(iii) any such liabilities, including environmental liabilities, arise in relation to coal mines and abandoned coal mines, in which case those liabilities shall be transferred to the Authority on the restructuring date.'—(Mr Stuart Bell.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment to the Lords Amendment be made. The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 203.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Bowen Wells: 282.

So the Question was negatived.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Tim Eggar): — It was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

An Amendment (a) was made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment No. 1 disagreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 2.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Tim Eggar)—It was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

An Amendment (New Clause: Report on financial assistance for coal-mining museums) was made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment No. 2 disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 3 to 22 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendment No. 16.

Lords Amendment No. 23.

An Amendment (a) was made to the Lords Amendment.

The Lords Amendment, so amended, was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 24 to 36 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendments Nos. 24, 25 and 28.

Lords Amendment No. 37.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Tim Eggar);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Bowen Wells: 291.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 223.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

Amendments (a) to (m)) were made to the Bill, in lieu of Lords Amendment No. 37, disagreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 38.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Tim Eggar);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Bowen Wells: 287.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 221.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 39 to 52 were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment No. 38;

That Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Tim Eggar, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr Andrew Mitchell and Mr Martin O'Neill be members of the Committee;

That three be the Quorum of the Committee; and

That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(Mr Tim Eggar.)

15 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Ports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 19th January, be approved—(Mr Tim Smith);

And it being three hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [24th June].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Bowen Wells: 287.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Spellar: 220.

So the Question was agreed to.
Resolved, That the draft Ports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 19th January, be approved.

The Deputy Speaker then put the Question on the other Motion to be decided at that hour.

Northern Ireland—Resolved, That the draft Ports (Northern Ireland Consequential Provisions) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 19th January, be approved.—(Mr Tim Smith.)

16 Coal Industry Bill,—Mr Tim Eggar reported from the Committee appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment No. 38 to the Coal Industry Bill, That it had drawn up the following Reason accordingly, which it had directed him to report to the House:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment No. 38 made by the Lords, in page 117, line 29, for the following Reason:

Because the Commons do not consider it appropriate that the circumstances in which a compulsory rights order may be made or confirmed should be confined to those set out in the said Amendment made by the Lords.

The Reason was agreed to.

Message to the Lords to communicate the said Reason, with the Bill and Amendments.

17 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.6 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 28th June 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Customs and Excise,—Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and other Reliefs) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1692), dated 27th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

2 Coal Industry,—(1) Report, and
(2) Statement of Accounts
of the British Coal Corporation for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

3 Data Protection,—Account of the Data Protection Registrar for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 537] [Clerk of the House].

4 Race Relations,—Report of the Commission for Racial Equality for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

5 Treasury,—Treasury Minute, dated 28th June 1994, on a contingent liability consequent on a proposed invitation by Hong Kong to host the 1997 IMF/World Bank annual meetings [by Command] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Statutory Instruments,—Twenty-second Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xxiii] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

2 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 28th June; to be printed [No. 324-ii] [Mr Richard Caborn].

3 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 28th June; to be printed [No. 236-xv] [Mr John Watts].
Wednesday 29th June 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Dunham Bridge (Amendment) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Dunham Bridge (Amendment) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

2 City of Westminster Bill [Lords],—The City of Westminster Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 European Standing Committee B,—Dr John G. Blackburn reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

   That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 5074/94, relating to energy and economic and social cohesion; and supports the Government's view that, while energy may make a welcome contribution to economic and social cohesion, energy projects, policies and programmes should not be used specifically to promote cohesion objectives unless it is clearly appropriate to do so, and that the development of an increasingly competitive and efficient energy sector has an important role to play in the economic progress of the Community.

   Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

7 European Union (Accessions) Bill,—Mr Secretary Hurd, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary MacGregor, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr David Heathcoat-Amory, presented a Bill to amend the definition of 'the Treaties' and 'the Community Treaties' in section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 so as to include the treaty concerning the accession of the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union; and to approve that treaty for the purposes of section 6 of the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1978: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 138].

8 Regulation of Diet Industry,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the diet industry; to bring all medicines relating to diets under control; and for connected purposes—(Alice Mahon);

   And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business): It was agreed to.

   Ordered, That Alice Mahon, Mrs Ann Clwyd, Dawn Primarolo, Jean Corston, Mr Tony Banks, Ms Diane Abbott, Ms Liz Lynne, Mildred Gordon, Helen Jackson, Ms Harriet Harman, Clare Short and Mr Ken Livingstone do prepare and bring in the Bill.

9 Regulation of Diet Industry Bill,—Alice Mahon accordingly presented a Bill to regulate the diet industry; to bring all medicines relating to diets under control; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 139].

10 Opposition day [15th allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

   The Government's Housing and Urban Policies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns the failure of the Government's housing and urban policies for England; notes that they have too frequently been characterised by contradictory objectives and doctrinaire solutions which have resulted in cuts in main programmes more than cancelling out the benefits of specifically targeted funds, the waste of millions of pounds as those in need are forced into the private sector
at higher cost and in worse conditions than could have been available in local authority houses, the undermining of voluntary action and community identity, the reinforcement of a dependency culture and of unbalanced communities as rents are forced up and economically active people are trapped on benefit, unacceptable levels of homelessness, houses in disrepair, and mortgage arrears and repossession; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to abandon its ideological blinkers, to develop a new partnership with local authorities, the private sector and community groups, to allow the phased release of capital receipts, and to secure effective co-ordination of all Government main and specific programmes so as to improve England's urban communities, and the affordability and availability of housing across the country—(Mr Jack Straw);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'commends the Government's achievements in urban and housing policy over the last 15 years, and recognises that Britain now leads the world in imaginative and constructive policy development in these areas; notes with approval the development of the Single Regeneration Budget and the Government Offices for the Regions which build on the widely recognised success of City Challenge and other initiatives; welcomes the formation of English Partnerships to carry forward the drive to improve derelict land; commends the continuing success of Urban Development Corporations in transforming areas of dereliction and disuse; notes that statutory homelessness acceptances are continuing their welcome decline; notes that housing associations are now expected to provide some 179,000 homes with Government funding over the first three years of this Parliament, substantially in excess of the 153,000 promised in 1992; congratulates the Government on the success of the Right to Buy and its tenant management initiatives; notes that the English House Conditions Survey showed an improvement in the fitness of housing in all sectors between 1986 and 1991; applauds the Government's continued efforts to secure maximum value for money from public spending, and to target resources on the areas and individuals most in need; and calls on the Government to continue to place England's urban communities at the heart of its policy, and to draw on the commitment and energy of local people and local bodies in tackling the problems of cities, while maintaining the sound public finances necessary for the sustained economic growth which is an essential component of further improvement not only in urban centres but in the whole country', instead thereof.(Mr Secretary Gummer.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Dennis Turner: 217.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 298.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House commends the Government's achievements in urban and housing policy over the last 15 years, and recognises that Britain now leads the world in imaginative and constructive policy development in these areas; notes with approval the development of the Single Regeneration Budget and the Government Offices for the Regions which build on the widely recognised success of City Challenge and other initiatives; welcomes the formation of English Partnerships to carry forward the drive to improve derelict land; commends the continuing success of Urban Development Corporations in transforming areas of dereliction and disuse; notes that statutory homelessness acceptances are continuing their welcome decline; notes that housing associations are now expected to provide some 179,000 homes with Government funding over the first three years of this Parliament, substantially in excess of the 153,000 promised in 1992; congratulates the Government on the success of the Right to Buy and its tenant management initiatives; notes that the English House Conditions Survey showed an improvement in the fitness of housing in all sectors between 1986 and 1991; applauds the Government's continued efforts to secure maximum value for money from public spending, and to target resources on the areas and individuals most in need; and calls on the Government to continue to place England's urban communities at the heart of its policy, and to draw on the commitment and energy of local people and local bodies in tackling the problems of cities, while maintaining the sound public finances necessary for the sustained economic growth which is an essential component of further improvement not only in urban centres but in the whole country.
11 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 3rd May, be approved—(Mr Andrew MacKay):—It was agreed to.

12 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew MacKay);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then sixteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.44 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 29th June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Census,—Topic Monitor of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on migration in Great Britain for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute, dated 29th June 1994, on the Seventeenth to Twenty-first Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1993-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2602] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Marriage Bill, viz.: Mr Tony Banks, Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mrs Angela Browning, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Keith Hill, Mr George Kynoch, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Ian McCartney, Mr Denis MacShane, Mr Rod Richards, Mr Raymond S. Robertson, Mr Tom Sackville and Mr Keith Vaz.

2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Mr Michael Colvin, Mrs Edwina Currie, Mr Brian H. Donohoe, Mr George Galloway, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr George Kynoch, Mr Norman Lamont, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr Robert Maclellan, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Richard Ottaway, Mr Nigel Waterson, Mr John Whittingdale and Mr Jimmy Wray.

3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Peter Butler, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Harold Ebleton, Mr David Evennett, Mr William O'Brien, Mr Richard Page, Mr James Paice, Mr Robert Parry, Bridget Prentice, Mrs Barbara Roche, Mr William Ross, Mr Roy Thomason, Mr Peter Thornham, Mr Bowen Wells, Sir John Wheeler and Mr David Wilshire.

4 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Edward Garnier, Mildred Gordon, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr Bernie Grant, Margaret Hodge, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Nigel Jones, Mr Piara S. Khabra, Mr Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr Ken Livingstone, Ms Joyce Quin, Mr Rod Richards, Mr Graham Riddick, Sir Trevor Skeet, Mr Anthony Steen, Mr John Sykes, Mr David Tredinnick and Sir Gerard Vaughan.

5 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Gerald Birmingham, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Cheryl Gillan, Sir Michael Grylls, Sir John Hannam, Mr David Harris, Mr Oliver Heald, Mr Alan Howarth, Tessa Jowell, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Kevin McNamara, Bridget Prentice, Mr Richard Tracey, Mr David Trimble, Mr John Ward, Mr Bowen Wells and Sir John Wheeler.
APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Accommodation and Works,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Accommodation and Works Committee on 29th June, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 362-iii] [Mr Ray Powell].

2 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 29th June; to be printed [No. 546-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonser].

3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 29th June; to be printed [No. 359-ix] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation,—Twenty-third Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed; with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xxiii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Home Affairs,—(1) Fourth Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Video Violence and Young Offenders], with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report; to be printed [No. 514]; and
(2) Memoranda laid before the Home Affairs Committee [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Northern Ireland Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 29th June; to be printed [No. 417-vi] [Sir James Kilfedder].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 29th June; to be printed [No. 504-ii] [Mr James Pawsey].

8 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Procedure on 29th June; to be printed [No. 545-i] [Sir Peter Emery].

9 Public Accounts,—(1) Thirty-third Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Department of Social Security and Benefits Agency: Social Fund Account 1992-93]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 265];
(2) Thirty-fourth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency: Quality of Service to Customers]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 279];
(3) Thirty-fifth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Health and Safety Executive: Enforcing Health and Safety in the Workplace]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 292]; and
(4) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 29th June; to be printed [No. 547]
[Mr Robert Sheldon].

10 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 29th June; to be printed [No. 470-iii] [Mr Frank Field].

11 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 29th June; to be printed [No. 506-ii] [Mr Paul Channon].

12 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 29th June; to be printed [No. 236-xvi] [Mr John Watts].

13 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 29th June; to be printed [No. 336-xi] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 29th June 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
(1) the Marriage Bill to Standing Committee C;
(2) the draft Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
(3) the draft Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
(4) the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
(5) the draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
(1) Mr James Hill Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Marriage Bill;
(2) Mr Michael J. Martin and Mr Norman Hogg Chairmen of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates (Class XIV, Votes 13, 14, 7 and 8);
(3) Mr Barry Jones Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994;
(4) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994;
(5) Mr Roland Boyes Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1994; and
(6) Mr Robert Hicks Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:
(1) European Community Documents Nos. 5934/94, relating to foodstuffs intended for particular nutritional uses, and 7073/94, relating to the development of the trans-European transport network, to European Standing Committee A; and
(2) European Community Document No. COM (94) 400, relating to the preliminary draft general budget 1995, to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 125.]

Thursday 30th June 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be considered on Thursday 7th July.

2 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 7th July.

3 May Report,—Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, That she will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Final Report of the Inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the convictions arising out of the bomb attacks in Guildford and Woolwich in 1974, by the Right honourable Sir John May.—(Mr Secretary Howard.)

4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

5 Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords].—Mr Jim Cunningham reported from the Committee on the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.
Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

6 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
7 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Roland Boyes reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Weights and Measures (Cosmetic Products) Order 1994 and the draft Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 21st June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 548].

8 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords do not insist on their Amendment to the Sunday Trading Bill to which this House has disagreed; and they agree, without Amendment, to the Amendment made by this House to one of their Amendments.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Local Government (Wales) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

9 Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill to be considered on Friday 15th July, and to be printed [Bill 140].

10 Education,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Education (Inter-authority Recoupment) Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew MacKay): It was agreed to.

11 Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Northern Ireland Act 1974 (Interim Period Extension) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th May, be approved. (Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew.)

12 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Civil Service (Management Functions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 3rd May, be approved (Mr Michael Ancram);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Irvine Patrick: 126.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr John Spellar: 37.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Civil Service (Management Functions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 3rd May, be approved.

13 Animals,—Resolved, That the draft Welfare of Livestock Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 14th June, be approved.—(Mr Nicholas Soames.)

14 Information,—Resolved, That this House approves the First Report from the Information Committee, on the Provision of a Parliamentary Data and Video Network (House of Commons Paper No. 237), and the First Report from the Committee, of Session 1992-93, on the Provision of Members' Information Technology Equipment, Software and Services (House of Commons Paper No. 737).—(Mr Andrew F. Bennett.)

15 Broadcasting,—Resolved, That this House takes note of the recommendations contained in the First Report from the Broadcasting Committee, of Session 1991-92 (House of Commons Paper No. 323), that a clean television feed of proceedings in the Chamber should be made available to Members in their Parliamentary offices on completion of the Parliamentary Data and Video Network; but endorses the Resolution of the Broadcasting Committee of 27th June, set out in the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee (House of Commons Paper No. 533-4), That, in view of the information now available about the likely timetable for installing the network, work should be undertaken separately from the network with a view to supplying a clean feed to Members with offices in the Parliamentary outbuildings from the beginning of the 1994-95 Session, and thereafter as it becomes technically feasible in each outbuilding, with the aim of completing the process by the end of the Summer Recess of 1995, and that the House authorities should examine the scope for accelerating the provision of a similar facility to Members with offices in the Palace of Westminster, as part of the programme for establishing the network.—(Mr Tony Newton.)

16 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
17 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.21 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 30th June 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:


Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Channel Tunnel,—Channel Tunnel (Application of Road Traffic Enactments) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1667), dated 22nd June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Other Papers:


4 May Report,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty this day for a Return of the Final Report of the Right honourable Sir John May's Inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the convictions arising out of the bomb attacks in Guildford and Woolwich in 1974; to be printed [No. 449] [Mr Secretary Howard].

5 National Audit,—Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General on—

(1) Improving Social Security Services in London: The Provision of Service to Customers.

(2) Improving Social Security Services in London: Management and Implementation of the Benefit Centres Project, and

(3) Property Holdings: Negotiating Office Leases

(by Act); to be printed [Nos. 525, 526 and 451] [Clerk of the House].

6 National Health Service (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Scotland on 26th June 1994 on borrowing by Dundee Healthcare National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

7 Northern Ireland,—Report of the Standing Advisory Committee on Human Rights for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 493] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

8 Post Office,—Paper, entitled the Future of Postal Services—a Consultative Document [by Command] [Cm. 2614] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

9 Road Traffic,—Report and Accounts of the Traffic Director for London for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

10 Transport,—Statement of determination of the salary and allowances of the new Chairman of the British Waterways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

National Heritage,—(1) First Special Report from the National Heritage Committee [Government Response to the Third Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94 (Our Heritage: Preserving it, Prospering from it)]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 30th June; to be printed [Nos. 549 and 550-i] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].
The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for legislation for posthumous pardons for soldiers executed during the 1914 to 1919 war was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

3 Welfare of Ex-Service People,—Resolved, That this House, mindful of the increasing needs of the United Kingdom's ageing ex-service population and the many problems of younger members of the ex-service community in direct consequence of Options for Change, considers that there is now a pressing need for a sub-department of ex-service affairs within an existing ministry and with a designated Minister to be responsible, as the only fundamental and long-term solution for the care and welfare of ex-service people and their dependants; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government now to respond positively to the Royal British Legion's urgent call for a sub-department to be established. (Mr Andrew Mackinlay.)

4 Property Markets and Construction Industry,—Resolved, That this House recognises that confidence within property markets and the construction industry is important to ensure sustained economic growth; considers that reform of both the commercial and domestic property markets, and contractual arrangements within the construction industry, are essential to stimulate urban vitality and redevelopment; acknowledges the decision by the Lord Chancellor that reform of privy of contract is necessary; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to introduce early legislation to enact its policy on these matters. (Mr Peter Thurnham.)

5 Deepings and Stamford By-passes,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House recognises the widespread support for the long-awaited by-passes for Deepings and Stamford in South Lincolnshire; notes that these roads would result in fewer casualties in road accidents and reduced noise and other pollution in residential areas; looks forward to the improvements to the quality of life for residents of Deepings and Stamford that would be brought about by these roads; believes that these by-passes are essential if the economic growth of South Lincolnshire is to be maintained; considers that it is in the national interest that the great historic and architectural heritage of Stamford, the first conservation area in the United Kingdom, is preserved and protected from the blight and depredations of heavy through traffic; supports the case for the urgent imposition of a weight restriction on vehicles traversing Stamford's ancient town bridge; and urges that the Highways Agency should give both by-pass schemes the highest priority. (Mr Quentin Davies);

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

6 Racial Hatred and Violence Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 11th March, That the Racial Hatred and Violence Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 8th July.

7 Fair Treatment for Widowers Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fair Treatment for Widowers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 8th July.

8 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 15th July.

9 Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 8th July.

10 Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

11 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Monday 4th July.
12 Sports (Discrimination) Bill.—The Sports (Discrimination) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

13 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;

 Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 8th July.

14 Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill;

 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 8th July.

15 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.-(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday 4th July.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.

APPENDIX
Friday 1st July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—(1) Nitrate Sensitive Areas Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1729), dated 1st July 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard];

(2) Organic Farming (Aid) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1721), dated 29th June 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard]; and

(3) Organic Aid (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1701), dated 27th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

2 Civil Aviation,—(1) Access for Community Air Carriers to Intra-Community Air Routes (Second Amendment and other Provisions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1731),

(2) Aeroplane Noise (Limitation on Operation of Aeroplanes) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1734),

(3) Air Fares (Third Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1735),

(4) Airports Slot Allocation (Second Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1736),

(5) Civil Aviation (Personnel Licences) Order 1992 (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1733), and

(6) Licensing of Air Carriers (Third Amendment and other Provisions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1732), dated 30th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

3 Customs and Excise,—(1) Air Passenger Duty Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1738), and

(2) Aircraft Operators (Accounts and Records) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1737),

dated 1st July 1994 [by Act] [Sir John Cope].

Other Papers:

4 Defence (Royal Air Force),—Regulations of the Defence Council amending Air Publication 3376, Trade Structure of the Royal Air Force [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

5 Foreign Affairs,—Government Observations on the First Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee, Session 1993–94, on relations between the United Kingdom and China in the period up to and beyond 1997 [by Command] [Cm. 2608] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords do not insist on their Amendment to the Coal Industry Bill to which this House has disagreed; they have agreed, without Amendment, to the Amendments proposed by this House in lieu of certain of their Amendments to which this House has disagreed; and they have agreed, without Amendment, to the Amendment made by this House to the remaining one of their Amendments.

Land Drainage Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled, An Act to amend the Land Drainage Act 1991 in relation to the functions of internal drainage boards and local authorities; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

3 Land Drainage Bill [Lords].—The Land Drainage Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 141].

4 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Alcan Aluminium UK Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

5 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft British Gas plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

6 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

7 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Caledonian MacBrayne Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

8 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Electricity Generators (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

9 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Forth Ports plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

10 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Lochaber Power Company (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

11 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Mercury Communications Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

12 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.
13 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Railways (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

14 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

15 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Nuclear Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

16 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

17 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr James Arbuthnot):—It was agreed to.

18 Opposition day [16th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Child Support Agency.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House believes a parent has a duty to contribute to the maintenance of his or her child, and that duty must be at the heart of any system of child support; recognises the anger and dismay felt by many families whose lives have been adversely affected by the activities of the Child Support Agency in its first year of operation, the collapse of public confidence in the system and the ever-increasing administrative problems besetting the Agency; and calls for an urgent and fundamental review to eliminate injustice by tackling key areas of concern such as the inflexibility of the financial formula, the failure to recognise, in calculating maintenance, financial and property transfers at the time of divorce or separation, the lack of an independent appeal procedure and the need to protect the interests of children in whose name the system was introduced—(Mr Donald Dewar);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘reaffirms its support for the principle, to which the Child Support Act 1991 and the Child Support Agency give effect, that parents should support their children where they are able to do so; accepts that the taxpayer should only have to provide this support when parents cannot afford to; welcomes the help the Agency has already been able to give many parents with care and the support it has received from organisations representing lone parents; condemns deliberate attempts to obstruct the workings of the Agency; recognises the changes introduced in February and the urgent steps being taken to improve the service the Agency gives parents; and acknowledges the continuing concerns over child support issues and therefore welcomes the Government’s commitment to continue to keep the scheme under scrutiny and to bring forward further changes should these prove necessary’, instead thereof. (Mr Secretary Lilley.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Ray Powell: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr James Arbuthnot: 311.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.
Resolved, That this House reaffirms its support for the principle, to which the Child Support Act 1991 and the Child Support Agency give effect, that parents should support their children where they are able to do so; accepts that the taxpayer should only have to provide this support when parents cannot afford to; welcomes the help the Agency has already been able to give many parents with care and the support it has received from organisations representing lone parents; condemns deliberate attempts to obstruct the workings of the Agency; recognises the changes introduced in February and the urgent steps being taken to improve the service the Agency gives parents; and acknowledges the continuing concerns over child support issues and therefore welcomes the Government’s commitment to continue to keep the scheme under scrutiny and to bring forward further changes should these prove necessary.

19 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day’s sitting, the Vehicle Excise and Registration Bill [Lords] and the Value Added Tax Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):— It was agreed to.

20 Vehicle Excise and Registration Bill [Lords].—The Vehicle Excise and Registration Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):— It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 68 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 5 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr Timothy Kirkhope reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

21 Value Added Tax Bill [Lords].—The Value Added Tax Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):— It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 102 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 15 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr Timothy Kirkhope reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

22 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Collingham, Nottinghamshire, for a road by-pass was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

23 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.55 p.m.]
APPENDIX
Monday 4th July 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Wildlife,—Draft Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 British Nationality,—British Nationality (South Africa) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1634), dated 22nd June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].


6 Customs and Excise,—Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and other Reliefs) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1739), dated 1st July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].


Other Papers:


9 General Medical Council,—Accounts of the General Medical Council for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

10 Police (Northern Ireland),—Report of the Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster Constabulary for 1993 [by Act] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

11 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into force before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:

Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (No. 2) Order 1994 [by Standing Order] [The Speaker].

12 Treasury,—Treasury Minute concerning the waiving of loans to Carnon Tin [by Command] [Mr Michael Portillo].
Tuesday 5th July 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the London Underground (Green Park) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

2 University of London Bill,—The University of London Bill was read the third time, and passed.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

5 Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill,—Ordered. That the Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

6 New Member sworn,—Mrs Helen Liddell, Member for Monklands East, was sworn.

7 Scottish Estimates,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Estimates, Class XIV, Votes 13 and 14, referred to it on 27th June and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 497].

8 Insurance Premium Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Insurance Premium Tax (Taxable Insurance Contracts) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell)—It was agreed to.

9 Housing,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Stonebridge Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell)—It was agreed to.

10 French Words (Prohibition),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the use of French words in written and spoken English; and for connected purposes—(Mr Anthony Steen);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Anthony Steen, Mr Michael Fabricant: 45.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Alan Simpson: 149.

So the Question was negatived.

11 Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered. That the Bill be considered in the following order, namely; new Clauses except those relating to Magistrates' Courts, new Schedules except those relating to Magistrates' Courts, Amendments relating to Clauses Nos. 63 to 85 and Schedule No. 7, Amendments relating to Clauses Nos. 86 to 90 and Schedule No. 8.—(Mr Charles Wardle.)
A Clause (Application of certain provisions to police authorities established under section 3 of the Police Act 1964)—(Mr Charles Wardle)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Provision of advice and assistance to international organisations etc.)—(Mr Charles Wardle)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Police officers engaged on service outside their force)—(Mr Charles Wardle)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Provision of advice and assistance to international organisations etc., Scotland)—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Constables engaged on service outside their force)—(Mr Charles Wardle)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Delegation of functions of Scottish police authority)—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Local partnerships to promote crime prevention)—(Mr Tony Blair)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Kilfoyle, Mr John Spellar: 246.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Derek Conway: 280.

Another Clause (Public inquiry on reduction in number of police areas)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 249.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 287.

Another Clause (Office of constable in a designated police force)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Conditions for setting national objectives)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Eric Illsley: 238.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 303.

12 Royal Assent.—The Deputy Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, that Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses:

Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1994
Antarctic Act 1994
State Hospitals (Scotland) Act 1994
Chiropractors Act 1994
Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Act 1994
Local Government (Wales) Act 1994
Sunday Trading Act 1994
Coal Industry Act 1994
Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994
Value Added Tax Act 1994
Commons Registration (East Sussex) Act 1994
Dunham Bridge (Amendment) Act 1994
Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Clause (Schemes for compulsory or voluntary severance on structural grounds: Scotland)—(Sir Anthony Durant)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Private security services: licensing)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 258.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 280.

Another Clause (Membership of police authorities)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Common rules for grant-making)—(Mr Alun Michael)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Amendments (Nos. 56, 44, 48, 57, 49 and 58 to 60) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 65) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 26, after the word ‘rank’, to insert the words ‘; or made subject to a permanent ban on promotion or is fined a sum exceeding one week’s pay.’—(Mr Mike O’Brien.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 50, 51, 43, 52, 70, 34, 35, 53, 45, 54, 81, 46, 47 and 24 to 26) made to the Bill.

Another Clause (Pension etc. of justices’ chief executive, justices’ clerks and staff in inner London area)—(Mr John M. Taylor)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Outer London area)—(Mr Paul Boateng)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

A Schedule (Continuing functions of Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District in relation to pensions etc of court staff)—(Mr John M. Taylor)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Other Amendments (Nos. 77 and 78) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 39, line 42, after the word ‘peace’, to insert the word ‘or’.—(Mr Paul Boateng.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Eric Illsley: 258.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Andrew Mitchell: 291.

And it being after Ten o’clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

14 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day’s sitting, the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

15 Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Police and Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Other Amendments (Nos. 79, 80, 73, 74, 71, 39 to 42, 38, 75, 27 to 29, 36, 37, 30 to 33, 55 and 76) were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 293.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Cummings: 253.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

16 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from members of Trafalgar Road Baptist Church, Horsham, for reform in the structure of trade with the Third World was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

17 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);


And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fifteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.15 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 5th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Human Fertilisation and Embryology,—(1) Draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley]; and

(2) draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

2 Legal Aid and Advice,—Draft Legal Aid (Scope) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Education,—(1) Cleveland College of Further Education and Sir William Turner's Sixth Form College, Redcar (Dissolution) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1755), and

(2) Epsom School of Art and Design (Dissolution) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1754), dated 5th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

Other Papers:

4 Broadcasting,—Report and Accounts of the Independent Television Commission for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

5 Data Protection,—Report and Accounts of the Data Protection Registrar for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 453] [Mr Secretary Howard].

6 Fair Trading,—Report of the Director General of Fair Trading for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 551] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

7 Government Trading Funds,—Report and Accounts of the Royal Mint Trading Fund for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 468] [Clerk of the House].

8 Legal Aid,—Report of the Lord Chancellor's Advisory Committee for Legal Aid for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 462] [Mr John M. Taylor].
9 National Health Service,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Health on 29th June 1994 on borrowing by Carlisle Hospitals National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 5th July; to be printed [No. 563-i] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Foreign Affairs,—(1) Second Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Public Expenditure: Spending Plans of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Overseas Development Administration 1994-95 to 1996-97], with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, and the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 5th July; to be printed [Nos. 372 and 560-i] [Mr David Howell].

3 Information,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Information Committee on 4th July; to be printed [No. 562-i] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

4 Statutory Instruments,—Twenty-third Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xxiv] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

5 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 4th and 5th July; to be printed [Nos. 561-i and -ii] [Mr John Watts].

6 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 5th July; to be printed [No. 336-xii] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

[No. 129.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee. Bill to be read the third time.

2 London Local Authorities Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the London Local Authorities Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee. Amendments made to the Bill. Bill to be read the third time.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 Marriage Bill,—Mr James Hill reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Marriage Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment. Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 15th July. Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 565].

7 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Barry Jones reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 27th June. Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 570].
8 European Standing Committee B.—Sir James Kilfedder reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 5475/94, relating to general rules for the granting of Community financial aid in the field of Trans-European Networks.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

9 School Leavers (Community Service).—Ordered. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend section 22 of the Education Reform Act 1988 to introduce a mandatory requirement for the National Record of Achievement of every school leaver to include details of the school leaver's contribution to community service; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr Sebastian Coe, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr Graham Riddick and Mr Nigel Forman do prepare and bring it in.

10 School Leavers (Community Service) Bill.—Mr Gyles Brandreth accordingly presented a Bill to amend section 22 of the Education Reform Act 1988 to introduce a mandatory requirement for the National Record of Achievement of every school leaver to include details of the school leaver's contribution to community service; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 142].

11 Education Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Education Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Commencement)—(Mrs Ann Taylor)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Functions of Her Majesty's Chief Inspectors of Schools)—(Mr James Pawsey)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 16) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 15, at the end, to insert the words 'except that in the case of training specialist teachers of pupils with special educational needs eligibility for funding shall be limited to institutions of higher education offering courses in collaboration with relevant schools and services.'—(Mr Win Griffiths.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, to leave out from the word 'school' in line 19 to the end of line 21 and insert the words 'in partnership with an appropriate institution of higher education', instead thereof.—(Mr Bryan Davies.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 255.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 295.

Amendment (No. 1) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 22) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 27, at the end, to insert the words—

'(IA) A governing body exercising, or proposing to exercise, any power conferred by subsection (1) above shall, if the number of persons attending any course will exceed, or is in its opinion likely to exceed, such percentage of the school teachers of the schools concerned in the provision of the course as the Secretary of State may by order prescribe, take such steps as are reasonably practicable so to notify—

(a) the parents of registered pupils at the school,
(b) the applicants for the relevant course; and
(c) such other persons as the Secretary of State may by order specify.'—(Mrs Ann Taylor.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alan Meale, Mr John Spellar: 221.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 268.
Another Amendment (No. 27) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 36, to leave out the words 'or more frequently.'—(Mr Don Foster.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 23) proposed to the Bill, in page 14, line 35, at the end, to insert the words—

'(2A) The union should return to students who are not or have ceased to be members any fees or grants paid by them or on their behalf or by the institution, in proportion to the part of the academic year for which the student is not a member.'—(Mr Alan Duncan.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

12 Business of the House.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at that day's sitting, the Education Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, through opposed, until any hour—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

13 Education Bill [Lords].—The Question being again proposed, That the Education Bill [Lords] be now read the third time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Bowen Wells: 284.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Eric Illsley: 249.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

14 Contracts.—Resolved, That the draft Contracts (Applicable Law) Act 1990 (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th May, be approved. (Mr John M. Taylor.)

15 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.20 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 6th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Education,—Draft Education (Assisted Places) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Consumer Protection,—Plugs and Sockets etc. (Safety) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1768), dated 5th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

3 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the Governing Body of Jesus College, Oxford, on 27th April 1994, amending the statutes of the college [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers

4 Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Account of the sums granted by Parliament for Class XIXB (National Audit Office) for 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 479] [Sir Peter Hordern].

5 Broadcasting,—Paper, entitled The Future of the BBC, with the Government Reply to the Second Report from the National Heritage Committee, Session 1993–94, on the Future of the BBC [by Command] [Cm. 2621] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
6 Crown Estate. — (1) Accounts of the Crown Estate Commissioners for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 542]; and
(2) Report and Accounts of the Crown Estate Commissioners for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

7 Government Trading Funds. — Accounts of the Medicines Control Agency for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 459] [Clerk of the House].

8 Health Service Commissioner. — (1) Third Report of the Health Service Commissioner, Session 1993–94, and
(2) Fourth Report of the Health Service Commissioner, Session 1993–94, being the Annual Report for 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 498 and 499] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

9 Local Government, Planning and Land. — Accounts of the Land Authority for Wales for 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 566] [Clerk of the House].

10 National Audit. — Seventh Report from the Public Accounts Commission [by Act]; to be printed [No. 567] [Sir Peter Hordern].

11 Public Petitions. — Observations by the Secretary of State for Health on the Petition [4th March] from residents of Staveley, Chesterfield, for action against dioxin pollution in the area [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

12 Social Fund. — Report of the Social Fund for 1993–94 [by Command] [Cm. 2598] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

13 Statutory Instruments (Notification). — Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instruments had come into force before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instruments came into operation:
Access for Community Air Carriers to Intra-Community Air Routes (Second Amendment and Other Provisions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1731)
Aeroplane Noise (Limitation on Operation of Aeroplanes) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1734)
Air Fares (Third Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1735)
Airports Slot Allocations (Second Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I. 1994, No. 1736)
Licensing of Air Carriers (Third Amendment and Other Provisions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1732)
[by Standing Order] [The Speaker].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Committee C. — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Sports (Discrimination) Bill, viz.: Mr Gyles Brandeth, Mr Stephen Day, Mr Terry Dicks, Mr Peter Hain, Mr Nick Hawkins, Mr David Hinchcliffe, Kate Hoey, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Ian McCartney, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Tom Pendry, Mr Graham Riddick, Dr Robert Spink, Mr Iain Sproat and Mr Gary Waller.

2 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Fair Trading Act (Amendment) (Merger Prenotification) Regulations 1994, viz.: Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Michael Fabricant, Mildred Gordon, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr John Gunnell, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr Geoffrey Hoon, Mr John Hutton, Tessa Jowell, Mr David Martin, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Sir Roger Moate, Mr Andrew Robathan, Mr Andrew Rowe, Dr Robert Spink, Mr Michael Stern, Mr Gerry Sutcliffe and Sir Donald Thompson.

3 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft
4 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Insurance Premium Tax (Taxable Insurance Contracts) Order 1994, viz: Mr A. J. Beith, Sir John Cope, Mr Alistair Darling, Mr Michael Fabricant, Mr Jack Aspinwall, Mr Julian Amery, Mr Richard Burden, Mr John Butterfill, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Michael Cartiss, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Robert Hughes, Sir Fergus Montgomery, Mr Elliot Morley, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Nicholas Soames, Mr Neville Trotter, Mr Paul Tyler and Mr Alan W. Williams.

5 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994, viz: Mr Nick Ainger, Mr Michael Alison, Mr Jack Aspinwall, Mr Julian Amery, Mr Richard Burden, Mr John Butterfill, Mr Stephen Byers, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Michael Cartiss, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Robert Hughes, Sir Fergus Montgomery, Mr Elliot Morley, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Nicholas Soames, Mr Neville Trotter, Mr Paul Tyler and Mr Alan W. Williams.

6 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Stonebridge Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1994, viz: Mr David Amess, Mr Tony Baldry, Mr John Butterfill, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Jim Cunningham, Mr Christopher Gill, Mr Doug Henderson, Mr Keith Hill, Sir Ralph Howell, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Sir David Mitchell, Mr Gordon Prentice, Mr David Rendel, Rachel Squire, Mr John Townend, Mr Cyril D. Townsend, Dr Ian Twin and Audrey Wise.

7 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Anti-Competitive Practices (Exclusions) (Amendment) Order 1994, viz: Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mrs Anne Campbell, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Nigel Forman, Dr Liam Fox, Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Neil Hamilton, Dr Keith Hampson, Mr John Horam, Mr Edward Leigh, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Michael Lord, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Michael Mates, Mr Andrew Mitchell and Mr Austin Mitchell.

8 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, that it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Alcan Aluminium UK Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Gas plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Caledonian MacBrayne Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Electricity Generators (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Forth Ports plc (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Hydro-Electric (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, and the draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, viz: Mr Jacques Arnold, Sir Paul Beresford, Sir Andrew Bowden, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Mr Michael Connarty, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mr Ian Davidson, Mr Phil Gallie, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr John Greenway, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr Henry McLeish, Sir Michael Neubert, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Michael Trend and Mr Bill Walker.
APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 256-iii] [Sir Nicholas Bonson].

2 Education,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 564-i] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

3 Environment,—(1) Second Report from the Environment Committee [Recycling], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 63];
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Environment Committee; and
   (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 359-x]
   [Mr Robert B. Jones].

4 European Legislation,—Twenty-fourth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xxiv] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 302-v] [Sir Ivan Lawrence].

6 Northern Ireland Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 417-vii] [Sir James Kilfedder].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—(1) Third Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration for 1993], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; and
   (2) Fourth Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [Report of the Northern Ireland Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration for 1993], together with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee;
   to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 345 and 371] [Mr James Pawsey].

8 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 470-iv] [Mr Frank Field].

9 Trade and Industry,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 6th July; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee;
   to be printed [Nos. 569 and 285-II] [Mr Richard Caborn].

10 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 506-iii] [Mr Paul Channon].

MEMORANDA
Wednesday 6th July 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated—
   (1) the Sports (Discrimination) Bill to Standing Committee C;
   (2) the draft Education (Inter-authority Recoupment) Regulations 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
   (3) the draft Fair Trading Act (Amendment) (Merger Prenotification) Regulations 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
   (4) the Insurance Premium Tax (Taxable Insurance Contracts) Order 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
   (5) the draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
   (6) the draft Stonebridge Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1994 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
   (7) the Anti-Competitive Practices (Exclusions) (Amendment) Order 1994 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
   (8) the draft Alcan Aluminium UK Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Gas plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Caledonian
MacBrayne Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Electricity Generators (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Forth Ports plc (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Lochaber Power Company (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Mercury Communications Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Nuclear Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, and the draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Roy Hughes Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Sports (Discrimination) Bill;

(2) Mr Roland Boyes Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Education (Inter-authority Recoupment) Regulations 1994;

(3) Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Fair Trading Act (Amendment) (Merger Prenotification) Regulations 1994;

(4) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Stonebridge Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1994;

(5) Sir John Hunt Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Anti-Competitive Practices (Exclusions) (Amendment) Order 1994;

(6) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Alcan Aluminium UK Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Gas plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Caledonian MacBrayne Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Forth Ports plc (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Lochaber Power Company (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Mercury Communications Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Railways (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Nuclear Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, and the draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994;

(7) Sir David Knox Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 11141/93, relating to access of consumers to justice and the settlement of consumer disputes in the Single Market; and

(8) Mr Alan Haselhurst Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 7390/92, relating to the development of the Single Market for postal services, and 7133/93, relating to guidelines for the development of Community postal services.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made;

(1) European Community Document No. 6177/94, relating to bathing water, to European Standing Committee A; and

(2) European Community Document No. 9508/93, relating to hallmarking, to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 130.]

Thursday 7th July 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered on Thursday 14th July at Seven o'clock.
2 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 14th July.

3 Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Lerwick Harbour: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered on Wednesday 13th July and to be printed [Bill 143].

4 Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Bill, but the same not having been proved to its satisfaction, it had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment.

Bill to lie upon the Table.

5 Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords],—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

6 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn. (see Appendix I).

7 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

8 Finance and Services,—Ordered. That part of the Minutes of Proceedings of the Finance and Services Committee on 21st June be printed [No. 518-ii].

9 Scottish Estimates,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Estimates, Class XIV, Votes 7 and 8, referred to it on 27th June and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 497].

10 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 16th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 572].

11 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Roland Boyes reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 27th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 573].

12 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Robert Hicks reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 16th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 581].

13 Children Act 1989 (Prohibition of Corporal Punishment) Amendment Bill,—Joan Lestor, supported by Mr Clive Soley, Mrs Llin Golding and Mr Malcolm Wicks, presented a Bill to amend the Children Act 1989 so as to ensure that corporal punishment is not used in child minding and day care for young children: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 144].

14 Summer Time,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Summer Time Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

15 Scottish Estimates,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 96 (Scottish Estimates), That the Estimates set out hereunder be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee:

| Class XIV | Vote 1 | Agricultural support, Scotland. |
| Class XIV | Vote 2 | Agricultural services, agricultural grants and fisheries, Scotland.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to. |
16 Opposition day [17th allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the leader of the second largest opposition party in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Housing in Wales.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House records its concern at the continuing high level of unmet need for social housing in Wales, recognises that adequate provision of rented homes at affordable rents is a fundamental necessity; is opposed to any intention to reduce the proportion of the Tai Cymru budget dedicated to providing rented properties or to reduce the level of Housing Association Grant; calls for the restoration of a financial regime which would make the purchase and renovation of existing properties by both local councils and housing associations economically feasible; and demands the establishment of a Parliament for Wales with legislative and revenue-raising powers that would enable the people of Wales to implement housing policies appropriate to their specific needs and priorities.—(Mr Cymog Dafis);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'congratulates the Government on its comprehensive housing policies to meet the needs and aspirations of the people of Wales; welcomes in particular the high and increasing level of home ownership in Wales; supports measures to promote wider home ownership; notes the high level of investment by Tai Cymru since 1989 which has exceeded £1 billion and produced nearly 22,000 homes; welcomes the attraction of substantial private funding to the housing association programme enabling greater diversity and choice; and rejects the call for the establishment of a Parliament for Wales which would create an unnecessary tier of government and would waste resources', instead thereof. (Mr Secretary Redwood.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Elfyn Llwyd: 26.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 153.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House congratulates the Government on its comprehensive housing policies to meet the needs and aspirations of the people of Wales; welcomes in particular the high and increasing level of home ownership in Wales; supports measures to promote wider home ownership; notes the high level of investment by Tai Cymru since 1989 which has exceeded £1 billion and produced nearly 22,000 homes; welcomes the attraction of substantial private funding to the housing association programme enabling greater diversity and choice; and rejects the call for the establishment of a Parliament for Wales which would create an unnecessary tier of government and would waste resources.

Social Security Benefit Rights.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House would fully restore social security benefit rights to all 16 and 17 year olds.—(Mrs Margaret Ewing);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'recognises that vulnerable 16 and 17 year olds and those facing severe hardship continue to have access to benefits; believes that it is in the long term interests of 16 and 17 year olds that they do not go straight from school on to benefits, but into training, employment or further or higher education; and fully endorses the Government's training guarantee and the continued expansion of vocational, further and higher education', instead thereof. (Mr Alistair Burt.)

And the Question being put, that the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alex Salmond, Mr Andrew Welsh: 2.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Irvine Patnick: 121.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.
Resolved, That this House recognises that vulnerable 16 and 17 year olds and those facing severe hardship continue to have access to benefits; believes that it is in the long term interests of 16 and 17 year olds that they do not go straight from school on to benefits, but into training, employment or further or higher education; and fully endorses the Government’s training guarantee and the continued expansion of vocational, further and higher education.

17 Energy and Economic and Social Cohesion.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 5074/94, relating to energy and economic and social cohesion; and supports the Government’s view that, while energy may make a welcome contribution to economic and social cohesion, energy projects, policies and programmes should not be used specifically to promote cohesion objectives unless it is clearly appropriate to do so, and that the development of an increasingly competitive and efficient energy sector has an important role to play in the economic progress of the Community—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

18 Guarantees for Consumer Goods and After Sales Service.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 10635/93, relating to guarantees for consumer goods and after sales service, and endorses the Government’s response to the Commission—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

19 Local Government.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Local Authorities (Charges for Land Searches) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 4th May, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

20 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures (Cosmetic Products) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

21 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures (Intoxicating Liquor) (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 10th May, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

22 Defence.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Army, Air Force and Naval Discipline Acts (Continuation) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 23rd May, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

23 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Betting and Lotteries (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th May, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

24 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 24th May, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

25 Fees and Charges.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 16th June, be approved—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.
26 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) residents of Elmstead, Essex, for a public inquiry into the proposed development near Grove Farm, Elmstead, and

(2) residents of Deal for establishment of a combined services school of music at Deal were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

27 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fifteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.45 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Thursday 7th July 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Education,—Draft Education (Assisted Places) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

2 Transport,—Draft Railway Pensions (Transfer and Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

3 Education,—Education (Amount to Follow Permanently Excluded Pupil) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1697), dated 28th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].


5 Rating and Valuation,—Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1742), dated 22nd June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Other Papers:

6 Broadcasting,—Report and Accounts of the British Broadcasting Corporation for 1993-94 [by Command] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

7 Development of Tourism,—Statement of appointment of a new member to the English Tourist Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

8 Employment,—Accounts of—

(1) the Commissioner for Protection Against Unlawful Industrial Action, and

(2) the Commissioner for Rights of Trade Union Members for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 574 and 575] [Clerk of the House].

9 Scottish Examination Board,—Report of the Scottish Examination Board for 1993 [by Statutory Instrument]; [Mr Secretary Lang].

10 Treaty Series (No. 80, 1993),—Fourth Supplementary List of Ratifications, Accessions, Withdrawals, etc., for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2591] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 Treaty Series (No. 81, 1993),—Index to Treaty Series 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2605] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

Paper withdrawn:


APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 6th July; to be printed [No. 579-i] [Mr David Howell].
2 Health,—Second Report from the Health Committee [Priority setting in the NHS: The NHS Drugs Budget], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 80] [Mrs Marion Roe].

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 7th July 1994

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Orders No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr John Maxton Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates (Class XIV, Votes 1 and 2);

(2) Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the Insurance Premium Tax (Taxable Insurance Contracts) Order 1994; and

(3) Mr Barry Jones Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994.

[No. 131.]

Friday 8th July 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Inequalities in the United Kingdom,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House expresses concern at the growing inequalities between richest and poorest in Britain today and draws attention to the recent report of the Institute of Fiscal Studies entitled 'For Richer, For Poorer: the Changing Distribution of Income in the United Kingdom 1961—1991'; expresses its belief that gross inequalities contribute to economic inefficiency; draws attention to the inequalities which particular groups including the disabled experience; believes that a whole range of measures and policies are needed as well as a change of direction in existing government policy if the problems of inequalities and lack of opportunities are to be rectified; and calls on the Government to introduce urgent policies of a fiscal, economic, social and educational nature in order to bring such a change in direction about.—(Ms Joyce Quin);

And it being Eleven o'clock, the Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings).

And the Question being again proposed;

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

3 Fine Defaulters (Restriction of Power to Imprison) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fine Defaulters (Restriction of Power to Imprison) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

4 Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered on Friday 15th July.

5 Treasure Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Treasure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

6 Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

7 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 15th July.

8 Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 15th July.

9 Land Drainage Bill [Lords].—The Land Drainage Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr Andrew Mitchell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

10 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Friday 15th July.

11 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Monday 11th July, the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Tony Newton relating to Scottish Business not later than two hours after it has been entered upon; and such Questions shall include the Questions on any Amendments to the said Motion; which she may have selected, which may then be moved, and those proceedings may be entered upon or continued after the expiration of time for opposed business.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

12 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday 11th July.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Friday 8th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


2 Education (Scotland),—Teaching Council (Scotland) Election Amendment Scheme 1994 Approval Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1702), dated 24th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Environmental Protection,—Notification of Existing Substances (Enforcement) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1806), dated 30th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].
4 Pensions.—Protected Rights (Transfer Payment) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1751), dated 4th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

5 Police.—Metroplitan Police Force (Compensation for Loss of Office) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1730), dated 28th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

6 Race Relations.—Race Relations (Interest on Awards) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1748), dated 4th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

7 Rating and Valuation.—Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1809), dated 7th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Other Papers:

8 Atomic Energy Authority.—Accounts of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 485] [Clerk of the House].

9 Broadcasting.—Report and Accounts of the Gaelic Television Committee for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

10 Defence.—(1) Ministry of Defence Minute on the gifting of land and building to the Government of Gibraltar [by Command]; and

(2) Report and Accounts of the Defence Accounts Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 481] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

11 Defence (Royal Air Force).—Amendment List No. 18 to Major Revision 1985 to the Queen’s Regulations for the Royal Air Force [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

12 Employment.—Report of the Commissioner for the Rights of Trade Union Members for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

13 National Health Service (Scotland).—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Scotland, dated 6th July 1994, on borrowing by Royal Scottish National Hospital and Community National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

14 Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre.—Report and Accounts of the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 458] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

15 Social Security.—Report by the Occupational Pensions Board on the Protected Rights (Transfer Payment) Amendment Regulations 1994, preceded by a statement by the Secretary of State for Social Security [by Command] [Cm. 2620] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

16 Tanzania (No. 1, 1994).—Agreement, done at Dar es Salaam on 7th January 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cm. 2593] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

17 Treaty Series (No. 31, 1994).—Agreement, done at Buenos Aires on 27th August 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Argentine Republic concerning mutual judicial assistance against illicit drug trafficking [by Command] [Cm. 2592] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Humber Bridge Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend provisions of the Humber Bridge Acts 1959 to 1973; to make further provision regarding tolls levied in respect of traffic using the Humber Bridge; to confer further powers on the Humber Bridge Board; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

4 Humber Bridge Bill [Lords].—The Humber Bridge Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

5 Unfair Dismissal (Insolvency of Employer) Bill,—Mr Harry Cohen, supported by Mr Harry Barnes, Mrs Ann Clwyd, Mr John Cummings, Mr John Fraser, Mr John Garrett, Mr Bruce Grocott, Mr Norman Hogg, Tessa Jowell, Mr Chris Mullin, Mr Dennis Skinner and Mr David Winnick, presented a Bill to amend section 122 of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 so as to extend the awards of compensation for unfair dismissal which may be paid from the Redundancy Fund in the event of insolvency of the employer; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 145].

6 Road Traffic Reduction Bill,—Mr Cynog Dafis, supported by Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Paul Flynn, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Elfyn Llwyd, Mr David Jamieson, Mr Simon Hughes and Mr Andrew Robathan, presented a Bill to require the Secretary of State to draw up plans in order to achieve certain stated road traffic reduction targets and the discussion of those plans in Parliament; to require local authorities to draw up local traffic reduction plans; and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 146].

7 Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords].—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 90 (Second reading committees), That the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] be referred to a Second Reading Committee (Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

8 European Union (Accessions) Bill,—The European Union (Accessions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of Bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House (Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

Committee to-morrow.

9 Scottish Business,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That with effect from the beginning of the next Session—

(a) Standing Orders No. 93 (Public bills relating exclusively to Scotland), No. 94 (Scottish Grand Committee), No. 96 (Scottish estimates) and No. 97 (Matters relating exclusively to Scotland) shall be repealed, and the following Standing Orders A to H below shall have effect;

(b) Standing Orders No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), No. 89 (Procedure in standing committees) and No. 91 (Special standing committees) shall be amended as set out below; and

(c) other Standing Orders shall have effect subject to the foregoing provisions of this Order.

A. Scottish Grand Committee (composition and business)

(1) There shall be a standing committee called the Scottish Grand Committee, which shall consist of all Members representing Scottish constituencies; and of which (subject to paragraph (6) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings))) the quorum shall be ten.
(2) The business of the Committee shall include—
(a) questions tabled in accordance with Standing Order B (Scottish Grand Committee (questions for oral answer));
(b) short debates held in accordance with Standing Order C (Scottish Grand Committee (short debates));
(c) ministerial statements proceeded with in accordance with Standing Order D (Scottish Grand Committee (ministerial statements));
(d) bills referred to it for consideration in relation to their principle, in accordance with Standing Order E (Scottish Grand Committee (bills in relation to their principle));
(e) motions relating to statutory instruments or draft statutory instruments, referred to it in accordance with Standing Order F (Scottish Grand Committee (statutory instruments));
(f) motions for the adjournment of the committee, notice of which has been given in accordance with Standing Order G (Scottish Grand Committee (statutory motions for the adjournment)); and
(g) motions for the adjournment of the committee, to be made after the interruption of business, as provided in Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)).

B. Scottish Grand Committee (questions for oral answer)

(1) Notices of questions for oral answer in the Scottish Grand Committee by Scottish Office ministers or Scottish law officers on a day specified in an order made under paragraph (1) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)), may be given by members of the committee in the Table Office.

(2) Notices of questions given under this order shall bear an indication that they are for oral answer in the Scottish Grand Committee.

(3) No more than one notice of a question may be given under this order by any member of the committee for each day specified under paragraph (1) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)) for the taking of questions.

(4) On any day so specified under paragraph (1) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)), questions shall be taken at the commencement of the sitting; no question shall be taken later than three-quarters of an hour after the commencement of the proceedings thereon; and replies to questions not reached shall be printed with the Official Report of the committee’s debates for that day.

(5) Notices of questions under this order may be given ten sitting days before that on which an answer is desired:

Provided that when it is proposed that the House shall adjourn for a period of fewer than four days, any day during that period (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) shall be counted as a sitting day for the purposes of the calculation made under this paragraph.

C. Scottish Grand Committee (short debates)

(1) Notices of subjects to be raised in short debates in the Scottish Grand Committee, on a day specified in an order made under paragraph (1) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)), may be given by members of the committee in the Table Office.

(2) Subjects of which notice is given under paragraph (1) of this order must relate to the official responsibilities of Scottish Office ministers or Scottish law officers.

(3) No more than one notice of a subject may be given under this order by any member of the committee for each day specified under paragraph (1) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)) for the holding of short debates.

(4) On any day so specified such debates shall be held at the commencement of the sitting or, if the order under paragraph (1) specifies also the taking of questions on that day, immediately after questions.

(5)(a) No member of the committee except the minister or law officer replying to the debate shall be called to speak later than half an hour after the commencement of the first such debate.

(b) The Member who gave notice of the subject and the minister or law officer replying to the debate may each speak for five minutes. Other members of the committee may speak for three minutes.

(c) The chairman may direct any member of the committee who exceeds the limits in sub-paragraph (b) to resume his seat forthwith.
(6) Notices of subjects under this order may be given ten sitting days before that on
which they are sought to be raised:

Provided that when it is proposed that the House shall adjourn for a period of fewer
than four days, any day during that period (other than a Saturday or a Sunday)
shall be counted as a sitting day for the purposes of the calculation made under
this paragraph.

D. Scottish Grand Committee (ministerial statements)

(1) The chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee may permit a Scottish Office
minister or a Scottish law officer, whether or not a member of the committee, to make a
statement, of which prior notice has been given to him, and to answer questions thereon
put by members of the committee.

(2) Ministerial statements may be made for the purpose of—

(a) facilitating the questioning by members of the committee of the minister or law
officer, as the case may be, about a matter relating to his official responsibilities as
provided in the second column of the eleventh sub-paragraph of paragraph (2) of
Standing Order No. 130 (Select committees related to government departments),
in which case proceedings under this order shall be brought to a conclusion not
later than three-quarters of an hour after their commencement; or

(b) announcing the policy of the Government on a matter relating to Scotland or the
response of the Government to an event relating to Scotland, in which case
proceedings under this order shall be brought to a conclusion at the discretion of
the chairman.

(3) Ministerial statements may be made—

(a) at the commencement of a sitting; or

(b) if questions are taken, immediately after the conclusion of proceedings thereon;
or

(c) if short debates are held, immediately after the conclusion of those proceedings.

(4) A minister or law officer making a statement under paragraph (1) of this order, who
is not a member of the committee, may not do so from the body of the committee; and
such a minister or law officer shall not vote, make any motion or be counted in the
quorum.

E. Scottish Grand Committee (bills in relation to their principle)

(1) After any public bill has been first printed, the Speaker shall, if of the opinion that
its provisions relate exclusively to Scotland, give a certificate to that effect:

Provided that a certificate shall not be withheld by reason only that a provision of
that bill amends Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975
or Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975.

(2) On the order being read for the second reading of a bill so certified, a motion may
be made by a member of the Government (or in the case of a private Member’s bill, by
the Member in charge of the bill), ‘That the bill be referred to the Scottish Grand
Committee’; and the question thereon shall be put forthwith and may be decided
notwithstanding the expiration of the time for opposed business:

Provided that such a motion may be made by a private Member only with the leave
of the House.

(3) A bill so referred to the Scottish Grand Committee shall be considered on a motion,
‘That the Committee has considered the bill in relation to its principle’; and, when the
committee has considered that question for a total of two and half hours (whether on one
or more than one day), the chairman shall put the question necessary to dispose of the
motion, and shall then report accordingly to the House (or shall report that the committee
has come to no resolution), without any further question being put thereon:

Provided that a member of the government may, immediately before the motion
‘That the Committee has considered the bill in relation to its principle’, is made,
make without notice a motion to extend the time-limit specified in this paragraph;
and the question on such motion shall be put forthwith.

(4) A bill in respect of which a report has been made under paragraph (3) above shall
be ordered to be read a second time on a future day.

(5) On the order being read for the second reading of a bill to which paragraph (4)
above applies, a motion may be made by a member of the government (or, in the case of
a private Member’s bill, by the Member in charge of the bill), ‘That the bill be committed
to a Scottish Standing Committee (or to a special standing committee)’; and the question
thereon shall be put forthwith and may be decided notwithstanding the expiration of the
time for opposed business.
(6) If a motion made under the preceding paragraph be agreed to, the bill shall be deemed to have been read a second time, and shall stand committed to a Scottish Standing Committee (or to a special standing committee).

F. Scottish Grand Committee (statutory instruments)

(1) Where—
(a) a Member has given notice of a motion for a humble address to Her Majesty praying that a statutory instrument be annulled, or of a motion that a draft of an Order in Council be not submitted to Her Majesty in Council, or that a statutory instrument be revoked or be not made, or that the House takes note of a statutory instrument, or
(b) a Minister of the Crown has given notice of a motion to the effect that a statutory instrument or draft statutory instrument be approved,
a motion may be made by a member of the government, 'That the instrument (or draft instrument) be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee'; and the question on such motion shall be put forthwith and may be decided notwithstanding the expiration of the time for opposed business.

(2) The committee shall consider each instrument (or draft instrument) referred to it on a motion, 'That the Committee has considered the instrument (or draft instrument)'; and the chairman shall put any question necessary to dispose of the proceedings on the motion, if not previously disposed of, not later than one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings thereon; and shall thereupon report the instrument or draft instrument to the House without any further question being put.

(3) If any motion is made in the House of the kind specified in paragraph 1(a) or 1(b) of this order, in relation to any instrument or draft instrument in respect of which a report has been made to the House in accordance with paragraph (2) of this order, the Speaker shall put forthwith the question thereon; which may be decided notwithstanding the expiration of the time for opposed business.

G. Scottish Grand Committee (substantive motions for the adjournment)

(1) On each of the days specified in an order of the House under paragraph (1) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)) for the consideration of motions for the adjournment of the Scottish Grand Committee, such motions of which notice has been given in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3) below shall have precedence.

(2) A member of the committee giving notice of a motion for the adjournment of the committee under this order shall—
(a) also give notice of the subject to which he intends to call attention on the motion for the adjournment of the committee, and
(b) give such notice of motion and of the subject in writing not later than ten sitting days before that on which the motion is to be made:
Provided that the subject to which attention is called must relate to Scotland.

(3) The days specified for the consideration of motions for the adjournment of the committee under this order shall be allocated as follows—
(a) six at the disposal of the government;
(b) four at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition;
and, in respect of parties other than that of the Leader of the Opposition,
(c) one at the disposal of the leader of the largest opposition party; and
(d) one at the disposal of the leader of the next largest opposition party:
Provided that a day specified in an order of the House under paragraph (1) of Standing Order H (Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)) on which business is to be interrupted at or after half-past three o'clock shall, if no business other than that to which this order applies is set down for consideration on that day, be deemed to be two days for the purposes of this order.

(4) For the purposes of this order, the 'largest' and 'next largest' opposition parties in Scotland shall be those parties, not being represented in Her Majesty's Government and of which the Leader of the Opposition is not a member, which have the largest and next largest number of Members who represent constituencies in Scotland, and of which not fewer than three Members were elected to the House as members of those parties.

H. Scottish Grand Committee (sittings)

(1) A motion may be made by a member of the government providing (or varying previous provision) for the Scottish Grand Committee—
(a) to sit on specified days at a specified place in Scotland, the sitting commencing at half-past ten o'clock, and proceedings being interrupted at such hour as may be specified;
(b) to sit on other specified days at Westminster at half-past ten o'clock;
(c) to take questions under Standing Order B (Scottish Grand Committee (questions for oral answer)) on certain of the days specified under paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) above;

(d) to hold short debates under Standing Order C (Scottish Grand Committee (short debates)) on certain of the days so specified; and

(e) to consider substantive motions for the adjournment of the committee under Standing Order G (Scottish Grand Committee (substantive motions for the adjournment)) on not more than twelve of the days so specified.

and the Speaker shall put forthwith the question on such a motion, which may be decided after the time for opposed business:

Provided that nothing in this order shall prevent the committee from considering further at a sitting at Westminster business adjourned at a previous sitting in Scotland, nor from considering at a sitting in Scotland business adjourned at a sitting at Westminster.

(2) The provisions of Standing Order No. 88 (Meetings of standing committees), so far as they relate to the naming of a day in respect of business by the Member appointed chairman and the committee's appointment of future days in respect of business not completed at a sitting, shall not apply to the Scottish Grand Committee.

(3) Other than as provided in paragraph (1) of Standing Order G (Scottish Grand Committee (substantive motions for the adjournment)), the government shall determine the precedence of the business appointed for consideration at any sitting of the committee.

(4) The chairman shall interrupt proceedings at the time specified in relation to the sitting by an order made under paragraph (1) above, or, in the absence of such provision, at one o'clock, subject to paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 88 (Meetings of standing committees).

(5) At the moment of interruption, proceedings under consideration and not disposed of shall stand adjourned (except substantive motions for the adjournment of the committee under Standing Order G (Scottish Grand Committee (substantive motions for the adjournment))) which shall lapse.

(6) After the interruption of proceedings, a motion for the adjournment of the committee may be made by a member of the government, and, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 88 (Meetings of standing committees) the chairman shall, not later than half an hour after the motion has been made, adjourn the committee without putting any question; and in respect of business taken under this paragraph, the quorum of the committee shall be three.

That Standing Orders be amended as follows—

(i) Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), by adding at the end of line 91 the words—

"(12) A private Member's bill to which the provisions of paragraphs (2) to (6) of Standing Order E (Scottish Grand Committee (bills in relation to their principle)) have applied, and which has been considered by a Scottish Standing Committee (or by a special standing committee), shall not be set down for consideration on report so as to have precedence over any private Member’s bill so set down which was read a second time on a day preceding that on which the bill was reported from the Scottish Grand Committee under paragraph (3) of that Standing Order";

(ii) Standing Order No. 89 (Procedure in standing committees), in line 1, by leaving our the words "Standing Order No. 94 (Scottish Grand Committee)" and inserting the words "Standing Order A (Scottish Grand Committee (composition and business))"; and

(iii) Standing Order No. 91 (Special standing committees), by inserting at the end of line 13 the words—

"Provided that, in the case of bills certified under paragraph (1) of Standing Order E (Scottish Grand Committee (bills in relation to their principle)) and committed pursuant to paragraph (5) thereof to a special standing committee, the three morning sittings may be held in Scotland"—(Mr Secretary Lang);

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And it being Two hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [8th July]:— It was agreed to.
11 Business of the House, — *Ordered, That*—

(1) at the sitting on Tuesday 12th July, the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Tony Newton relating to Procedure, and Mr Colin Shepherd relating to Catering, respectively, not later than one and a half hours after each such Motion has been entered upon; and the said Motions may be entered upon and proceeded with, though opposed, after Ten o'clock; and

(2) at the sitting on Wednesday 13th July, the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Tony Newton relating to Member’s Allowances and Members’ Interests, respectively, one and a half hours after each such Motion has been entered upon; and the said Motions may be entered upon and proceeded with, though opposed, after Ten o'clock; and

(3) at the sitting on Thursday 14th July, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall put the Question on the Motion in the name of Mrs Gillian Shephard relating to the Fishing Vessels (Decommissioning) Scheme 1994 not later than Seven o'clock. — (*Mr James Arbuthnot.*)

12 Business of the House (Private Member’s Motions), — *Ordered, That the Order [4th March] relating to private Members’ notices of motions shall have effect as if for ‘22nd July’ in line 4 there were substituted ‘21st October’; that the Members who were successful in the ballot held on 6th July for 22nd July shall be deemed to have precedence in the same order for 21st October; and that, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 13(9), notices of subjects to be raised on 21st October may be given at the Table or in the Table Office not later than 21st July. — (*Mr James Arbuthnot.*)

13 Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from Mr Robert William Phipps for an inquiry into the nationality of Htun Minn and the status of Htun Minn’s estates was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn — (*Mr James Arbuthnot*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock on Monday evening and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then half-past Twelve o’clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.30 a.m.]

**APPENDIX I**

**Monday 11th July 1994**

**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**

**Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:**

1 Human Fertilisation and Embryology, — Draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:**


3 Customs and Excise, — (1) Air Passenger Duty (Connected Flights) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1821), and


(2) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Geography) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1744), dated 7th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood];

(3) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in History) (England) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1816), dated 6th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten];

(4) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in History) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1743), dated 7th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood];
(5) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Modern Foreign Languages and Technology at Key Stage 4) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1815), dated 7th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten];
(6) Education (National Curriculum) (Modern Foreign Languages) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1818), dated 7th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten]; and
(7) Lincolnshire College of Art and Design and Lincolnshire College of Agriculture and Horticulture (Dissolution) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1830), dated 11th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

5 Education (Scotland),—(1) Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art (Closure) (Scotland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1715), dated 29th June 1994,
(2) Education (Assisted Places) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1827), dated 8th July 1994, and
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

6 Highways,—Severn Bridge (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1777), dated 2nd July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].


8 Legal Aid and Advice,—(1) Civil Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1822),
(2) Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1823),
(3) Legal Advice and Assistance at Police Stations (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1824), and

9 National Health Service,—Authorities for London Post-Graduate Teaching Hospitals (Abolition) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1831), dated 11th July 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

10 Sea Fisheries,—Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing for Cockles) (Scotland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1828), dated 5th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

11 Social Security,—(1) Income-related Benefits Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 3) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1807), dated 7th July 1994, and
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

12 Crofters (Scotland),—Report of the Crofters Commission for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

13 Development of Tourism,—(1) Report and Accounts of the Scottish Tourist Board for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; and
(2) Accounts of the Scottish Tourist Board for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 571]
[Mr Secretary Lang].

[Mr Secretary Howard].

15 Housing,—Report and Accounts of the Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

16 Local Government, Planning and Land,—Report and Accounts of the London Docklands Development Corporation [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

18 Prisons (Scotland),—Report of the Parole Board for Scotland for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 505] [Mr Secretary Lang].

19 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [19th May] from residents of Talbot Park, Bournemouth, for a change in planning regulations concerning change of use [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

20 Social Security,—Report by the Social Security Advisory Committee on the Income-related Benefits Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 3) Regulations 1994, preceded by a statement by the Secretary of State for Social Security [by Command] [Cm. 2609] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Paper withdrawn:

21 Human Fertilisation and Embryology,—Draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 [laid 5th July].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

Public Accounts,—(1) Thirty-sixth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Advances to Health Authorities 1992-93: South Birmingham Health Authority and Employment Termination Settlements within the National Health Service];

(2) Thirty-seventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Overseas Development Administration: Emergency Relief], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee;

(3) Thirty-eighth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [National Audit Office Estimates 1994-95];

(4) Thirty-ninth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Looking after the Financial Affairs of People with Mental Incapacity];

(5) Fortieth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Property Services in English Occupied Royal Palaces];

(6) Forty-First Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Cost to Business of Complying with VAT Requirements];

(7) Forty-second Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Renewable Energy Research, Development and Demonstration Programme]; and

(8) Forty-third Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Industrial Injuries Scheme], together with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee;

to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 241, 287, 57, 308, 316, 361, 387 and 368] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 133.]

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The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords].—The Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

2 London Local Authorities Bill [Lords].—The London Local Authorities Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

3 Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Croydon Tramlink Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London Local Authorities Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

7 Education (Admission to Higher Education) Bill,—The Order for reading the Education (Admission to Higher Education) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

8 Parliamentary Elections (No. 2) Bill,—The Order for reading the Parliamentary Elections (No. 2) Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

9 Scottish Estimates,—Mr John Maxton reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Estimates, Class XIV Votes 1 and 2, referred to it on 7th July and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 497].

10 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Fair Trading Act (Amendment) (Merger Prenotification) Regulations 1994, referred to a Committee on 23rd June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 587].

11 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir John Hunt reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Anti-Competitive Practices (Exclusions) (Amendment) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 23rd June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 596].

12 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Alcan Aluminium UK Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Gas plc (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft British Telecommunications plc (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Caledonian MacBrayne Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Electricity Generators (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Forth Ports plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Lochaber Power Company (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Mercury Communications Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Railways (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Nuclear Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, the draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994 and the draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 4th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 598].

13 European Standing Committee B,—Sir David Knox reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 11141/93, relating to the access of consumers to justice and the settlement of consumer disputes in the single market; and endorses the draft Government response set out in the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 1st July.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

14 Trade Boycotts Bill,—Mr Spencer Batiste, supported by Sir Rhodes Boyson, Mr David Sumberg, Mr John Marshall, Mr Edward Garnier, Mr Andrew Rowe, Mr Alan Duncan, Mr Greville Janner, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr David Alton and Mr Mike Gapes, presented a Bill to prohibit companies from giving information for the purposes of a trade boycott which has not been approved by United Nations or European Union agreement; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 147].
15 Unfitness to Drive on Medical Grounds,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require medical practitioners to inform the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency in cases where they consider that their patients are unfit to drive on medical grounds: And that Mr George Howarth, Mr Edward O'Hara, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Rupert Allason, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Stephen Day, Mr Peter Kilfoyle and Mr Joe Benton do prepare and bring it in.

16 Unfitness to Drive on Medical Grounds Bill,—Mr George Howarth accordingly presented a Bill to require medical practitioners to inform the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency in cases where they consider that their patients are unfit to drive on medical grounds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 148].

17 Opposition day (18th allotted day),—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Future of the Post Office,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House rejects the options in the Government's Green Paper 'The Future of Postal Services' for whole privatisation or part privatisation of Royal Mail and Parcelforce; records its concern that in order to achieve these options Her Majesty's Government proposes to break up the Post Office, putting at risk the close co-operation and mutual support of Royal Mail, Parcelforce and Post Office Counters; recognises the vital role of post office branches within their local communities and is concerned that the survival of branches in small communities with low turnover will be threatened by the break-up of the Post Office; believes that the best way to safeguard the continued provision of universal access and uniform affordable pricing by Royal Mail is to keep it in public ownership as a public service; congratulates the Post Office on its efficiency while a public corporation in providing the most reliable mail service in Europe at one of the cheapest prices without calling on any public subsidy; is of the view that the future of the Post Office and of its service to its customers can best be secured by providing it with commercial freedom as a single corporation within public ownership; and calls upon the Government to adopt that option—(Mr Robin Cook);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'agrees with the Select Committee on Trade and Industry that the Post Office cannot be retained in its present form; therefore welcomes the publication of the Government's Green Paper on the future of postal services which acknowledges the need for greater commercial freedom for the Post Office and provides increased opportunities for sub-post offices; recognising the importance to communities of Post Office Counters and the Royal Mail, supports the Government's commitment to the universal service at a uniform and affordable tariff, with a nationwide network of post offices; condemns the approach that the only possible solution is 100 per cent. public ownership; and welcomes the opportunity of consultation on the range of options', instead thereof.(Mr Tim Sainsbury.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Jim Dowd: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Irvine Patnick: 305.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 303.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr John Cummings: 247.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House agrees with the Select Committee on Trade and Industry that the Post Office cannot be retained in its present form; therefore welcomes the publication of the Government's Green Paper on the future of postal services which acknowledges the need for greater commercial freedom for the Post Office and provides increased opportunities for sub-post offices; recognising the importance to communities of Post Office Counters and the Royal Mail, supports the Government's commitment to the universal service at a uniform and affordable tariff, with a nationwide network of post offices; condemns the approach that the only possible solution is 100 per cent. public ownership; and welcomes the opportunity of consultation on the range of options.
18 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c), That the draft Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

19 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c), That the draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

20 International Immunities and Privileges.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c), That the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 21st June, be approved—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

21 Trans-European Networks.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 5475/94, relating to general rules for the granting of Community financial aid in the field of Trans-European Networks—(Mr Timothy Wood):—It was agreed to.

22 Procedure.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed,

That—

(1) Standing Order No. 37 (Procedure on divisions) be amended, in line 7, by leaving out ‘this direction’ and inserting ‘the nomination of tellers’;

(2) this House approves the Third Report of Session 1992-93 from the Select Committee on Procedure (House of Commons Paper No. 880 (1992-93)) so far as it relates to the printing of, and the presentation of, private Members’ Bills; and

(3) Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business) be amended, at the end, by adding—

‘(11) An Order appointing a day for the second reading of a private Member’s bill shall lapse at the rising of the House on the preceding sitting day if at that time the bill has not been printed and delivered to the Vote Office, and the House shall make no further order appointing a day for the second reading of the bill until it has been printed’—(Mr Tony Newton);

The Question was amended, in line 1, by leaving out from the word ‘amended’ to the end of line 2 and inserting the words ‘in line 4, by leaving out “After the lapse of” and inserting “Not more than”, and in line 7, by leaving out “six minutes from this direction” and inserting “eight minutes from the direction to clear the lobby”; instead thereof.—(Sir Peter Emery.)

And the Main Question, as amended, being put:

Ordered, That—

(1) Standing Order No. 37 (Procedure on divisions) be amended, in line 4, by leaving out ‘After the lapse of’ and inserting ‘Not more than’, and, in line 7, by leaving out ‘six minutes from this direction’ and inserting ‘eight minutes from the direction to clear the lobby’;

(2) this House approves the Third Report of Session 1992-93 from the Select Committee on Procedure (House of Commons Paper No. 880 (1992-93)) so far as it relates to the printing of, and the presentation of, private Members’ Bills; and

(3) Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business) be amended, at the end, by adding—

‘(12) An Order appointing a day for the second reading of a private Member’s bill shall lapse at the rising of the House on the preceding sitting day if at that time the bill has not been printed and delivered to the Vote Office, and the House shall make no further order appointing a day for the second reading of the bill until it has been printed.’.

23 Catering.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the First Report from the Catering Committee of Session 1993-94, on Refreshment Services for the House of Commons (House of Commons Paper No. 75), and the First Report from the Catering Committee of Session 1992-93, on Refreshment Provision for Line of Route Visitors (House of Commons Paper No. 307 (1992-93))—(Mr Colin Shepherd);
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And it being one and a half hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th July]:—It was agreed to.

24 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr James Arbuthnot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.30 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 12th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Census of Production,—Report on the Census of Production, 1992, on extraction of stone, clay, sand and gravel [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

2 Crown Agents,—Accounts of the Crown Agents Holding and Realisation Board for 1993, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 590] [Clerk of the House].

3 Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland),—Accounts of Scottish Enterprise for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 589] [Clerk of the House].

4 Further and Higher Education (Scotland),—Accounts of the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council for 1992 to 1994, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 592] [Clerk of the House].

5 Government Trading Funds,—(1) Report and Accounts of the Chessington Computer Centre Trading Fund for 1993–94; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 476] [Clerk of the House]; and

(2) Treasury Minute, dated 12th July 1994, indicating a further financial objective desirable of achievement by Chessington Computer Centre Trading Fund [by Act] [Mr Michael Portillo].

6 National Heritage,—Accounts of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 591] [Clerk of the House].

7 Police,—Report of Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Constabulary for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 446] [Mr Secretary Howard].

8 Prisons (Scotland),—Report of the Scottish Prison Service for 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 515] [Mr Secretary Lang].

9 Teachers’ Pensions Agency,—Report and Accounts of the Teachers’ Pensions Agency for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 496] [Mr Secretary Patten].

10 Transport,—Report and Accounts of Scottish Transport Group for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 12th July; to be printed [No. 563-ii] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 European Legislation,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on European Legislation on 12th July; to be printed [No. 594-i] [Mr David Harris].

3 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Twenty-fourth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and

(2) Eighth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [Nos. 19-xxv and 20-viii] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

4 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 12th July; to be printed [No. 593] [Mr John Watts].
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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill, — The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill.
   
   Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

2 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

3 Selection, — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees, — Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Sports (Discrimination) Bill, — Mr Roy Hughes reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Sports (Discrimination) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to make it unlawful for any administrative or rule-making body for a sport to discriminate against persons who have participated, are participating or are expected to participate in any other lawful sport, and for connected purposes.
   
   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday; and to be printed [Bill 149].
   
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 606].

6 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr Roland Boyes reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Education (Inter-authority Recoupment) Regulations 1994, referred to a Committee on 30th June.
   
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 608].

7 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Stonebridge Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 5th July.
   
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 609].

8 European Standing Committee B, — Mr Alan Haselhurst reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution: That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 7390/92 and 7133/93, relating to the development of the single market for postal services; supports the Government's view that the deregulatory thrust of the Commission's Green Paper should be welcomed, whilst reserving judgement on the proposals to liberalise direct mail and all intra-Community and international mail; and urges the Commission to make progress on the formulation of specific proposals.
   
   Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

9 Data Protection Bill, — Mr Harry Cohen presented a Bill to make further provision for the retention, registration, use and disclosure of automatically-processed information relating to individuals; to regulate the provision of services in respect of such information; to provide for a Data Protection Commissioner and a Data Protection Tribunal; to replace the Data Protection Act 1984; and for purposes connected therewith; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 151].

10 War Pensioners (Equal Rights), — Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to review the effect of differential treatment of war disablement and war widow pensioners by local authorities; to bring forward means for equal treatment; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr David Shaw and Diana Maddock do prepare and bring it in.

11 War Pensioners (Equal Rights) Bill, — Mr Simon Hughes accordingly presented a Bill to review the effect of differential treatment of war disablement and war widow pensioners by local authorities; to bring forward means for equal treatment; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 152].
12 Privilege.—Complaint having been made by Mr Nicholas Brown, Member for Newcastle upon Tyne East, of the report in The Sunday Times newspaper of 10th July that Members of the House had been offered, and had accepted, payment for the tabling of Parliamentary Questions;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the matter of the complaint, together with the issues referred to in the statement by the Speaker on 12th July, be referred to the Committee of Privileges—(Mr Nicholas Brown);

Mr Patrick Cormack rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Speaker withheld her assent and declared then to put that Question.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

13 European Union (Accessions) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the European Union (Accessions) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Extended meaning of “the Treaties” and “the Community Treaties”).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

And it being Ten o’clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report progress and ask leave to sit again.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Irvine Patnick reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

14 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day’s sitting, the European Union (Accessions) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr Irvine Patnick):—It was agreed to.

15 European Union (Accessions) Bill,—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the European Union (Accessions) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Extended meaning of “the Treaties” and “the Community Treaties”).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Mr Timothy Kirkhope rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question, That the Question be now put, put and agreed to.

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, put accordingly and agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 and 3 agreed to.

A Clause (Clarification)—(Sir Teddy Taylor)—brought up and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr Andrew MacKay reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

16 Members’ Allowances.—Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the following provisions should have effect—

Part A. Office costs allowance

(1) The limit on the office costs allowance—

(a) for any quarter in the year beginning with 1st April 1994, should be the amount obtained by increasing the limit for a quarter in the immediately preceding year by 2.3 per cent.; and

(b) for any quarter in any subsequent year, should be the amount obtained by increasing the limit for a quarter in the immediately preceding year by the percentage by which the retail prices index for March in that immediately preceding year has increased compared with the retail prices index for the previous March.
(2) The limit on the office costs allowance in relation to Mr David Blunkett should be 2.57 times that determined in accordance with paragraph (1) of this Part of this Resolution.

(3) Any limit determined in accordance with this Part of this Resolution should be calculated to the nearest pound.

(4) In this Part of this Resolution—

“quarter” means a period of three months beginning with 1st April, 1st July, 1st October or 1st January;

“year” means a period of twelve months beginning with 1st April.

(5) The references in paragraph (1)(b) of this Part of this Resolution to the retail prices index are references to the general index of retail prices (for all items) published by the Central Statistical Office; but if that index is not published for a month which is relevant for the purposes of this Part of this Resolution, those references in that paragraph shall be construed as references to any index or index figure published in place of that index.

Part B. Supplementary London allowance

(1) The annual rate of the supplementary London allowance—

(a) for the period of three months beginning with 1st January 1994, should be the amount obtained by increasing the annual rate at which the allowance was paid immediately before that period by 1.5 per cent.;

(b) for the year beginning with 1st April 1994, should be the amount obtained by increasing the annual rate determined in accordance with sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph by 0.4 per cent.; and

(c) for any subsequent year, should be the amount obtained by increasing the rate for the immediately preceding year by the percentage by which the retail prices index for March in that immediately preceding year has increased compared with the retail prices index for the previous March.

(2) Any rate determined in accordance with this Part of this Resolution should be calculated to the nearest pound.

(3) In this Part of this Resolution—

“the supplementary London allowance” means the allowance payable in accordance with paragraph (1) of the Resolution of 20th December 1971 relating to Parliamentary expenses;

“year” means a period of twelve months beginning with 1st April.

(4) The references in paragraph (1)(c) of this Part of this Resolution to the retail prices index are references to the general index of retail prices (for all items) published by the Central Statistical Office; but if that index is not published for a month which is relevant for the purposes of this Part of this Resolution, those references in that paragraph shall be construed as references to any index or index figure published in place of that index.

Part C. Additional costs allowance

(1) The annual limit on the additional costs allowance—

(a) for the year beginning with 1st April 1993, should be the amount obtained by increasing the relevant limit by 1 per cent.;

(b) for the year beginning with 1st April 1994, should be the amount obtained by increasing the annual limit determined in accordance with sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph by 1.81 per cent.; and

(c) for any subsequent year, should be the amount obtained by increasing the limit for the immediately preceding year by the percentage by which the retail prices index for March in that immediately preceding year has increased compared with the retail prices index for the previous March.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) of this Part of this Resolution the relevant limit is the amount equal to 144 times the Class A(i) London rate for a night’s subsistence which took effect in the Civil Service on 1st August 1992.

(3) Any limit determined in accordance with this Part of this Resolution should be calculated to the nearest pound.
(4) In this Part of this Resolution—

“the additional costs allowance” means the allowance payable in accordance with paragraph (2) of the Resolution of 20th December 1971 relating to Parliamentary expenses;

“year” means a period of twelve months beginning with 1st April.

(5) The references in paragraph (1)(c) of this Part of this Resolution to the retail prices index are references to the general index of retail prices (for all items) published by the Central Statistical Office; but if that index is not published for a month which is relevant for the purposes of this Part of this Resolution, those references in that paragraph shall be construed as references to any index or index figure published in place of that index.

Part D. Car mileage allowance

(1) Paragraph (1) of the Resolution of 20th July 1984 relating to the car mileage allowance should have effect—

(a) in relation to journeys commenced in the year beginning with 1st April 1994, as if the rates per mile shown in the Table were the rates obtained by increasing each of the rates at which the allowance was previously paid by 2.3 per cent.; and

(b) in relation to journeys commenced in any subsequent year, as if the rates per mile shown in the Table were the rates obtained by increasing each of the rates for the immediately preceding year by the percentage by which the retail prices index for March in that immediately preceding year has increased compared with the retail prices index for the previous March.

(2) Any rate per mile determined in accordance with this Part of this Resolution should be calculated to the nearest tenth of a penny.

(3) In this Part of this Resolution “year” means a period of twelve months beginning with 1st April.

(4) The references in paragraph (1)(b) of this Part of this Resolution to the retail prices index are references to the general index of retail prices (for all items) published by the Central Statistical Office; but if that index is not published for a month which is relevant for the purposes of this Part of this Resolution, those references in that paragraph shall be construed as references to any index or index figure published in place of that index.

Part E. Winding-up allowance

(1) The following provisions of this Part of this Resolution should have effect with respect to Members of this House who cease to be Members after 31st March 1994.

(2) Provision should be made under arrangements approved by the Speaker for an allowance to be made in respect of the expenses which, after a person has ceased to be a Member, are still required to be incurred in connection with his Parliamentary duties.

(3) The limit on that allowance should be four-thirds of the amount which, for the year in which that person ceases to be a Member, is the limit for that Member on the office costs allowance for a quarter in that year.

(4) The allowance should be paid to the person who has ceased to be a Member or, if he has died, to his personal representatives or a person nominated by him or selected under the arrangements approved by the Speaker.

(5) Any limit determined in accordance with this Part of this Resolution should be calculated to the nearest pound.

(6) In this Part of this Resolution—

“quarter” means a period of three months beginning with 1st April, 1st July, 1st October or 1st January;

“year” means a period of twelve months beginning with 1st April.

Part F. Recall of House during a recess

(1) The following provisions of this Part of this Resolution should have effect with respect to any occasion on which, during a recess, this House is recalled before the expected end of the recess.
(2) Members who attend the House during the recall should be reimbursed in respect of such extra costs which are wholly and exclusively attributable to the recall as are necessarily incurred by them in connection with travelling—

(a) from any place to London; and

(b) during any further recess immediately following the recall, from London to any place (provided that the purpose is to fulfil, before the expected end of that further recess, plans which were in existence before the recall).

(3) For the purposes of this part of this Resolution—

(a) "recess" means not only a period when Parliament stands prorogued to a specified date but also any period when this House stands adjourned to a specified date, and the references to the expected end of a recess are references to that specified date;

(b) "reimbursement", in the case of a Member, means the payment to the Member of the amount of the extra costs concerned and the payment to the Inland Revenue, on account of the income tax liability of the Member, of the difference between that amount and such a sum as, after deduction of tax at the marginal rate applicable to the Member, is equal to that amount; and

(c) "extra costs", in the case of a Member, means costs in respect of which the Member cannot be reimbursed otherwise than by virtue of this Part of this Resolution.—(Mr Tony Newton.)

17 Members' Interests.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the proposals in paragraph 18 of the Second Report from the Select Committee on Members' Interests (House of Commons Paper No. 353)—(Mr Tony Newton);

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An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'takes note of the Second Report from the Select Committee on Members' Interests (House of Commons Paper No. 353); but considers that the existing rule on the registration of Lloyd's syndicate numbers is reasonable and necessary in the interests of transparency and that all honourable Members who are underwriting members of Lloyd's should comply with it.', instead thereof.—(Mr Bill Michie.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Harry Barnes: 30.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Derek Conway: 130.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Derek Conway: 130.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Terry Lewis: 21.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House approves the proposals in paragraph 18 of the Second Report from the Select Committee on Members' Interests (House of Commons Paper No. 353).

18 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, for the remainder of this Session, Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills) shall have effect as if for the words 'nine o'clock in the morning', in line 15, there were substituted the words 'eight o'clock in the morning'.—(Mr Bowen Wells.)

19 Sittings of the House,—Resolved, That—

(1) this House do meet on Thursday 21st July at half-past Nine o'clock;

(2) notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 17 (Time for taking questions), no Questions shall be taken, provided that at Eleven o'clock the Speaker may interrupt the proceedings in order to permit Questions to be asked which are in her opinion of an urgent character and relate either to matters of public importance or to the arrangement of business, statements to be made by Ministers, or personal explanations to be made by Members; and
(3) at Three o'clock the Speaker do adjourn the House without putting any Question, provided that this House shall not adjourn until the Speaker shall have reported that Royal Assent to any Acts agreed upon by both Houses. — (Mr Bowen Wells.)

20 Monopolies and Mergers.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Fair Trading Act (Amendment) (Merger Prenotification) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

21 Competition.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Anti-Competitive Practices (Exclusions) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1557); a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

22 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Alcan Aluminium U.K. Ltd. (Rateable Values (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

23 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft British Gas plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

24 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

25 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Caledonian MacBrayne Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

26 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Electricity Generators (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

27 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Forth Ports plc (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

28 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

29 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Lochaber Power Company (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

30 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Mercury Communications Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.

31 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Railways (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);—It was agreed to.
32 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells).—It was agreed to.

33 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Nuclear Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells).—It was agreed to.

34 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells).—It was agreed to.

35 Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells).—It was agreed to.

36 Consumer Disputes,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 11141/93, relating to the access of consumers to justice and the settlement of consumer disputes in the single market; and endorses the draft Government reponse set out in the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 1st July—(Mr Bowen Wells).—It was agreed to.

37 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from the friends and family of Tommy Lee Bannister for legislation to permit suspects who refuse to give evidence against each other to be charged jointly was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

38 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Wednesday evening and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then two minutes past Two o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.2 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 13th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Wildlife,—Draft Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1770), dated 30th June 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

3 Protection of Wrecks,—Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 1) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1842), dated 12th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

Other Papers:

4 Atomic Energy Authority,—(1) Report of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority—AEA Technology, UKAEA Government Division and Services Division, and (2) Accounts of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
5 Census, — Report of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on Migration in Great Britain, Parts 1 and 2, for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 Citizen's Charter, — Paper, entitled The Civil Service: Continuity and Change [by Command] [Cm. 2627] [Mr William Waldegrave].

7 Courts and Legal Services, — Report of the Lord Chancellor's Department Court Service for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 568] [Mr John M. Taylor].

8 Defence Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the Service Children's Schools (North West Europe) for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 463] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

9 Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland), — Report and Accounts of Scottish Enterprise for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

10 European Communities (No. 5, 1994), — Additional Protocol, done at Brussels on 22nd December 1993, to the Interim Agreement on Trade and Trade Related Matters between the European Economic Community and the European Coal and Steel Community, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part, and to the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part [by Command] [Cm. 2589] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 European Communities (No. 6, 1994), — Additional Protocol, done at Brussels on 5th January 1994, to the Interim Agreement on Trade and Trade Related Matters between the European Economic Community and the European Coal and Steel Community, of the one part, and the Republic of Poland, of the other part, and to the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Poland, of the other part [by Command] [Cm. 2590] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

12 Further and Higher Education, — (1) Accounts of the Further and Higher Education Funding Councils for Wales for the period 6th May 1992 to 31st March 1994, and

(2) Accounts of the Higher Education Funding Council for England for the period 6th May 1992 to 31st March 1994,

with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 605 and 603] [Clerk of the House].

13 Government Accounting, — Paper, entitled Better Accounting for the Taxpayer's Money [by Command] [Cm. 2626] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

14 Government Trading Funds, — Report and Accounts of the Central Office of Information for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 553] [Clerk of the House].

15 House of Commons Commission, — (1) Accounts of the House of Commons Refreshment Department for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and

(2) Report of the House of Commons Commission for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 601 and 602] [The Speaker].

16 Medicines, — Reports of the Medicines Commission, the Committee on Safety of Medicines, the Committee on Dental and Surgical Materials, the British Pharmacopoeia Commission and the Veterinary Products Committee for 1993 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

17 Museums and Galleries, — Accounts of the Museums and Galleries Commission for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 604] [Clerk of the House].

18 Public Accounts, — Treasury Minute on the Twenty-second to Twenty-fourth and Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1993-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2618] [Mr Stephen Dorrell].


20 Scottish Office Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the Registers of Scotland Executive Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 507] [Mr Secretary Lang].
21 Trade and Industry Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Accounts Services Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 523] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

22 Transport,—(1) Report and Accounts of the British Waterways Board for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer]; and
(2) Statement of determination of pensions of widows of two former members of the British Railways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

Paper withdrawn:

23 Wildlife,—Draft Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 [laid 4th July].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 Second Reading Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on the Second Reading Committee on the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lord], viz.: Mr Peter Ainsworth, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Michael Bates, Mr Roger Berry, Mr Paul Boateng, Mr Michael Brown, Judith Church, Mr Tim Devlin, Mr David Lidington, Mr Peter Luff, Mr David Rendel, Mr Geoffrey Robinson, Mr Brian Sedgemore, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Stephen Timms and Mr John Whittingdale.

2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Summer Time Order 1994, viz.: Mr Richard Alexander, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr David Congdon, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr Hugh Dykes, Dame Peggy Fenner, Mr Warren Haskewley, Tessa Jowell, Jane Kennedy, Mr George Kynoch, Mr Norman Lamont, Mr Peter Lloyd, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mrs Ray Michie, Mr Austin Mitchell, Joan Ruddock, Mr Malcolm Wicks and Mr Alan W. Williams.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—(1) Third Report from the Agriculture Committee [MAFF/Intervention Board Departmental Report 1994]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 434]; and
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 25th May; to be printed [No. 347-vii]
[Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence,—Seventh Report from the Defence Committee [Low Flying: Follow-Up to the Fifth Report of Session 1989-90], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 314] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Education,—Second Special Report from the Education Committee [Government Response to the First Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94 (A Common Funding Formula for Grant-Maintained Schools)]; to be printed [No. 597] [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

4 Environment,—Third Report from the Environment Committee [DoE Estimates 1994-95 and Annual Report 1994], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 414] [Mr Robert B. Jones].

5 European Legislation,—Twenty-fifth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xxv] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

6 Foreign Affairs,—(1) Third Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Public Expenditure: Pergau Hydro-Electric Project, Malaysia: the Aid and Trade Provision and related matters], with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 271];
(2) Memoranda laid before the Foreign Affairs Committee
[Mr Peter Shore].

7 National Heritage,—Fifth Report from the National Heritage Committee [The British Library]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 550] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

8 Northern Ireland Affairs,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 13th July; to be printed [No. 610-i]; and
2 (2) Memorandum laid before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee [Sir James Kilfedder].

9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 13th July; to be printed [No. 599-i] [Mr James Pawsey].

10 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Procedure on 13th July; to be printed [No. 545-ii] [Sir Peter Emery].

11 Science and Technology,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 13th July; to be printed [No. 611-i] [Sir Giles Shaw].

12 Scottish Affairs,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 13th July; and
   (2) Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 26th January, 2nd February and 4th May;
   to be printed [Nos. 230-x, 187 and 383] [Mr William McKelvey].

13 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 13th July; to be printed [No. 470-v] [Mr Frank Field].

   (2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee;
   to be printed [Nos. 569 and 220-II] [Mr Richard Caborn].

15 Transport,—Fourth Special Report from the Transport Committee [Government Observations on the First Report from the Committee (The Provision of Search and Rescue Services)]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 607] [Mr Paul Channon].

16 Welsh Affairs,—(1) Second Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee [Wind Energy], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 336-I and III]; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee [Mr Gareth Wardell].

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 13th July 1994

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the draft Summer Time Order 1994 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—
   (1) Sir James Kilfedder Chairman of the Second Reading Committee on the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords];
   (2) Mr Roland Boyes Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. in respect of the draft Summer Time Order 1994;
   (3) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 7073/94, relating to the development of the trans-European transport network; and
   (4) Mr James Hill Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 5744/94, relating to voting and candidacy rights in local elections.

3 European Standing Committees,—(1) In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 8441/93, relating to the protection of animals during transport, and 7541/94, relating to the fisheries multi-annual guidance programme 1993, have been referred to European Standing Committee A.

   (2) European Community Document No. 7988/94, relating to the conclusion of a partnership and co-operation agreement with Russia, has been referred to European...
Standing Committee B in place of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on 16th June, which was referred on 22nd June.

[No. 135.]

Thursday 14th July 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill;

   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th October.

2 Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill,—The Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill was read the third time, and passed.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Nicholas Winterton reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Insurance Premium Tax (Taxable Insurance Contracts) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1698), referred to a Committee on 5th July.

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 612].

7 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Barry Jones reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994, referred to a Committee on 21st June.

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 620].

8 Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill,—Ordered, That the Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

9 Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill,—The Order for reading the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill a second time to-morrow was read and discharged.

   Bill to be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

10 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) (Wales) Bill,—Mr Barry Jones, supported by Mr Alfred Morris, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Dai Ie Gwyllig, Mr Neil Kinnock, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Donald Anderson, Mr Gareth Wardell, Dr John Marek, Mr David Hanson, Mr Roy Hughes and Mr Martyn Jones, presented a Bill to prohibit, in Wales, discrimination against disabled persons on the grounds of their disability; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 153].

11 Sea Fisheries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Fishing Vessels (Decommissioning) Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1568), a copy of which was laid before this House on 15th June, be approved—(Mr Michael Jack);

   And it being Seven o'clock, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [11th July]:—It was agreed to.

12 London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

   An Amendment (No. 1) was proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 38, after the word 'areas', to insert the words 'subject to any order under section 31 (Alteration of limits of jurisdiction) of this Act'—(Mr Nigel Spearing);
Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 23, to leave out subsection (4)—(Mr Nigel Spearing);

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment (No. 3) was made to the Bill.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Irvine Patnick);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

14 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Irvine Patnick.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.13 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Thursday 14th July 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Income Tax.—(1) General and Special Commissioners (Amendment of Enactments) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1813),
   (2) General Commissioners (Jurisdiction and Procedure) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1812), and
   (3) Special Commissioners (Jurisdiction and Procedure) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1811),
dated 6th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

Other Papers:

2 Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Central Science Laboratory for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 464] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

3 Cabinet Office Executive Agencies,—Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) the Occupational Health Service, and
   (2) the Recruitment and Assessment Services
   for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 529 and 484] [Mr William Waldegrave].

4 Cash Limits,—Statement on Cash Limits for 1993-94; provisional outturn; with 1992-93 outturn [by Command] [Cm. 2617] [Mr Michael Portillo].

5 Dentistry,—Paper, entitled Improving NHS Dentistry [by Command] [Cm. 2625] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


7 Development of Tourism,—Accounts of the English Tourist Board for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 614] [Clerk of the House].
8 Environment Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of Ordnance Survey for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 455] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


10 Firearms, — Report of the Firearms Consultative Committee for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 488] [Mr Secretary Howard].

11 Government Trading Funds, — Report and Accounts of Companies House for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 508] [Clerk of the House].

12 Judicial Statistics, — Judicial Statistics for England and Wales for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2623] [Mr John M. Taylor].

13 Local Government, — Report and Accounts of the Local Government Commission for England for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

14 Local Government (Scotland), — Accounts of the Commission for Local Authority Accounts in Scotland for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 616] [Clerk of the House].

15 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Control of Prison Building Projects [by Act]; to be printed [No. 595] [Clerk of the House].

16 National Heritage, — Accounts of the National Heritage Memorial Fund for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 613] [Clerk of the House].

17 New Towns (Scotland), — Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) the Cumbernauld Development Corporation for 1994,
   (2) the East Kilbride Development Corporation for 1994,
   (3) the Glenrothes Development Corporation for 1993-94,
   (4) the Irvine Development Corporation for 1993-94, and
   (5) the Livingstone Development Corporation for 1993-94
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

18 Public Lending Right, — Accounts of the Public Lending Right Central Fund for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 615] [Clerk of the House].

19 Scottish Land Court, — Report as to the proceedings of the Scottish Land Court for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2601] [Mr Secretary Lang].

20 Scottish Office Executive Agencies, — Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) Historic Scotland, and
   (2) the Scottish Fisheries Protection Agency
   for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act];
   to be printed [Nos. 528 and 480] [Mr Secretary Lang].

21 Transport Executive Agencies, — Reports and Accounts of
   (1) the Driving Standards Agency, and
   (2) the Transport Research Laboratory
   for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act];
   to be printed [Nos. 527 and 489] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Richard Alexander and Mr Warren Hawksley (nominated in respect of the draft Summer Time Order 1994), and had appointed in substitution Dr Liam Fox and Mr Oliver Heald.
APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 European Legislation.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the European Legislation Committee on 14th July; to be printed [No. 304-ii] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

2 Health.—First Special Report from the Health Committee [Memorandum from the Department of Health on Public Expenditure on Health and Personal Social Services], together with an Appendix, and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 13th July; to be printed [No. 617] [Mrs Marion Roe].

3 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—(1) Fifth Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [Government Reply to the First Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1993–94: The Powers, Work and Jurisdiction of the Ombudsman]; and

(2) Sixth Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [Report of the Health Service Commissioner for 1992–93], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee, to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 619 and 42]; [Mr James Pawsey].

[No. 136.]

Friday 15th July 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Trade Marks Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London Docklands Development Corporation Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

3 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from

(1) residents of Abbey Wood against the proposed closure of Abbey Wood Sorting Office; and

(2) residents of the United Kingdom in favour of dog registration

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

4 Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 31 were agreed to.

It being Eleven o'clock, the Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings).

5 Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Sir John Wheeler, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.
6 Marriage Bill, — The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Marriage Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.
   The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

7 Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], — The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.
   The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

8 Sports (Discrimination) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Sports (Discrimination) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
   Ordered, That the Bill be considered on Friday 21st October.

9 Energy Conservation Bill, — The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Energy Conservation Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.
   A Clause (Commencement) — (Mr Robert G. Hughes) — brought up, and read the first time.
   Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
   The House divided.
   Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Gyles Brandreth, Mr George Kynoch: 63.
   Tellers for the Noes, Mr Roger Evans, Mr Michael Bates: 2.
   So the Question was agreed to.
   The Clause was accordingly read a second time.
   It being after half-past Two o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.
   Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Friday 21st October.

10 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
   Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Monday 18th July.

11 Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

12 Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

13 Marriage (Amendment) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Amendment) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

14 Regulation of Cosmetic Surgery Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Regulation of Cosmetic Surgery Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

15 Hereditary Peers (Democratic Rights) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hereditary Peers (Democratic Rights) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

16 Homicide (Defence of Provocation) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Homicide (Defence of Provocation) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

17 Contaminated Land (Remediation) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contaminated Land (Remediation) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

18 Tampons (Safety) Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tampons (Safety) Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

19 Regulation of Diet Industry Bill, — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Regulation of Diet Industry Bill;
   Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.
20 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, That the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 21st October.

21 Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

22 Children Act 1989 (Prohibition of Corporal Punishment) Amendment Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Act 1989 (Prohibition of Corporal Punishment) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

23 Treasure Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Treasure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

24 Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

25 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, that the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 21st October.

26 Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

27 Unfair Dismissal (Insolvency of Employer) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Unfair Dismissal (Insolvency of Employer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

28 Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Inquiries (Improved Procedures) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st October.

29 Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at the sitting on Tuesday 19th July, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall put the Questions on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Patten relating to the draft Education (Assisted Places) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 and Mr Secretary Gummer relating to the draft Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994, respectively, not later than one and a half hours after each Motion has been entered upon, and the said Motions may be entered upon and proceeded with, though opposed, after Ten o'clock. (Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

30 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr Robert G. Hughes.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 18th July.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.

APPENDIX
Friday 15th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Building and Buildings,—Building Regulations (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1850), dated 12th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

2 Education,—Education (Annual Consideration of Ballot on Grant-Maintained Status) (Wales) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1861), dated 13th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

3 Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1862), dated 12th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].
4 Social Security,—(1) Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1832), dated 11th July 1994, and

(2) Statutory Maternity Pay (Compensation of Employers) and Miscellaneous Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1882), dated 14th July 1994

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].


Other Papers:

6 Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Veterinary Medicines Directorate for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 556] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

7 Broadcasting,—Accounts of the Broadcasting Standards Council for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 624] [Clerk of the House].

8 Defence Executive Agencies,—Reports and Accounts of—

(1) the Chemical and Biological Defence Establishment, and

(2) the Defence Operational Analysis Centre

for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 486 and 478] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

9 Electoral Law,—Report by the independent official observer on the conduct and context of the national and municipal elections in El Salvador on 20th March 1994 [by Command] [Cm. 2624] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

10 Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland),—Accounts of the Highlands and Islands Enterprise for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 627] [Clerk of the House].

11 Environmental Protection,—Account of the Nature Conservancy Council for England for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 626] [Clerk of the House].

12 Health Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the NHS Estates for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 500] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

13 National Health Service (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Scotland on 12th July 1994 on borrowing by East Midlothian National Health Service Trust [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

14 National Heritage Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Historic Royal Palaces for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 555] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

15 Severn Bridges,—Account prepared pursuant to the Severn Bridges Act 1992 for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 625] [Clerk of the House].
Monday 18th July 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr George Mudie reported from the Committee on the British Waterways Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned beyond the next sitting day.

3 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords].—Sir James Kilfedder reported from the Second Reading Committee on the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords], That it had come to the following Resolution which it had directed him to report to the House: That the Committee recommends that the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] ought to be read a second time.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 628].

5 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Roland Boyes reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Summer Time Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 7th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 742].

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Police and Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Education Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Drug Trafficking Offences Act 1986 and certain provisions of the Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) Act 1990 relating to drug trafficking; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

7 Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords].—The Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 155].

8 The Economy,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House welcomes the publication of the Government's latest economic forecast, which shows growth continuing at a steady and sustainable rate and inflation remaining within its target range; and congratulates the Government on its economic policies which have laid the foundations for the non-inflationary growth, rising industrial production and falling unemployment that is now being seen—(Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer); An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'notes the publication of the Government's latest economic forecast and the continuing tax rises—including the two new taxes in the autumn—and cuts in public services forcing down the living standards of millions of people; calls on the Government to reconsider the plan of raising VAT to 17.5 per cent. on fuel; notes the Governor of the Bank of England's remark that interest rates may rise, so hitting homeowners, mortgage holders and investment yet again; and condemns the appallingly high level of unemployment under this Conservative Government and the absence of a long term economic strategy for Britain—itself essential to both the achievement of long-term high growth and the reduction of inflation—which tackles under-investment in people, industry and the social and economic fabric with a new industrial training and employment policy for the country', instead thereof. (Mr Gordon Brown.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Dennis Turner: 261.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 302.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put:—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the publication of the Government’s latest economic forecast, which shows growth continuing at a steady and sustainable rate and inflation remaining within its target range; and congratulates the Government on its economic policies which have laid the foundations for the non-inflationary growth, rising industrial production and falling unemployment that is now being seen.

9 Estimates,—It being after Ten o’clock, the Speaker put the Question which she was directed to put pursuant to paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 53 (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.).

Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1994–95

Resolved, That a further sum, not exceeding £116,027,407,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1995, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 276, 277, 278 and 447.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolution: and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Michael Portillo, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Sir John Cope and Mr Anthony Nelson do prepare and bring it in.

10 Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill,—Mr Stephen Dorrell accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on 31st March 1995; to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament; and to repeal certain Consolidated Fund and Appropriation Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 150].

11 Transport,—Resolved, That the draft Railway Pensions (Transfer and Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 7th July, be approved. —(Mr Roger Freeman.)

12 Agriculture,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 14th June, be approved.—(Mr Andrew MacKaye): It was agreed to.

13 Housing,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Stonebridge Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved.—(Mr Andrew MacKaye): It was agreed to.

14 Education,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Education (Inter-authority Recoupment) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 17th June, be approved.—(Mr Andrew MacKaye): It was agreed to.

15 Insurance Premium Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Insurance Premium Tax (Taxable Insurance Contracts) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1698), a copy of which was laid before this House on 30th June, be approved. —(Mr Andrew MacKaye): It was agreed to.

16 Postal Services,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of the European Community Documents Nos. 7390/92 and 7133/93, relating to the development of the single market for postal services; supports the Government’s view that the deregulatory thrust of the Commission’s Green Paper should be welcomed, whilst reserving judgement on the proposals to liberalise direct mail and all intra-Community and international mail; and urges the Commission to make progress on the formulation of specific proposals.—(Mr Andrew MacKaye): It was agreed to.
17 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Andrew MacKay);

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And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes past Twelve o’clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.8 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 18th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Social Security,—Social Security (Credits) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1837), dated 11th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

2 Aliens’ Employment,—Office of the Minister of Public Service and Science Minute, dated 8th July 1994, relating to aliens employed in a civil capacity under the Crown during 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr William Waldegrave].


4 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
   (1) extraction of miscellaneous minerals (including salt),
   (2) motor vehicle bodies, trailers and caravans,
   (3) railway and tramway vehicles, and
   (4) shipbuilding and repairing
   [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

5 Channel Tunnel,—Department of Transport Minute, dated 18th July 1994, on a contingent liability consequent on the leasing of Channel Tunnel High Speed Train Sets by European Passenger Services Limited [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

6 Housing Associations,—Report and Accounts of the Housing Corporation for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

7 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—
   (1) Ministry of Defence: management of the Trident Works Programme, and
   (2) the performance of the Crown Estate
   [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 621 and 622] [Clerk of the House].

8 Post Office,—Report of the Post Office Users’ Council for Scotland for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

9 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [21st April] from residents of Lancashire for the restoration of the county of Lancashire [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 18th July; to be printed [No. 376-vi] [Mr Paul Channon].
Tuesday 19th July 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Humber Bridge Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

2 Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords].—The Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

3 Malvern Hills Bill [Lords].—The Malvern Hills Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

4 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I.)

5 Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill.—Mr Jerry Hayes reported from the Committee on the Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

6 Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II.)

7 European Standing Committee A.—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 7073/94, relating to the development of trans-European transport networks; and endorses the Government's proposed approach to negotiations on the proposal in the Council.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

8 European Standing Committee B.—Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 5744/94, relating to local government elections; welcomes the principle expressed in that document that the laws of Member States should apply as far as possible; and endorses the main policy objectives of the Government as expressed in paragraph 22 of the Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Home Office on 22nd April 1994, in particular the Government's view expressed in paragraph 11 of the Memorandum that proposals for the attestation of non-national candidates at local government elections by their home Member State are unworkable in the United Kingdom, and the view expressed in paragraph 15 of the Memorandum that the provisions of the Directive should be reviewable.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

9 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

10 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) (Northern Ireland) Bill.—The Reverend Martin Smyth, supported by Mr Alfred Morris, Mr James Molyneaux, Dr Joe Hendron, Mr Ken Maginnis, The Reverend William McCrea, Mr William Ross, Mr Roy Beggs and Mr Clifford Forsyth, presented a Bill to prohibit, in Northern Ireland, discrimination against disabled persons on the grounds of their disability; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 154].
11 Control of Car Boot Sales Bill.—Mr William Cash, supported by Sir Michael Neubert, Mr Michael Alison, Mr John Whittingdale, Mr Iain Duncan Smith, Mr Bernard Jenkin, Mr Christopher Gill, Mr Douglas French, Mr Charles Hendry, Mr David Nicholson, Mr Richard Spring and Mr Keith Mans, presented a Bill to regulate the holding of certain occasional sales; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 156].

12 Environmental Claims Bill.—Mr Alan Keen, supported by Mr Andrew Robathan, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Cynog Dafis and Mr Jon Owen Jones, presented a Bill to prevent the making of false or unsupported environmental claims and similar claims relating to animal welfare in relation to goods or services; and for purposes connected with those matters: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 157].

13 European Communities (Community Law).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the European Communities Act 1972 so as to provide for the application of Community law within the United Kingdom to be supervised by Parliament.—(Mr Bernard Jenkin);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motion for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr Bernard Jenkin, Mr Michael Brown, Mr David Nicholson, Mr David Evans, Mr David Congdon, Mr David Faber, Mr Nick Harvey, Mr Peter Thornham, Mr Harold Elletson, Mr Nirj Joseph Deva, Mr Andrew Robathan and Mr John Sykes do prepare and bring in the Bill.

14 European Communities (Community Law) Bill.—Mr Bernard Jenkin accordingly presented a Bill to amend the European Communities Act 1972 so as to provide for the application of Community law within the United Kingdom to be supervised by Parliament: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 158].

15 Opposition day [13th allotted day: second part].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Water Industry.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes that since water privatisation in England and Wales, there has been a 48 per cent increase in domestic water disconnections, a 67 per cent increase in consumers’ bills, a 125 per cent increase in water companies’ profits and a 133 per cent increase in the average pay of water company chairmen; believes that in providing a basic necessity such as water, essential to life and health, the needs of the consumer must come first; regrets that instead of this the privatised companies have put dividend growth and directors’ benefits first; expresses alarm at the rise in domestic water charges, especially in areas such as the South West; insists that high standards of drinking water quality and standards of water treatment must be achieved, but believes that the cost of this investment should not be placed almost entirely as a burden on current customers; deplores the manner in which the democratically expressed wishes of the Scottish people with regard to water are being overridden by Her Majesty’s Government; calls for an immediate ban on domestic water disconnections and on the compulsory introduction of domestic water meters; and insists on the introduction of a tougher regulatory regime for water that puts the public first—(Mr Chris Smith);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘congratulates the water industry in England and Wales on its achievements since privatisation and commends the proposals for restructuring in Scotland which will facilitate the use of private finance; notes the improvements which have been made in environmental standards in particular with regard to the quality of rivers and bathing waters, and the consistently high quality of drinking water; notes that the industry in England and Wales is pressing ahead with a £3 billion a year investment programme which will result in further improvements to the upgrading of water and sewerage systems without placing undue burdens on consumers; and further notes that the privatised industry is successfully using its expertise to gain major contracts overseas, something which could not have been achieved under the policies of the last Labour government,’ instead thereof.—(Mr Robert Atkins.)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question;

Mr Jon Owen Jones rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:— It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Peter Kilfoyle: 257.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 291.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House congratulates the water industry in England and Wales on its achievements since privatisation and commends the proposals for restructuring in Scotland which will facilitate the use of private finance; notes the improvements which have been made in environmental standards in particular with regard to the quality of rivers and bathing waters, and the consistently high quality of drinking water; notes that the industry in England and Wales is pressing ahead with a £3 billion a year investment programme which will result in further improvements to the upgrading of water and sewerage systems without placing undue burdens on consumers; and further notes that the privatised industry is successfully using its expertise to gain major contracts overseas, something which could not have been achieved under the policies of the last Labour government.

16 Wildlife,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 13th July, be approved—(Mr Robert Atkins);

And it being one and a half hours after the Motion was entered upon, the Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [15th July]:—It was agreed to.

17 Education,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Education (Assisted Places) (Amendment) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 7th July, be approved—(Mr Bowen Wells);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 191.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Eric Illsley: 160.

So the Question was agreed to;

Resolved, That the draft Education (Assisted Places) (Amendment) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 7th July, be approved.

18 Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 90 (Second reading committees), That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

19 Summer Time,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committee an Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Summer Time Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 27th June—(Mr Andrew Mitchell);— It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty’s Household.

20 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures).—Resolved, That the Church of England (Legal Aid) Measure, passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, be presented to Her Majesty for her Royal Assent in the form in which the said Measure was laid before Parliament.—(Mr Michael Alison.)

21 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) citizens of the United Kingdom against the closure of the accident and emergency department of Orsett Hospital,

(2) users and potential users of existing paediatric provisions in Sheffield against the closure of children’s wards at the Northern General Hospital, and
(3) users and potential users of the existing accident and emergency provisions in Sheffield and its environs for the maintenance of the current accident and emergency services in Sheffield were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

22 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from parents of children attending St. Andrew’s Church of England School, Monmouth Street, Hove, for the enactment of legislation to make the fitting of seat belts to school buses and all transport for school outings a statutory requirement was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

23 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr Timothy Wood.) And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes past Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.12 p.m.

APPENDIX I
Tuesday 19th July 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Weights and Measures,—(1) Draft Units of Measurement Regulations 1994,
   (2) draft Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994, and
   (3) draft Weights and Measures (Metrication) (Miscellaneous Goods) (Amendment) Order 1994,
   [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Education,—Special Educational Needs Tribunal Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1910), dated 14th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Patten].

3 Medicines,—(1) Medicines (Advertising) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1932), and

4 Monopolies and Mergers,—Monopoly References (Alteration of Exclusions) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1922), dated 14th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

5 National Health Service,—(1) Aylesbury Vale Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1913),
   (2) East Yorkshire Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1914),
   (3) Enfield Community Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1915),
   (4) Glenfield Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1917),
   (5) Leicester General Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1916),
   (6) Leicester Royal Infirmary National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1918),
   (7) Milton Keynes Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1919),
   (8) Milton Keynes General National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1920), and
   (9) South West Durham Mental Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1921),
dated 15th July 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

6 Prices,—Price Marking (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1853), dated 13th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

7 Prisons,—Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1931), dated 18th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
8 Road Traffic,—Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Recording Equipment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1838), dated 11th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

9 Social Security,—Income-related Benefits Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 4) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1924), dated 18th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

10 Weights and Measures,—(1) Weights and Measures (Metrication Amendments) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1851), and

(2) Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods and Quantity Marking and Abbreviations of Units) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1852),

dated 13th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

11 Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of ADAS: Food, Farming, Land and Leisure, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 580] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

12 Broadcasting,—Report of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission for 1993–94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 584] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

13 Building Societies,—Account of the Building Societies Commission for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 633] [Clerk of the House].

14 Civil Aviation,—Report and Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary MacGregor].

15 Countryside Commission,—Account of the Countryside Commission for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 632] [Clerk of the House].

16 Defence,—Lists of exceptions to—

(1) the Air Force Regulations,

(2) the Army Regulations, and

(3) the Navy Regulations

as to pay, non-effective pay and allowances during 1993–94 [by Command] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

17 Defence Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of—

(1) the Defence Postal and Courier Services, and

(2) the Queen Victoria School, Dunblane

for 1993–94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 544 and 510] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

18 Development of Tourism,—Accounts of the British Tourist Authority for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 634] [Clerk of the House].

19 Friendly Societies,—(1) Accounts of the Friendly Societies Commission for—

(i) the period 1st October 1992 to 31st March 1993, and

(ii) 1993–94,

with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 629 and 630] [Clerk of the House]; and


20 Government Trading Funds,—(1) Reports and Accounts of—

(i) HM Land Registry,

(ii) the Patent Office, and

(iii) the Vehicle Inspectorate

for 1993–94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 475, 618 and 505] [Clerk of the House]; and
(2) Treasury Minute, dated 19th July 1994, indicating a further financial objective desirable of achievement by Her Majesty's Stationery Office for 1994 [by Act] [Mr Michael Portillo].

21 Housing,—Report and Accounts of—
(1) Castle Vale Housing Action Trust,
(2) North Hull Housing Action Trust, and
(3) Tower Hamlets Housing Action Trust
for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

22 Human Fertilisation and Embryology,—Report of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority for 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

23 Local Government Finance,—Accounts of the Audit Commission for Local Authorities and the National Health Service in England and Wales for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 635] [Clerk of the House].

24 Local Government, Planning and Land,—(1) Report and Accounts of Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation,
(2) Report and Accounts of Black Country Development Corporation,
(3) Report and Financial Statement of Central Manchester Development Corporation,
(4) Report and Financial Statements of Leeds Development Corporation,
(5) Report and Financial Statement of Merseyside Development Corporation,
(6) Report and Financial Statements of Plymouth Development Corporation,
(7) Report and Accounts of Sheffield Development Corporation,
(8) Report and Financial Statements of Teeside Development Corporation,
(9) Report and Financial Statements of the Trafford Park Development Corporation, and
(10) Report and Financial Statements of Tyne and Wear Development Corporation for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

25 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [21st April] from the residents of Chard, Somerset, for the protection of hedgerows.

26 Scottish Affairs,—Government response to the First Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94, on drug abuse in Scotland [by Command] [Cm 2629] [Mr Secretary Lang].

27 Scottish Office Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of Scottish Agricultural Science Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 452] [Mr Secretary Lang].

28 Trade and Industry Executive Agencies,—Reports and Accounts of—
(1) the National Engineering Laboratory, and
(2) Warren Spring Laboratory
for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 578 and 540] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

29 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Petition, Draft Charter and Statutes relating to the incorporation by Royal Charter of—
(1) Mansfield College, Oxford, and
(2) Templeton College, Oxford
[by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

30 Water Resources,—Report and Accounts of the National Rivers Authority for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].
APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 19th July; to be printed [No. 560-ii] [Mr David Howell].

2 Statutory Instruments, —(1) Twenty-fifth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and

(2) Ninth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a Memorandum laid before the Committee;

to be printed [Nos. 19-xxvi and 20-ix] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

3 Trade and Industry,—(1) Third Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Optical Fibre Networks]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 285-I]; and

(2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee

[Mr Richard Caborn].

4 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 19th July; to be printed [No. 27-xi] [Mr John Watts].

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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill,—Ordered, That in the case of the Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill, Standing Order No. 208 (Notice of Consideration of Lords Amendments) be suspended and that the Lords Amendments be now considered.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments; and the same were agreed to, one with an Amendment.

2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

3 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Firearms (Amendment) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to one of their Amendments to the Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill, without Amendment.

6 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 160].

7 Liaison,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee on 14th and 28th June be printed [No. 652].

8 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) (Scotland) Bill,—Mr Gordon McMaster, supported by Mr Alfred Morris, Sir David Steel, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mr Adam Ingram, Mr Jimmy Wray, Mr William McKelvey, Maria Fyfe and Mr Don Dixon, presented a Bill to prohibit, in Scotland, discrimination against disabled persons on the ground of their disability; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st October and to be printed [Bill 159].
9 Sale of Teesside International Airport &c.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the sale of Teesside International Airport to the private sector, and to make other provision in respect of the sale of municipally owned airports—(Mr Michael Bates);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Bates, Mr Charles Hendry: 63.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew Mackinlay, Mr Dennis Skinner: 132.

So the Question was negatived.

10 Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting,—

(1) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 9 (Sittings of the House), the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister for the Adjournment of the House shall not lapse at Ten o'clock and may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Eight o'clock in the morning, at which hour the Motion shall lapse; and

(2) the Speaker shall, not later than one and a half hours after the Motion in the name of Mr Greg Knight relating to Privileges has been entered upon, put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings thereon; notwithstanding the practice of the House, the Motion shall be regarded as a single Motion; and the said Motion may be proceeded with after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell.)

11 Adjournment (Summer).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn until Monday 17th October—(Mr Tony Newton);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 170.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Paul Flynn, Mr Harry Barnes: 74.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn till Monday 17th October.

12 Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read a second time: It was agreed to.

And the Question being put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time: It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

13 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without Amendment.

14 Local Government Elections.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 5744/94, relating to local government elections; welcomes the principle expressed in that document that the laws of Member States should apply as far as possible; and endorses the main policy objectives of the Government as expressed in paragraph 22 of the Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Home Office on 22nd April 1994, in particular the Government's view expressed in paragraph 11 of the Memorandum that proposals for the attestation of non-national candidates at local government elections by their home Member State are unworkable in the United Kingdom, and the view expressed in paragraph 15 of the Memorandum that the provisions of the Directive should be reviewable—(Mr Bowen Wells):—It was agreed to.

15 Trans-European Transport Networks.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 7073/94, relating to the development of trans-European transport networks; and endorses the Government's proposed approach to negotiations on the proposal in the Council—(Mr Bowen Wells):—It was agreed to.
16 Privileges.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr Attorney General, Mr David Alton, Mr Tony Benn, Sir Marcus Fox, Sir Peter Hordern, Mr Doug Hoyle, Dame Jill Knight, Mr Bill Michie, Sir David Mitchell, Mr Alfred Morris, Mr John Morris, Mr Tony Newton, Sir Cranley Onslow, Sir Giles Shaw, Mr Peter Shore, Sir James Spicer and Mr Alan Williams be members of the Committee of Privileges—(Mr Tony Newton);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2 to leave out the words 'Sir Marcus Fox'.—(Mr Chris Mullin.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Paul Flynn, Mr Eddie Loyden: 43.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Andrew MacKay: 158.

So the Question was negatived.

And it being after one and a half hours after the Motion had been entered upon, the Speaker put the Main Question, pursuant to Order [this day].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Derek Conway: 151.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Paul Flynn, Mr Dafydd Wigley: 23.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr Attorney General, Mr David Alton, Mr Tony Benn, Sir Marcus Fox, Sir Peter Hordern, Mr Doug Hoyle, Dame Jill Knight, Mr Bill Michie, Sir David Mitchell, Mr Alfred Morris, Mr John Morris, Mr Tony Newton, Sir Cranley Onslow, Sir Giles Shaw, Mr Peter Shore, Sir James Spicer and Mr Alan Williams be members of the Committee of Privileges.

17 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Bowen Wells);

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And it being Eight o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put, pursuant to Order [yesterday].

18 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from

(1) members of the A36 Corridor Alliance and Save our Solsbury Group for a balanced transport strategy in the Bath and Bristol areas; and

(2) residents of Torfaen for amendment of the Child Support Act were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

19 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes past Eight o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 8.27 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 20th July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Income Tax,—(1) Draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Estonia) Order 1994

(2) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Guernsey) Order 1994

(3) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1994

(4) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994

(5) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994

(6) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Jersey) Order 1994

(7) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994

(8) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1994, and

(9) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Vietnam) Order 1994

[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
2 Inheritance Tax.—Draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances) (Switzerland) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

3 Legal Aid and Advice.—Draft Legal Aid Advisory Committee (Dissolution) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

4 Local Government.—Draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Construction and Property Services) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

5 Health and Safety.—Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1886), dated 15th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Portillo].

Other Papers:

6 Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Executive Agency.—Report and Accounts of the Central Veterinary Laboratory for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 559] [Mr William Waldegrave].

7 British Library.—Accounts of the British Library for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 651] [Clerk of the House].


9 Census of Production.—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
   (1) building products of concrete, cement or plaster
   (2) cycles and motorcycles
   (3) iron and steel industry
   (4) leather (tanning and dressing) and fellmongery
   (5) miscellaneous electronic equipment, and
   (6) motor vehicle parts
   [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

10 County Courts.—County Court Fees (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1936), dated 19th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

11 Crown Agents.—Report of the Chairman of the Crown Agents Holding and Realisation Board for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

12 Defence Executive Agencies.—Report and Accounts of—
   (1) the Defence Analytical Services Agency, and
   (2) the Meteorological Office
   for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 557 and 483] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

13 Development of Rural Wales.—(1) Accounts of the Development Board for Rural Wales, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 642] [Clerk of the House]; and
   (2) Report and Accounts of the Development Board for Rural Wales for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

14 Development of Tourism.—Accounts of the Welsh Tourist Board for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 643] [Clerk of the House].

15 Education.—Accounts of—
   (1) the National Curriculum Council for the period 1st April 1993 to 1st January 1994,
   (2) the School Curriculum and Assessment Authority for the period 1st October 1993 to 31st March 1994, and
   (3) the School Examination and Assessment Council for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 646, 648 and 649] [Clerk of the House].
16 Environment Executive Agencies,—Financial Statements for the Building Research Establishment for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 582] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

17 European Communities,—Additional Protocol, done at Brussels on 21st December 1993, to the Interim Agreement on trade and trade related matters between the European Economic Community and the European Coal and Steel Community, of the one part and the Republic of Bulgaria, of the other part, and to the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Bulgaria of the other part [by Command] [Cm. 2611] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

18 Explosives,—Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives for Northern Ireland for 1993 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 554] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

19 Foreign Office Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Natural Resources Agency for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 576] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

20 Further and Higher Education,—Accounts of the Further Education Funding Council for England for the period 6th May 1992 to 31st March 1994, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 645] [Clerk of the House].


22 Home Office Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Forensic Science Service for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 517] [Mr Secretary Howard].

23 Housing,—Report and Accounts of—
   (1) Housing for Wales for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood]; and
   (2) the Liverpool Housing Action Trust for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

24 Industrial Development,—Report by the Secretaries of State for Trade and Industry, Scotland and Wales, presented pursuant to the Industrial Development Act 1982 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 631] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

25 Inland Revenue Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Valuation Office for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 539] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

26 Local Government,—Accounts of the South Bank Centre for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 502] [Mr Secretary Dorrell].

27 Local Government Finance,—Report and Accounts of the Audit Commission for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


29 National Audit,—Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Ministry of Defence: Equipment and spares held by contractors [by Act]; to be printed [No. 636] [Clerk of the House].

30 National Health Service (Scotland),—Summarised Accounts of the Health Boards, the Common Services Agency, NHS Trust, the State Hospital Management Committee, State Hospital Carstairs, the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland and the Health Education Board for Scotland for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 647] [Clerk of the House].


32 Radiological Protection,—Accounts of the National Radiological Protection Board for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 650] [Clerk of the House].
33 Social Security, — Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94, on the Pension Law Review Committee (the Goode Report) [by Command] [Cm. 2630] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

34 Social Security Executive Agencies, — Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) the Benefits Agency, and
   (2) the Information Technology Services Agency
for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act];
to be printed [Nos. 474 and 524] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

35 Trade and Industry Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the National Physical Laboratory for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 586] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

36 Treasury Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the Central Statistical Office for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 521] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

37 Treaty Series (No. 32, 1994), — Notes exchanged at Washington on 6th January 1994 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America amending the Agreement concerning the investigation of drug trafficking offences and seizure and forfeiture of proceeds and instrumentalities of drug trafficking, signed at London on 9th February 1988 [by Command] [Cm. 2613] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

38 Treaty Series (No. 33, 1994), — Agreement, done at London on 9th February 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Armenia on co-operation in the fields of education, science and culture [by Command] [Cm. 2610] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

39 United States (No. 5, 1994), — Treaty, done at Washington on 6th January 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America on mutual legal assistance in criminal matters with exchange of notes [by Command] [Cm. 2612] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

40 Welsh Development Agency, — (1) Accounts of the Welsh Development Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 644] [Clerk of the House]; and
   (2) Report and Accounts of the Welsh Development Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Standing Orders Committee,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, that it has nominated Mr Andrew F. Bennett to serve on the Standing Orders Committee.

2 Standing Committee A, —Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it has nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr Peter Ainsworth, Mr Michael Bates, Mr Roger Berry, Mr Paul Boateng, Mr Michael Brown, Judith Church, Mr Tim Devlin, Mr David Lidington, Mr Peter Luff, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr David Rendel, Mr Geoffrey Robinson, Mr Brian Sedgemore, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Stephen Timms and Mr John Whittingdale.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture, — Second Special Report from the Agriculture Committee [Government Response to the Second Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94 (The UK Poultry Industry)]; to be printed [No. 641] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 National Heritage, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 20th July; to be printed [No. 653-i] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

3 Science and Technology, — Second Report from the Science and Technology Committee [The Forward Look of Government-funded Science, Engineering and Technology 1994], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 422] [Sir Giles Shaw].
4 Trade and Industry.—(1) Fourth Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Trade with Southern Africa]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 220-I]; and
   (2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee
   [Mr Richard Caborn].
5 Transport.—Fifth Report from the Transport Committee [Charging for the use of Motorways], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 376] [Mr Paul Channon].

MEMORANDA

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1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee A.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed Sir James Kilfedder Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords].

THE SPEAKER’S CERTIFICATE

The Speaker certified that the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.

[No. 140.]


The House met at half-past Nine o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from
   (1) Colin and Margaret Gorton for a change in the law regarding causing death by driving,
   (2) supporters of the Campaign to Ban Hunting for legislation to ban hunting, and
   (3) residents of Eckington and district, Derbyshire, against VAT on standing charges on fuel bills
   were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

4 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Kirklees and Calderdale for repeal of the Child Support Act 1991 was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

5 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr David Liddington);

6 Royal Assent,—The Deputy Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses and to the following Measures passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919:
   Appropriation Act 1994
   Land Drainage Act 1994
   Trade Marks Act 1994
Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1994
Merchant Shipping (Salvage and Pollution) Act 1994
Police and Magistrates' Courts Act 1994
Education Act 1994
Firearms (Amendment) Act 1994
Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Act 1994
Croydon Tramlink Act 1994
London Local Authorities Act 1994
London Docklands Development Corporation Act 1994
Hill Samuel Bank and United Dominions Trust Act 1994
Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Act 1994
Care of Cathedrals (Supplementary Provisions) Measure 1994
Church of England (Legal Aid) Measure 1994

7 Adjournment,—The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn;
And the Question being put;
Resolved, That this House do now Adjourn.
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 17th October, pursuant to Resolution [yesterday].

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Thursday 21st July 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:


Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


3 Social Security,—Housing Benefit (Supply of Information) and Council Tax Benefit (General) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1925), dated 18th July 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

4 Agriculture,—Report on Agriculture in Scotland for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2607] [Mr Secretary Lang].

5 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
(1) Asbestos goods
(2) Basic electrical equipment
(3) Electric lamps and other electric lighting equipment, and
(4) Insulated wires and cables
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

6 Defence Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Hydrographic Office for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 482] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

7 Development of Tourism,—Report and Accounts of the English Tourist Board for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Dorrell].
8 Environment, — Financial Accounts of the U.K. Ecolabelling Board for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

9 Foreign Office Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the Wilton Park Executive Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 585] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

10 Home Office Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the United Kingdom Passport Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 623] [Mr Secretary Howard].

11 Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance, — Account of the Legal Aid Fund (Northern Ireland) for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 659] [Clerk of the House].

12 Local Government, Planning and Land, — Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) the Bristol Development Corporation for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer];
   (2) the Cardiff Bay Development Corporation for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood]; and
   (3) the Land Authority for Wales [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].


14 National Audit, — Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General on—
   (1) Administration of the Crown Court,
   (2) Ministry of Defence: Management of Telephones,
   (3) New Management Strategy in the Ministry of Defence, and
   (4) Value for Money at Grant-Maintained Schools—A Review of Performance [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 639, 637, 638 and 640] [Clerk of the House].

15 National Health Service, — (1) Accounts of the Public Health Laboratory Service Board for 1992-93, and
   (2) Summarised Accounts of the Health Authorities, Family Health Services Authorities and NHS Trusts in England and Wales, Accounts of the Dental Practice Board and of special Health Authorities providing central services in England and Wales, summarised Accounts of Trust Funds held by the Health Authorities and Special Trustees in England and Wales for 1992-93, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 657 and 658] [Clerk of the House].

16 National Heritage (Scotland), — Report of the National Museums of Scotland for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

17 Social Security Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the Contributions Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 558] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

18 Trade and Industry Executive Agencies, — Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) the Laboratory of the Government Chemist, and
   (2) the National Weights and Measures Laboratory for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 600 and 487] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

19 Transport Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 583] [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

Agriculture, — Fourth Report from the Agriculture Committee [Potential Conflict of Interest concerning the Chairman of the Intervention Board] to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 654] [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Death of a Member.—The Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Dr John Graham Blackburn, Member for Dudley West, and I am sure that Members on all sides of the House will join me in mourning the loss of a colleague and in extending our sympathy to the honourable Member's family and friends.

2 Private Bills (Petition for Additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with).—The Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for Additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz:

Sheffield Assay Office Bill.

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

3 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

4 Selection.—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

7 Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time on Thursday the Federation of Street Traders Union (London Local Authorities Act 1990) (Amendment) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

8 Defence.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1994 contained in Cm. 2550—(Mr Secretary Rifkind);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

9 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Dr Liam Fox.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 137 (Presentation of Command Papers):

1 Armed Forces Pay, — Supplement to the Twenty-third Report of the Review Body on Armed Forces Pay, on service medical and dental officers [Cm. 2586] [The Prime Minister].


3 Colombia (No. 1, 1994), — Agreement done at London on 9th March 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Colombia for the promotion and protection of investments [Cm. 2643] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

4 Customs and Excise, — Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs and Excise for 1993-94 [Cm. 2651] [Mr David Heathcoat-Amory].

5 Education (Northern Ireland), — Statements and Summary of the Education and Library Boards' Accounts for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [Cm. 2603] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

6 European Communities, — (1) Observations by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the Tenth Report from the House of Lords Select Committee on the European Communities, Session 1993-94, on the implications for agriculture of the Europe Agreements [Cm. 2666] [Mr William Waldegrave]; and

(2) Paper, entitled Developments in the European Union January-June 1994 [Cm. 2675] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 European Communities (No. 9, 1994), — Additional Protocol done at Brussels on 21st December 1993, to the Interim Agreement on Trade and Trade Related Matters between the European Economic Community and the European Coal and Steel Community, of the one part, and Romania, of the other part, and to the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Romania, of the other part [Cm. 2616] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 European Communities (No. 10, 1994), — Partnership and Co-operation Agreement done at Luxembourg on 14th June 1994, between the European Communities and Member States, and Ukraine with Protocol on mutual assistance between administrative authorities on custom matters including exchange of letters and declarations [Cm. 2667] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 Fire Services, — Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Fire Services for Scotland for 1993 [Cm. 2656] [Mr Secretary Lang].

10 Foreign Affairs, — Observations by the Government on the Third Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee, Session 1993-94, on public expenditure: the Pergau hydro-electric project, Malaysia, the aid and trade provision and related matters [Cm. 2672] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 Forestry, — Paper, entitled Our Forests — The Way Ahead: Enterprise, Environment and Access [Cm. 2644] [Mr Secretary Lang].

12 Germany (No. 1, 1994), — Agreement done at Bonn on 18th March 1993, between the Federal Republic of Germany, Canada and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the termination of the Agreement of 3rd August 1959 concerning the conduct of manoeuvres and other training exercises in the Solltau-Luneburg area as amended by the Agreement of 12th May 1970 [Cm. 2633] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

13 Health, — Government Response to the Second Report from the Health Committee, Session 1993-94, on priority setting in the NHS: the NHS drugs budget [Cm. 2683] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

14 Immigration, — (1) Control of Immigration Statistics for the United Kingdom for 1993, and

(2) Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules [Cm. 2637 and 2663] [Mr Secretary Howard].
15 India (No. 1, 1994).—Agreement done at London on 14th March 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and the Government of the Republic of India for the promotion and protection of investments [Cm. 2642] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

16 Industrial Development.—Accounts of the Industrial Development Board for Northern Ireland for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [Cm. 2628] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

17 Inland Revenue.—Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Inland Revenue for 1993–94 [Cm. 2665] [Sir George Young].

18 Isle of Man.—Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom and the Isle of Man amending the Agreement between those Governments on Customs and Excise and associated matters dated 15th October 1979 [Cm. 2654] [Mr Secretary Howard].

19 Law Commission.—Reports of—
(1) the Law Commission on structured settlements and interim and provisional damages, [Cm. 2646] [Mr John M. Taylor]; and
(2) the Scottish Law Commission on confiscation and forfeiture (volumes 1 and 2) [Cm. 2622] [Mr Secretary Lang].

20 Miscellaneous (No. 34, 1994).—Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Foreign Compensation Commission for 1993–94 [Cm. 2615] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

21 Miscellaneous (No. 35, 1994).—Protocol No. 11 done at Strasbourg on 11th May 1994, to the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, restructuring the control machinery established thereby [Cm. 2634] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

22 Miscellaneous (No. 36, 1994).—Protocol of 1992 done at London on 27th November 1992, to amend the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage, 1969 [Cm. 2657] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

23 Miscellaneous (No. 37, 1994).—Protocol of 1992 done at London on 27th November 1992, to amend the International Convention on the establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971 [Cm. 2658] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

24 Miscellaneous (No. 38, 1994).—International Convention done at London on 30th November 1990, on oil pollution preparedness, response and co-operation [Cm. 2671] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

25 Monopolies and Mergers.—Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply of films for exhibition in cinemas in the UK [Cm. 2673] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

26 National Health Service.—Department of Health Minute, dated 5th October 1994, concerning a contingent liability consequent upon the redundancy costs for staff over the age of fifty on the transfer of ownership of Norwich Systems Accounting [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

27 Northern Ireland.—Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of Northern Ireland for 1993–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [Cm. 2639] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

28 Police.—(1) Account of the Metropolitan Police Fund for 1992–93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [Cm. 2640]
(2) Metropolitan Police Fund Estimates for 1994–95 [Cm. 2641], and
(3) Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for 1993–94 [Mr Secretary Howard].

29 Prisons.—Statistics of offences against prison discipline and punishments in England and Wales for 1993 [Cm. 2664] [Mr Secretary Howard].

30 Prisons (Scotland).—Report of Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Prisons for Scotland for 1993–94 [Cm. 2648] [Mr Secretary Lang].

31 Science and Technology.—Government Responses to the—
(1) First Report from the Science and Technology Committee, Session 1993–94, on the routes through which the science base is translated into innovative and competitive technology, and
(2) Second Report from the House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology, Session 1993–94, on priorities for the science base [Cm. 2659 and 2636] [Mr. David Hunt].
32 Treaty Series (No. 34, 1994),—Agreement done at Tashkent on 15th October 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan on co-operation in the fields of education, science and culture [Cm. 2619] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

33 Treaty Series (No. 35, 1994),—Agreement done at London on 4th October 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Peru for the promotion and protection of investments [Cm. 2631] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

34 Treaty Series (No. 37, 1994),—Notes exchanged at San Jose on 18th November 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica concerning certain commercial debts (the United Kingdom/Costa Rica Debt Agreement No. 5 (1993)) [Cm. 2632] [Mr Secretary Hurd].


36 Treaty Series (No. 39, 1994),—Agreement done at Wellington on 14th April 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of New Zealand concerning co-production of films [Cm. 2638] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

37 Treaty Series (No. 40, 1994),—Amendment to the Regulations under Patent Co-operation Treaty done at Washington on 19th June 1970 adopted by the Assembly of the International Patent Co-operation Union (PCT Union) on 29th September 1993 [Cm. 2647] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

38 Treaty Series (No. 41, 1994),—Europe Agreement done at Brussels on 16th December 1991, establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Poland, of the other part including exchanges of letters with declarations and final act [Cm. 2649] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

39 Treaty Series (No. 42, 1994),—Agreement done at London on 30th March 1994, on co-operation in the field of tourism between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Albania [Cm. 2652] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

40 Treaty Series (No. 43, 1994),—Europe Agreement done at Brussels on 16th December 1991, establishing an Association between the European Communities and Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part including exchanges of letters with declarations and final act [Cm. 2650] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

41 Treaty Series (No. 44, 1994),—Agreement done at London on 1st March 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Belarus on economic co-operation [Cm. 2653] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

42 Treaty Series (No. 45, 1994),—Agreement done at London on 15th September 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to supplement and facilitate the operation of the Convention of the Council of Europe on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime, concluded at Strasbourg on 8th November 1990 [Cm. 2655] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

43 Treaty Series (No. 46, 1994),—Agreement done at Panama City on 1st March 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Panama concerning mutual legal assistance relating to drug trafficking [Cm. 2660] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

44 Treaty Series (No. 47, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Canberra on 24th March 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Australia regarding the agreement between Australia and the Republic of Nauru for the settlement of the case in the International Court of Justice concerning certain phosphate lands and Nauru signed at Nauru on 10th August 1993 (the Settlement Agreement) [Cm. 2661] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
45 Treaty Series (No. 48, 1994), Agreement done at Rome on 9th February 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Albania on international road transport [Cm. 2662] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

46 Treaty Series (No. 52, 1994), Notes exchanged at Berne on 30th November and 21st December 1993, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Swiss Federal Council further amending the Agreement for air services between and beyond the respective territories, done at London on 5th April 1950 [Cm. 2682] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

47 Welsh Affairs, Government Response to the First Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1993–94, on Forestry and Woodlands [Cm. 2645] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

26th July 1994


2nd August 1994


Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

22nd July 1994


25th July 1994

51 Road Traffic, Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1519), dated 26th May 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

52 Police, Police (Promotion) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1953), dated 20th July 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

26th July 1994


27th July 1994


59 Sea Fisheries, Loch Ewe, West Ross, Scallop Fishery Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1946), dated 14th July 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

28th July 1994


62 European Communities,—European Communities (Designation) (No. 3) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1887), dated 19th July 1994 [Mr Tony Newton].


64 Magistrates' Courts and Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland),—Backing of Warrants (Republic of Ireland) (Rule of Speciality) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1952), dated 20th July 1994 [Mr Secretary Howard].


1st August 1994

70 Education,—(1) Education (Bursaries for Teacher Training) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2016),


(3) Education (Norwich School of Art and Design Further Education Corporation) (Transfer to the Higher Education Sector) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2017), and


(3) Friendly Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1982), and


2nd August 1994

73 Agriculture,—(1) Environmentally Sensitive Areas Designation (Radnor) (Welsh Language Provisions) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1989), and


3rd August 1994

(2) Education (Grants) (Music and Ballet Schools) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2036), dated 26th July 1994
[Mrs Secretary Shephard].

4th August 1994

77 Police,—(1) Royal Ulster Constabulary ( Discipline and Disciplinary Appeals) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.R.(N.I.), 1994, No. 291), and
(2) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Part-time) (Discipline and Disciplinary Appeals) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.R.(N.I.), 1994, No. 292),
dated 26th July 1994 [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

5th August 1994

78 Merchant Shipping,—(1) Merchant Shipping (Accident Reporting and Investigation) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2013), and
(2) Merchant Shipping (Safety Officials and Reporting of Accident and Dangerous Occurrences) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2014),
dated 28th July 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

79 Pensions,—Personal Injuries (Civilians) Amendment (No. 2) Scheme 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2021), dated 29th July 1994 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

(2) Police Authorities (Selection Panel) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2023), and
(3) Police (Number of Members of Police Authorities) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2024),
dated 1st August 1994 [Mr Secretary Howard].

8th August 1994

81 Education,—(1) Education (Exclusions from Schools) (Prescribed Periods) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2093), and
(2) Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2092),
dated 4th August 1994 [Mrs Secretary Shephard].

9th August 1994

82 Education,—(1) Education (Grant) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2102),
dated 5th August 1994
(2) Education (Grant-maintained Special Schools) (Initial Governing Instruments) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2104), dated 6th August 1994, and
[Mrs Secretary Shephard].


84 Health and Safety,—Supply of Machinery (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2063), dated 26th July 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

85 Public Health,—Gipsy Encampments (Rushmoor and Hart) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2026), dated 1st August 1994 [Mr Secretary Gummer].

10th August 1994

86 Education,—(1) Education (Grant-maintained Special Schools) (Finance) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2111), and
(2) Education (National Curriculum) (Exceptions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2112),
dated 9th August 1994 [Mrs Secretary Shephard].

87 Police,—(1) Police Cadets (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2096),
and
(2) Police (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2095),
dated 3rd August 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].
88 Road Traffic,—Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 1911), dated 15th July 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

89 Transport,—Railway Heritage Scheme Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2032), dated 1st August 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

90 Education,—(1) Education (Grant-maintained Schools) (Initial Governing Instruments) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2094), dated 4th August 1994, and
   [Mrs Secretary Shephard].

91 Highways,—Dartford-Thurrock Crossing Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2031), dated 1st August 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

   (2) Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2083),
   (3) Merchant Shipping (IBC Code) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2082), and
   (4) Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2085),
   dated 4th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].


95 Housing (Scotland),—Right to Purchase (Prescribed Persons) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2097), dated 4th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].


98 Education,—Education (Publication of Notices) (Special Schools) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2167), dated 17th August 1994 [Mrs Secretary Shephard].


102 Road Traffic,—M4 Motorway (Heathrow Airport Spur) (Speed Limit) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2129), dated 9th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].
(2) Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2137), and
(3) Income-related Benefits Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 5) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2139),
dated 12th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

22nd August 1994


23rd August 1994


24th August 1994

107 Education,—Education (Inner London Education Authority) (Property Transfer) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2163), dated 17th August 1994 [Mrs Secretary Shephard].

108 Family Law,—(1) Children (Allocation of Proceedings) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2164), and
(2) Family Proceedings (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2165),
dated 11th August 1994 [Mr John M. Taylor].


111 Police,—Police (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2195), dated 23rd August 1994 [Mr Secretary Howard].

25th August 1994


26th August 1994

114 Education,—Education (National Curriculum) (Exceptions) (Wales) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2206), dated 22nd August 1994 [Mr Secretary Redwood].


30th August 1994

116 Companies,—Companies (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2217),
dated 23rd August 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

117 Police,—(1) Police (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2231),
dated 26th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang];
(2) Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 1994 (S.R.(N.I.), 1994, No. 331) dated 26th August 1994 [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew]; and
(3) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Full-Time) (Appointment) and Conditions of Service) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 1994 (S.R.(N.I.), 1994, No. 332), dated 26th August 1994 [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

118 Road Traffic,—(1) Motor Vehicles (Type Approval for Goods Vehicles) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2191),
(2) Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2190), and
(3) Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2192),
dated 20th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

119 Sea Fisheries,—Brancaster Staithe Fishery (Variation) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2230),
dated 12th August 1994 [Mr William Waldegrave].

31st August 1994

120 Education,—Education (Grant-maintained Special Schools) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 2247), dated 26th August 1994 [Mrs Secretary Shephard].

121 Local Government,—Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Exemption) (Tower
Hamlets London Borough Council) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2196), dated 22nd
August 1994 [Mr Secretary Gummer].

1st September 1994

122 Environmental Protection,—Marketing of Gas Oil (Sulphur Content) Regulations 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 2249), dated 30th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Gummer].

2nd September 1994

123 Legal Aid and Advice,—Legal Aid in Criminal and Care Proceedings (Costs) (Amendment)
Taylor].

5th September 1994

2287), dated 31st August 1994, and
[Mr William Waldegrave].

125 Education,—(1) Education (Government of Groups of Grant-maintained Schools)
Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2281), dated 1st September 1994 [Mrs Secretary
Shephard]; and
(2) Education (School Performance Information) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 1994
(S.I., 1994, No. 2254), dated 26th August 1994 [Mr Secretary Redwood].

(S.I., 1994, No. 2239), dated 23rd August 1994 [Mr Secretary Dorrell].

6th September 1994

127 Income Tax,—Income Tax (Authorised Unit Trusts) (Interest Distributions) Regulations
1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2318), dated 5th September [Sir George Young].

128 National Health Service,—(1) National Health Service (Determination of Districts) (No. 3)
Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2289), and
(2) National Health Service (District Health Authorities) (No. 3) Order 1994 (S.I.,
1994, No. 2288),
dated 5th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

7th September 1994

129 Sea Fisheries,—Thames Estuary Cockle Fishery Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2329), dated 5th
September 1994 [Mr William Waldegrave].

130 Telecommunications,—Telecommunications (Leased Lines) (Amendment) Regulations 1994
(S.I., 1994, No. 2251), dated 31st August [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

131 Telegraphs,—Wireless Telegraphy (Short Range Devices) (Exemption) (Amendment)
Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2250), dated 31st August 1994 [Mr Secretary
Heseltine].

8th September 1994

132 Agriculture,—Countryside Access Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2349), dated 5th
September 1994 [Mr William Waldegrave].

133 Consumer Protection,—(1) General Product Safety Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2328),
and
dated 5th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

134 Fees and Charges,—European Economic Interest Grouping (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I. 1994, No. 2327), dated 6th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

135 National Health Service,—(1) Pinderfields Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2258),
(2) Pontefract Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2255),
(3) Shropshire's Community Health Service National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2257), and
(4) Wakefield and Pontefract Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2256),
dated 1st September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

136 Public Health,—Motor Fuel (Composition and Content) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2295), dated 2nd September 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

9th September 1994


138 Civil Aviation,—Civil Aviation (Canadian Navigation Services) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2325), dated 6th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

139 Education,—Education (School Information) (Wales) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2330), dated 7th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Redwood].

140 Education (Scotland),—Queen Margaret College, Edinburgh (Scotland) Order of Council 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2371), dated 9th September 1994 [Mr Tony Newton].

141 Police,—Police (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2331), dated 6th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Howard].

142 Road Traffic,—Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2280), dated 1st September 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

143 Social Security,—Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2299), dated 5th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Lilley].


12th September 1994


147 National Assistance Services,—National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2386), dated 9th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

148 National Health Service,—National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services and Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2402), dated 12th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


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[Mr Secretary Gummer].

152 Medicines,—(1) Medicines (Pharmacy and General Sale-Exemption) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2409), dated 7th September 1994, and


[Mrs Secretary Bottomley].


14th September 1994

154 National Health Service,—(1) Allington National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2335), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(2) Bexley Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2336), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(3) Bridgend and District National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2412), dated 13th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Redwood];

(4) Ealing Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2340), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(5) East Suffolk Local Health Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2338), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(6) Ipswich Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2339), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(7) Mid Anglia Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2341), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(8) North Staffordshire Hospital Centre National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2337), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(9) Nottingham City Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2334), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(10) Nottingham Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2332), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley];

(11) Nottingham Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2333), dated 7th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley]; and


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155 National Health Service,—(1) Basildon and Thurrock General Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2363),

(2) Calderdale Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2366),

(3) Cornwall Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) (No. 3) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2368),

(4) Queen Mary's Sidcup National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2369),

(5) Redbridge Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2357),

(6) Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic and District Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2364),
(7) Rotherham General Hospital's National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2365),
(8) Rotherham Priority Health Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2360),
(9) Royal Shrewsbury Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2358),
(10) South Warwickshire General Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2362),
(11) Thameside Community Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2367),
(12) West Cumbria Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2361),
(13) West Suffolk Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2359), and
(14) Worthing Priority Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2359),
dated 8th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

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157 Education, — Education (Grants for Education Support and Training) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2446), dated 14th September [Mrs Secretary Shephard].


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161 Consumer Credit, — Consumer Credit (Exempt Agreements) (Amendment) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2420), dated 13th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

20th September 1994

162 Road Traffic, — M1 Motorway (Junction 1, Barnet) (Speed Limit) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2461), dated 19th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

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164 Channel Tunnel, — Channel Tunnel (Shop and Liquor Licensing Hours Requirements) (Disapplication) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2478), dated 21st September 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].


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[Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

[Mr Secretary Heseltine].


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171 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Gas Carriers) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2464), dated 19th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

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(2) Building Societies (Aggregation) (Amendment) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2458), dated 28th September 1994, and
[Mr Anthony Nelson].

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176 Trade Marks,—(1) Trade Marks and Service Marks (Amendment) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2549), and
(2) Trade Marks and Service Marks (Forms) (Amendment) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2551),
dated 29th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

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(2) Coal Industry (Retained Copyhold Interests) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2562),
(3) Coal Mining Subsidence (Arbitration Schemes) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2566),
(4) Coal Mining Subsidence (Blight and Compensation for Inconvenience During Works) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2564),
(5) Coal Mining Subsidence (Provision of Information) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2565), and
(6) Coal Mining Subsidence (Subsidence Adviser) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2563),
dated 3rd October 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].


181 National Health Service,—Aintree Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2521), dated 27th September 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

182 River (Scotland),—Salmon (Fish Passes and Screen) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2524), dated 23rd September 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

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183 Coal Industry,—(1) British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme (Modification) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2576), and
(2) Mineworker’s Pension Scheme (Modification) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2577),
dated 4th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

184 Social Security,—Social Security (Severe Disablement Allowance and Invalid Care Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2556), dated 3rd October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

185 Trade Marks,—(1) Trade Marks and Service Marks (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2581),
(2) Trade Marks and Service Marks (Forms) (Revocation) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2582),
(3) Trade Marks (Fees) Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2584), and
(4) Trade Marks Rules 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2583),
dated 5th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].


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187 Agriculture,—(1) Aberdeen and District Milk Marketing Board (Residual Functions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2589),
(2) North of Scotland Milk Marketing Board (Residual Functions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2590), and
(3) Scottish Milk Marketing Board (Residual Functions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2591),
dated 5th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].


189 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2587),
dated 4th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

190 Roads and Bridges (Scotland),—Roads (Traffic Calming) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2488), dated 20th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

191 Sea Fisheries,—Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing for Cockles) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2613), dated 6th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].


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194 Town and Country Planning (Scotland).—(1) Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2585), and
(2) Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2386), dated 5th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].


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196 National Health Service.—(1) National Health Service (General Medical Services) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2620), and
(2) National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2619), dated 10th October 1994 [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

197 National Health Service (Scotland).—National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2624), dated 11th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].


199 Social Security.—Social Fund Cold Weather Payments (General) Amendment Regulations (S.I., 1994, No. 2593), dated 6th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

200 Trade Marks.—Trade Marks (Customs) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2625), dated 11th October 1994 [Mr David Heathcoat-Amory].

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201 Food.—(1) Bovine Offal (Prohibition) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2628), dated 10th October 1994 [Mr William Waldegrave]; and
(2) Bovine Offal (Prohibition) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2544), dated 27th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].


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203 Arms and Ammunition.—Firearms (Period of Certificate) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2614), and
(2) Firearms (Variations of Fees) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2615), dated 6th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Howard].

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204 Arms and Ammunition.—Firearms (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2652), dated 6th October 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

205 Seeds.—Seed Potatoes (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2592), dated 30th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

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210 Public Health,—Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Oil and Chemical Pollution of Fish) (No. 2) Order 1993 (Partial Revocation No. 3) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2555), dated 30th September 1994 [Mr Secretary Lang].

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Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 17th October 1994:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

212 Education (Scotland),—Dumfries and Galloway College of Technology (Change of Name) (Scotland) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2618), dated 3rd October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

213 Telecommunications,—(1) Public Telecommunication System Designation (Comment Cablevision Wearside Partnership) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2654), and
(2) Public Telecommunication System Designation (Racal Network Services Limited) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2655),
dated 10th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

Other Papers:

214 Agricultural Training Board,—Report and Accounts of the Agricultural Training Board for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr William Waldegrave].

215 Appropriation Accounts,— Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for 1993-94 for—
(1) Class I—Defence, and
(2) Class III—Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Intervention Board Executive Agency
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 670-I and III] [Sir George Young].

216 Atomic Energy,—Report and Accounts of British Nuclear Fuels for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

217 Census,—(1) Reports of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on—
(i) Children and Young Adults: Great Britain (Volumes 1 and 2),
(ii) Household and Family Composition (10 per cent.): Great Britain,
(iii) Qualified Manpower: Great Britain (Volumes 1 and 2), and
(iv) Workplace and Transport to Work: Great Britain Part I (Volumes 1, 2 and 3), and
(2) Topic Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland for Great Britain on—
(i) Children and Young Adults,
(ii) Household and Family Composition,
(iii) Qualified Manpower, and
(iv) Workplace and Transport to Work
for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

218 Census (Scotland),—Report of the General Register Office Scotland on Workplace and Transport to Work in Scotland for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

219 Census of Production,— Reports on the Census of Production, 1992, on—
(1) Abrasive products,
(2) Agricultural machinery and tractors,
(3) Articles of cork and plaiting materials, brushes and brooms,
(4) Animal feeding stuffs,
(5) Basic industrial chemicals,
(6) Bread, biscuits and flour confectionery,
(7) Brewing and malting,
(8) Bolts, nuts, etc.; springs; non-precision chains; metal treatment,
(9) Clothing, hats and gloves (including fur goods),
(10) Conversion of paper and board,
(11) Drawing, cold rolling and cold forming of steel,
(12) Electrical equipment for industrial use, and batteries and accumulators,
(13) Fish processing,
(14) Footwear,
(15) Grain milling,
(16) Hand tools and finished metal goods,
(17) Hosiery and other knitted goods,
(18) Household textiles and other made-up textiles,
(19) Jute and polypropylene yarns and fabrics,
(20) Leather goods,
(21) Mineral oil processing,
(22) Miscellaneous machinery and mechanical equipment,
(23) Miscellaneous manufacturing industries,
(24) Miscellaneous textiles,
(25) Motor vehicles and their engines,
(26) Musical instruments,
(27) Non-ferrous metals industry,
(28) Ordnance, small arms and ammunition,
(29) Organic oils and fats,
(30) Paints, varnishes and printing ink,
(31) Preparation of milk and milk products,
(32) Printing and publishing,
(33) Processing of fruit and vegetables,
(34) Pulp, paper and board,
(35) Slaughtering of animals and production of meat and by-products,
(36) Soft drinks,
(37) Specialised chemical products mainly for household and office use,
(38) Spinning and weaving of flax, hemp and ramie,
(39) Spirit distilling and compounding,
(40) Starch and miscellaneous foods,
(41) Telecommunication equipment, electrical measuring equipment, electronic capital goods and passive electronic components,
(42) Textile finishing,
(43) Textile machinery,
(44) Toys and sports goods,
(45) Water supply industry,
(46) Wines, cider and perry,
(47) Wooden containers,
(48) Wooden and upholstered furniture and shop and office fittings, and
(49) Woollen and worsted industry
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

220 Defence (Royal Air Force),—Order, amending the regulations concerning the special payment to war widows of the Royal Air Force [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
221 Defence (Territorial Army and Volunteer Reserve),— Order, dated 20th July, amending the Territorial Army Regulations 1978 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

222 Development of Tourism,—Statement of determination of salary on reappointment of members of the Scottish Tourist Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

223 Education,—Accounts of the Curriculum Council for Wales for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 477] [Clerk of the House].

224 Employment Protection,—Reports of—
   (1) the Central Arbitration Committee for 1993,
   (2) the Commissioner for Protection Against Unlawful Industrial Action for 1993-94, and
   (3) the Secretary of State for Employment on Limits on Guarantee payments and limit on a weeks pay; to be printed [No. 664]
   [by Act] [Mr Secretary Portillo].

225 Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland),—Report and Accounts of Highlands and Islands Enterprise for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

226 Environmental Protection,—Revisions, dated 4th October, to the Local Authority Air Pollution Control Fees and Charges (Scotland) Scheme 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

227 Fisheries,—Report and Accounts of the Sea Fish Industry Authority for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr William Waldegrave].

228 Home Affairs,—Government response to the First Report from the Home Affairs Committee Session 1993-94, on computer pornography [by Command] [Cm. 2676] [Mr Secretary Howard].

229 Industrial Training,—Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) the Construction Industry Training Board, and
   (2) the Engineering Construction Industry Training Board for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Portillo].

230 Insurance Companies,—Report of the Department of Trade and Industry on insurance for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].


232 Legal Aid (Scotland),—Report of the Scottish Legal Aid Board for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

233 Local Government,—Report and Accounts of the London Residuary Body for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

234 Miscellaneous Financial Provisions,—(1) Director's Report and Accounts of—
   (i) the Inward Agency for Investment into North West England, and
   (ii) the West Midlands Development Agency Limited
   (2) Reports and Financial Statements of—
   (i) East Midlands Development Company Limited by guarantee, and
   (ii) the Northern Development Company,
   (3) Report, Directors' Report and Financial Statements of the Yorkshire and Humberside Development Association, and
   (4) Reports of—
   (i) the Devon and Cornwall Development Bureau, and
   (ii) the Inward Agency for Investment into North West England for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

235 National Health Service (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Scotland—
   (1) dated 6th October 1994 on borrowing by Central Scotland Healthcare National Health Service Trust,
   (2) dated 3rd October 1994 on borrowing by Fife Healthcare National Health Service Trust, and
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(3) dated 10th August 1994 on borrowing by Moray Health Services National Health Service Trust

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

236 New Towns,—Report and Accounts of the Commission for the New Towns for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

237 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors,—Report of the National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for Scotland for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

238 Opticians,—Financial Report and Accounts for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

239 Pensions,—East African Community (Railways and Harbours Corporations) Public Officers' Widows' and Orphans' Pensions (United Kingdom) (Amendment) Scheme 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

240 Policyholder's Protection,—Statement by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on the liquidation of Bryanston Insurance Company Limited [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

241 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute on the Twenty-eighth to Thirty-seventh and Thirty-ninth to Forty-first Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1993-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2677] [Sir George Young].

242 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Defence on the Petition [1st July] from citizens of the United Kingdom for legislation for posthumous pardons for soldiers executed during the 1914 to 1919 war [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

243 Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland),—Report of the Registrar General Scotland for 1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

244 Reserve Forces,—Statement by the Minister of State for the Armed Forces under section 11 of the Reserve Forces Act 1980 on the call out of

(1) territorial army personnel, and
(2) 10 Parachute Regiment (Volunteers)

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].


246 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communications declaring that the aforementioned Statutory Instruments had come into operation before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instruments came into operation:

Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Oil and Chemical Pollution of Fish) (No. 2) Order 1994 Partial Revocation (No. 3) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2555)


247 Telecommunications,—Licences granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to—

(1) Comment Cablevision Wearside Partnership, and
(2) Racal Network Services Limited

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

248 Trade and Industry Executive Agencies,—Report and Accounts of the Radiocommunications Agency for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 519] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
249 Transport.—(1) Report of the Central Transport Consultative Committee for 1993–94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Mawhinney]; and
   (2) Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 2nd September 1994 on borrowing by British Rail [by Act] [Mr Jonathan Aitken].

250 Transport (Scotland).—Reports and Accounts of—
   (1) Caledonian MacBrayne Limited, and
   (2) David MacBrayne Limited
   for the period from the 1st January 1993 to 31st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

251 Welsh Church,—Scheme made by the County Council of Gwynedd to create the Welsh Church Act Fund under the Welsh Church Act 1914 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Paper withdrawn:

252 Legal Aid and Advice,—Draft Legal Aid Advisory Committee (Dissolution) Order 1994 [laid 20th July].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A, Mr Andrew Mitchell (nominated in respect of the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr Timothy Wood.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Defence,—(1) Eighth Report from the Defence Committee [The Defence Costs Study], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 655];
   (2) Ninth Report from the Defence Committee [Military Training], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 93 (including No. 810 of Session 1992-93)];
   (3) Tenth Report from the Defence Committee [Defence Procurement: Certain Projects and Accounting for Inflation], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 512];
   (4) Fourth Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Replies to the Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Reports from the Defence Committee, Session 1993-94]; to be printed [No. 660]; and
   (5) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 21st July to be printed [No. 655-i]
   [Clerk of the House].

2 Employment,—Memoranda laid before the Employment Committee [Mr Greville Janner].

MEMORANDUM

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Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees) the Speaker appointed Mr James Hill, Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] in place of Sir James Kilfedder.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

4 Deregulation of Trade Unions Bill,—Mr Tony Benn, supported by Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Gerard Sutcliffe, Mr Alan Simpson, Ms Diane Abbott, Mr Bill Etherington and Alice Mahon, presented a Bill to amend, and make provision for the amendment of, statutory provisions and rules of law affecting trade unions, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 28th October and to be printed [Bill 161].

5 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Estonia) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

6 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Guernsey) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

7 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

8 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Jersey) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

9 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

10 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

11 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

12 Inheritance Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances) (Switzerland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

13 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Vietnam) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.
14 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

15 Residential Care Homes,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further regulate ownership, control and standards of private residential care homes; and for connected purposes: And that Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody do prepare and bring it in.

16 Residential Care Homes Bill,—Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody accordingly presented a Bill to further regulate ownership, control and standards of private residential care homes; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 162].

17 Defence,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [yesterday], That this House approves the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1994 contained in Cm. 2550;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'declines to support the policy of the Government as set out in the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1994 and the Defence Costs Study and calls for a full scale defence review; condemns the continuing process of piecemeal cuts which is undermining the morale and operational effectiveness of the armed forces and which, as a result, has failed to prepare the United Kingdom and the United Kingdom defence industry for the challenges of a post-Cold War world, for the emergence of a European defence and security identity, for an enhanced role in aid of United Nations peacekeeping and for the new opportunities for arms control; and deplores the way that defence capabilities and installations are being run down in an unplanned way instead of planning to counter the adverse effects of change on communities and individuals by expanding the provision for re-training and re-housing service personnel and by utilising and creating instruments such as positive regional policies and a defence diversification agency', instead thereof. (Mr Donald Anderson.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Cummings: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 304.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Sydney Chapman: 321.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alan Simpson, Mr Jeremy Corbyn: 32.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House approves the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1994 contained in Cm. 2550.

18 Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise—

(a) any increase attributable to the act in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament under any other enactment, and

(b) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums to be paid into that Fund under any other enactment. (Mr John M. Taylor.)

19 Broadcasting,—Ordered, That Mr Robert G. Hughes be discharged from the Select Committee on Broadcasting and Mr Timothy Kirkhope be added to the Committee. (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)
20 Public Accounts. — Ordered, That Mr Secretary Dorrell be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Sir George Young be added to the Committee. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

21 Public Petitions, — A Public Petition from John Eric Hanley for redress of grievance in respect of collection of community charge arrears was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

22 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.54 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 18th October 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:

1 Legal Aid and Advice, — Draft Legal Aid Advisory Committee (Dissolution) Order 1994 [by Act] [Mr John M. Taylor].

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

2 Local Government, — Local Government (Publication of Manpower Information) (Wales) (Revocation) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2677), dated 17th October 1994 [by Act] [Secretary Redwood].

3 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, — Statute made by the University of Oxford on 17th May 1994, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

4 Courts and Legal Services, — Report of the Lord Chancellor’s Advisory Committee on Legal Education and Conduct for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 665] [Mr John M. Taylor].

5 Foreign Affairs, — Observations by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs on the Second Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee, Session 1993-94, on the expenditure plans of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Overseas Development Administration [Cm. 2685] [Mr Secretary Hurd].


7 Miscellaneous Financial Provisions, — Report and Accounts of the Rural Development Commission for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

8 National Audit, — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the third sale of shares in British Telecommunications plc [by Act]; to be printed [No. 663] [Clerk of the House].

9 National Heritage, — Report and Accounts of the National Heritage Memorial Fund for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Dorrell].

10 Pensions, — Report and Accounts of the London Pensions Fund Authority for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].


(2) Former Yugoslavia (United Nations Sanctions) (Dependent Territories) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2674),

(3) Former Yugoslavia (United Nations Sanctions) (Isle of Man) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2676), and

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A, Mr Michael Bates (nominated in respect of the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords]; and had appointed in substitution Mr Michael Lord.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Third Report from the Employment Committee [The Future of Trade Unions], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 676] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Twenty-sixth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
   (2) Tenth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;
   to be printed [Nos. 19-xxvii and 20-x] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

3 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 18th October; to be printed [No. 675-i] [Mr Paul Channon].

[No. 143.]

Wednesday 19th October 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Standing Orders,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee the following Resolution:
   That, in the case of the Sheffield Assay Office Bill, Petition for Additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: That the parties be permitted to insert their Additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.
   The Resolution was agreed to.

4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

5 Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords],—Mr James Hill reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords], and made an Amendment thereunto.
   Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.
   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 682].

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
   The Lords have agreed to the University of London Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

7 Stray Dogs Bill,—Ordered. That the Stray Dogs Bill be read a second time on Friday.

8 Maximum Wage,—Ordered. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to fix the emoluments of chairpersons, chief executives and senior managers of private limited companies and public bodies so that their combined annual earnings do not exceed twenty times the average take-home pay of their non-managerial employees save if the said employees agree through a ballot of their non-managerial employees or through their union to permit salaries of their chairpersons, chief executives and senior managers to exceed a
20:1 ratio: And that Mr Denis MacShane, Mr Ken Purchase, Margaret Hodge, Mr Barry Sheerman, Mr Peter Hardy, Mr Gerry Sutcliffe, Helen Jackson, Mr Nick Ainger, Ms Angela Eagle, Ms Diane Abbott, Dawn Primarolo and Mr Gerald Bermingham do prepare and bring it in.

9 Maximum Wage Bill,—Mr Denis MacShane accordingly presented a Bill to fix the emoluments of chairpersons, chief executives and senior managers of private limited companies and public bodies so that their combined annual earnings do not exceed twenty times the average take-home pay of their non-managerial employees save if the said employees agree through a ballot of their non-managerial employees or through their union to permit salaries of their chairpersons, chief executives and senior managers to exceed a 20:1 ratio: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 163].

10 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill.

Lords Amendment No. 1.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Secretary Howard);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Simon Burns: 298.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Spellar: 272.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 2 to 5 were disagreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 6 was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 7 and 8 were disagreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 9 was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 10 to 18 were disagreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 21 was disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 22 to 29 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 30.

An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 1, after the word 'caution', to insert the words 'and after being given the opportunity to be legally represented,'. (Mr Alun Michael.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr John Cummings: 264.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bowen Wells, Mr Timothy Wood: 286.

So the Question was negatived.

The Lords Amendment was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 31 to 42 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 43.

An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment in line 3, to leave out from the word 'section 32A(5)(b)' to the end of line 4 and insert the words "the words "in the opinion of the court, has been dealt with in his recorded testimony" shall be omitted and the words "has been dealt with in his recorded testimony unless the judge grants leave, such leave to be granted only where he is of the opinion that an examination in chief is necessary to clarify matters not adequately dealt with in the witness's recorded testimony, or that an examination in chief would be in the best interests of the child" shall be inserted in their place", instead thereof. (Mrs Lin Golding.)

Question, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment, put and negatived.

The Lords Amendment was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 44 to 71 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 72.

An Amendment ((b)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 9, at the end, to insert the words—

'(c) evidence is produced to a court which satisfies that court of the entitlement of the person to occupy the premises other than as a trespasser'.—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Jim Dowd: 250.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Derek Conway: 290.

So the Question was negatived.

The Lords Amendment was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 73 to 78 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 79.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Robert B. Jones);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Michael Bates: 301.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr John Cummings: 262.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Lords Amendments stood adjourned.

11 Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Lords Amendments to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr David Lightbown)—It was agreed to.

12 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 80 and 81 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 82.

Amendments ((a)) and ((b)) were made to the Lords Amendment.

The Lords Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 83 to 121 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendments Nos. 88, 100, 115 and 117 to 120.

Lords Amendment No. 122.

Amendments ((a)) to ((d)) were made to the Lords Amendment.

The Lords Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 123 and 124 were agreed to.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Lords Amendments be now adjourned.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

Lords Amendments to be further considered to-morrow.

13 Broadcasting,—Ordered, That Sir Nicholas Bonsor be discharged from the Select Committee on Broadcasting and Mr Patrick McLoughlin be added to the Committee.—(Mr Derek Conway.)

14 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) residents of Tingewick, Buckinghamshire, for a by-pass, and

(2) residents of York and elsewhere against the Criminal Justice Bill

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

15 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) Aldbourne Methodist Church, and (2) Ossett Methodist Church for economic justice for Third World food producers were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
16 Adjournment, — Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.45 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Wednesday 19th October 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


Other Papers:

2 Appropriation Accounts, — Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Class IV (Trade and Industry and Export Credits Guarantee Department) for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 670-IV] [Sir George Young].

3 Dangerous Drugs, — Paper, entitled Tackling Drugs Together: A Consultation Document on a Strategy for England 1995-98 [by Command] [Cm. 2678] [Mr Tony Newton].

4 Judicature (Northern Ireland), — Statement of Accounts of Funds in Court of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of the County Courts in Northern Ireland for 1992-93, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 679] [Clerk of the House].

5 National Health Service (Scotland), — Report and Accounts of the Scottish Hospital Trust for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 671] [Mr Secretary Lang].

6 National Heritage, — Department of National Heritage Minute, dated 19th October 1994, transferring three properties: the Tate Gallery, Gorst Road and the Barbara Hepworth Museum to the Board of Trustees of the Tate Gallery [by Command] [Mr Secretary Dorrell].

7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, — Fifth Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 687] [Clerk of the House].

8 Police, — Police (Secretary of State’s Objectives) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2678), dated 15th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

9 Public Petitions, — Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on—

   (1) the Petition [22nd June] from residents of and visitors to Ambleside against overdevelopment of the centre of the town, and

   (2) the Petition [7th July] from residents of Elmstead, Essex, for a public inquiry into the proposed development near Grove Farm near Elmstead [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

10 Railways, — Reports of—

   (1) the Office of Passenger Rail Franchising for the period 8th November 1993 to 31st March 1994 [by Act]; and

   (2) the Rail Regulator for the period 1st December 1993 to 31st March 1994 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 662] [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

11 Science and Technology, — Accounts of the Economic and Social Research Council for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 678] [Clerk of the House].

12 Treaty Series (No. 49, 1994), — Second Additional Protocol done at Strasbourg on 17th March 1978, to the European Convention on Extradition, signed at Paris on 13th December 1957 [by Command] [Cm. 2668] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

13 Treaty Series (No. 50, 1994), — Agreement done at London on 30th March 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Albania on co-operation in the fields of education, science and culture [by Command] [Cm. 2669] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
14 Treaty Series (No. 51, 1994).—Agreement done at London on 23rd February 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Azerbaijan Republic on co-operation in the fields of education, science and culture [by Command] [Cm. 2670] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

1 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Estonia) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Vietnam) Order 1994, viz.: Mr David Ashby, Mr John Austin-Walker, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr John Carlisle, Sir Kenneth Carlisle, Ann Coffey, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Stephen Day, Mr Neil Garrard, Mrs Teresa Gorman, Mr Terry Lewis, Sir Patrick McNair-Wilson, Sir Wyn Roberts, Mr Nigel Spearing, Mr Michael Spicer, Mr Robert N. Wareing and Sir George Young.

2 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Guernsey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Jersey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances) (Switzerland) Order 1994, viz.: Mr David Atkinson, Mr Robert Banks, Sir Richard Body, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Jamie Cann, Mr Derek Conway, Ms Angela Eagle, Sir Anthony Grant, Mr Nigel Jones, Mr Tom King, Mr Denis MacShane, Mr Austin Mitchell, Mr David Porter, Mr Terry Rooney, Mr Tim Sainsbury, Mr David Sumberg, Mr Paddy Tipping and Sir George Young.

APPENDIX III

Reports from Select Committees

1 Agriculture,—(1) Fifth Report from the Agriculture Committee [Health Controls on the Importation of Live Animals], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 347];

(2) Third Special Report from the Agriculture Committee [Government Reply to the Third Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94 (MAFF/Intervention Board Departmental Report 1994)]; to be printed [No. 683];

(3) Fourth Special Report from the Agriculture Committee [Government Reply to the Fourth Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94 (Potential Conflict of Interest concerning the Chairman of the Intervention Board)]; to be printed [No. 684]; and

(4) Memoranda laid before the Agriculture Committee [Sir Jerry Wiggin].

2 Defence,—(1) Fifth Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Reply to the Seventh Report from the Defence Committee, Session 1993-94, on Low-Flying]; to be printed [No. 686]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 19th October; to be printed [No. 685-i] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].

3 Environment,—(1) Fourth Report from the Environment Committee [Shopping Centres and their Future], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 359]; and

(2) Memoranda laid before the Environment Committee [Mr Barry Field].

4 European Legislation,—Twenty-sixth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xxvi] [Mr Jimmy Hood].

5 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 19th October; to be printed [No. 579-ii] [Mr David Howell].
Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 19th October; to be printed [No. 504-iii] [Mr James Pawsey].

Public Accounts.—(1) Forty-fourth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [British Army in Germany—Drawdown of Equipment and Stores] together with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee;

(2) Forty-fifth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Export Credits Guarantee Department Appropriation Accounts 1992-93: Irregular Payments to Exporters];

(3) Forty-sixth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Registers of Scotland: Service to the Public];

(4) Forty-seventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The British Film Institute];

(5) Forty-eighth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Management and Sale of Houses in Borders Region]; and

(6) Fourth-ninth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [National Health Service: Hospital Catering in England]; together with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee;

to be printed with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 408, 406, 394, 491, 303 and 427]; and

(7) Memorandum submitted to the Committee of Public Accounts by the Comptroller and Auditor General [Mr Robert Sheldon].

Scottish Affairs.—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 19th October; to be printed [No. 677] [Mr William McKelvey].

Trade and Industry.—(1) Third Special Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Government Observations on the Fourth Report from the Trade and Industry Committee, Session 1993-94, on Trade with Southern Africa]; to be printed [No. 680]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 19th October; to be printed [No. 681-i] [Mr Richard Caborn].

Transport,—Sixth Report from the Transport Committee [Transport-related Air Pollution in London], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 506] [Mr Paul Channon].

**MEMORANDA**

**Wednesday 19th October 1994**

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated

(1) the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Estonia) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Vietnam) Order 1994 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(2) the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

(3) the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Guernsey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Jersey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances) (Switzerland) Order 1994 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Roland Boyes Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Estonia) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Vietnam) Order 1994;
(2) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Guernsey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Jersey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances) (Switzerland) Order 1994; and

(3) Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 5934/94, relating to foodstuffs intended for particular nutritional uses.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:

(1) European Community Documents Nos. 7919/94, relating to a European vessel reporting system, 8128/94, relating to the protection of animals during transport, the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 14th September 1994, relating to fisheries: common fisheries policy control system and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 14th September 1994, relating to fisheries: access to areas and resources to European Standing Committee A; and

(2) European Community Documents Nos. 6398/94, relating to cinemas and films (audio visual policy), 8077/94, relating to action against drugs, 8929/94, relating to the prevention of drug dependence, 9069/94, relating to European social policy, 8782/94, relating to the draft general budget of the European Communities for 1995, and 7854/94, relating to budgetising the European Development Fund to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 144.]

Thursday 20th October 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 City of Westminster Bill [Lords],—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the City of Westminster Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

3 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Lords Amendments to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill.

Lords Amendment No. 125.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Secretary Howard);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Dr Liam Fox: 291.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 264.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 126 to 130 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 131.

An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 3, at the end to insert the words 'or otherwise provide'.—(Mr Alistair Darling.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Cummings: 246.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Simon Burns: 279.

So the Question was negatived.

The Lords Amendment was disagreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 132.

An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 5, after the word 'if', to insert the words 'recklessly or'.—(Mr Simon Hughes.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Ms Liz Lynne: 55.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Michael Bates: 183.

So the Question was negatived.

The Lords Amendment was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 133 to 145 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 146 was agreed to; and a consequential Amendment was made to the Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 147 to 149 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 150.

Amendments ((a)) to ((f)) were made to the Lords Amendment.

The Lords Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 151 was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 152.

An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 21, at the end to insert the words—

'(3A) The Secretary of State shall make regulations to control the use of any apparatus provided under subsection (1) above, and such regulation shall provide for—

(a) restrictions on such apparatus to prevent, where practicable, the surveillance of private residential premises without the consent of the majority of the occupiers of those premises;
(b) the provision for the display of notices to the public of the existence of any system using the apparatus;
(c) the selection, training and supervision of the operators of the apparatus;
(d) arrangements for the storage of, and access to, any recordings made;
(e) arrangements for access to the recordings by the subjects of those recordings;
(f) arrangements for the destruction of the recordings.'.—(Mr Alun Michael.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment:—

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Lords Amendment was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 153 was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 154.

Amendments ((a)) to ((c)) were made to the Lords Amendment.

The Lords Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 155 and 156 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 157 was disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 158 and 159 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 160 was disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 161 and 162 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 163 was disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 164 to 168 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 169 was disagreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 170 to 174 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 175 was disagreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 176 to 187 were agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 188 and 189 were disagreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 190 to 314 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waiving their privileges in respect of Lords Amendments Nos. 289 and 305.
Lords Amendment Nos. 315 and 316 were disagreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 317 to 334 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendment No. 317.
Lords Amendment No. 335 was disagreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 336 to 339 were agreed to.

The Title was accordingly amended, as follows: A Bill to make further provision in relation to criminal justice (including employment in the prison service); to amend or extend the criminal law and powers for preventing crime and enforcing that law; to amend the Video Recordings Act 1984; and for purposes connected with those purposes.

Ordered. That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments Nos. 1, 2 to 5, 7, 8, 10 to 18, 21, 79, 125, 131, 157, 160, 163, 169, 175, 188, 189, 315, 316 and 335;
That Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Derek Conway, Mr John Fraser, Mr David Maclean and Mr Alun Michael be members of the Committee;
That three be the Quorum of the Committee;
That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(Mr David Maclean.)

4 Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill,—Mr David Maclean reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, That it had drawn up the following Reasons accordingly, which it had directed him to report to the House:

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords, in page 2, lines 16 and 18, page 3, lines 18, 26, 31, 33, 42 and 47, page 4, lines 6, 13 and 14, page 5, lines 17 and 36, page 123, line 18 and page 124, line 38 for the following Reason:—

Because the Commons consider that a court should always order an offender subject to a secure training order to be detained in a secure training centre.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords, in page 2, lines 22 and 24, page 3, line 9 and page 7, line 15, for the following Reason:—

Because the Commons consider that a court should always order an offender subject to a secure training order to be detained in a secure training centre for the whole period of his detention.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords, in page 60, line 24, page 121, lines 12, 23 and 25, page 175, line 45, column 3 and page 177, line 49, for the following Reason:—

Because the Commons do not consider it appropriate for the repeal of the provisions to which those Amendments made by the Lords relate to come into force later than the date on which the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill is passed or for those repeals to come into force piecemeal.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords, before Clause 134, and in page 121, line 36, for the following Reason:—

Because the Amendments involve charges on public funds and the Commons do not offer any further Reason trusting that this Reason may be deemed sufficient.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords, after Clause 136 and in page 121, line 24, for the following Reason:—

Because the Commons consider it appropriate to make Amendments to Amendment No. 150 made by the Lords in lieu of those Amendments.

The Reasons were agreed to.

Message to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons with the Bill and Amendments.
5 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Dr Liam Fox.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes to Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.36 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Thursday 20th October 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:**


2. Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (Competitions and Trials) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2653), dated 5th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

**Other Papers:**

3. Home Affairs,—Government response to the Third Report from the Home Affairs Committee, Session 1993-94, on racial attacks and harassment [by Command] [Cm. 2684] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4. Indemnities,—Indemnities given to owners of objects on loan to the Victoria and Albert Museum, the National Portrait Gallery and the National Museums and Galleries on Merseyside [by Command] [Mr Secretary Dorrell].

5. Local Government Finance,—Account of the Scottish Office Environment Department Non-Domestic Rating for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 689] [Clerk of the House].

6. Mental Health (Scotland),—Report of the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].


[No. 145.]

Friday 21st October 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2 National Health Service in London,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House expresses its anxiety at the current state, and future prospect, of the National Health Service in London; considers that claims made by Health Ministers that there are too many hospital beds in the capital and an over allocation of health resources, are not proven; notes that many of London's health authorities and trusts face chronic levels of debt due to Government underfunding of the National Health Service, and this along with the 'internal market' is having a devastating impact on London's health service; notes that accident and emergency units work under increasing crisis conditions; notes that the London Ambulance Service has been reduced to the worst ambulance service in the country; notes that general practitioners in many parts of London receive less than the national average to treat their patients and that they face an increasing workload due to the impact of hospital closures; considers that Outer London's health service is also suffering from the Government's health policies resulting in large debts, large waiting lists and repeated cuts in treatment provision; notes that there are 100,000 on waiting lists for treatment in the capital but that the number of people affected is much higher; and so calls upon the Government to heed the voice of the vast majority of Londoners, and to introduce an immediate moratorium on further bed reductions and hospital closures in the capital, whilst work is urgently undertaken to shift the system toward the health care Londoners need—(Mr Harry Cohen);

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
3 Parliamentary Elections (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

4 Unfitness to Drive on Medical Grounds Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Unfitness to Drive on Medical Grounds Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

5 Data Protection Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Data Protection Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

6 Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

7 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) (Wales) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) (Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

8 Energy Conservation Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the Energy Conservation Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Friday 28th October.

9 Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security Regulations (Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

10 Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

11 Marriage (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

12 Regulation of Cosmetic Surgery Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Regulation of Cosmetic Surgery Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

13 Hereditary Peers (Democratic Rights) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hereditary Peers (Democratic Rights) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

14 Homicide (Defence of Provocation) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Homicide (Defence of Provocation) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

15 Contaminated Land (Remediation) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contaminated Land (Remediation) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

16 Tampons (Safety) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tampons (Safety) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

17 Regulation of Diet Industry Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Regulation of Diet Industry Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.
18 Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 18th February, that the Nursery Education (Assessment of Need) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the debate be resumed on Friday 28th October.

19 Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Freedom to Roam (Access to the Countryside) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

20 Children Act 1989 (Prohibition of Corporal Punishment) Amendment Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Act 1989 (Prohibition of Corporal Punishment) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

21 Treasure Bill [Lords]. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Treasure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

22 Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pardon for Soldiers of the Great War Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

23 Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 25th February, That the Water (Domestic Disconnections) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the debate be resumed on Friday 28th October.

24 Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Conveniences (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

25 Unfair Dismissal (Insolvency of Employer) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Unfair Dismissal (Insolvency of Employer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

26 Control of Car Boot Sales Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Control of Car Boot Sales Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

27 Environmental Claims Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Environmental Claims Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

28 European Communities (Community Law) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the European Communities (Community Law) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

29 Stray Dogs Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stray Dogs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th October.

30 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be further considered on Monday 24th October.

31 Business of the House. — Ordered, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 26th October, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall put the Questions on the Motions in the names of Mr John M. Taylor relating to the draft Legal Aid (Scope) Regulations 1994, Mrs Secretary Bottomley relating to the draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) Regulations 1994 and Mr Secretary Lang relating to the draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 not later than one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such Motion, and the said Motions may be entered upon and proceeded with at any hour, though opposed.—(Mr Derek Conway.)
32 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o’clock and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes past Three o’clock, till Monday 24th October.

[Adjourned at 3.5 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 21st October 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Rating and Valuation.—Valuation for Rating (Plant and Machinery) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2680), dated 16th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

2 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.—Statute made by the Governing Body of King’s College, Cambridge on 30th May 1994, amending the statutes of the College [by Act] [Mr Tony Newton].

Other Papers:

3 Census,—(1) Reports of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys—

   (i) for counties and districts of England—revision to table 4

   (ii) for counties and districts of Wales—revision to table 4, and

   (iii) on regional health authorities of England—revision to table 4

(2) Report of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on Great Britain, Scotland and Wales—revision to table 4, and

(3) Supplement to the report of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the General Register Office Scotland on ethnic group and country of birth (table A) for the 1991 Census [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

4 Census of Production,—Report on the Census of Production, 1992, on soap and toilet preparations [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

5 Commonwealth Development Corporation,—Statement of guarantee given by the Treasury on 19th October 1994 on borrowing by the Commonwealth Development Corporation [by Act] [Sir George Young].

6 Miscellaneous (No. 39, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Bonn on 12th September 1994, between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Governments of the Kingdom of Belgium, Canada, the French Republic, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America concerning the amendment of the Agreement by exchange of notes on 25th September 1990 concerning the Agreement of 19th June 1951 between the parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the status of their forces, the Agreement of 3rd August 1959 to supplement that Agreement with respect to the foreign forces stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany and the Agreement related thereto [by Command] [Cm. 2688] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

7 United States (No. 6, 1994),—Amendment done at Washington on 23rd May 1994, to the Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the United States of America for co-operation in the uses of atomic energy for mutual defense purposes [by Command] [Cm. 2686] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

2 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Dr Liam Fox);

   The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

3 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Michael Bates);

   And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

4 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Michael Bates.)

   And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

   [Adjourned at 10.22 p.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 24th October 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:


2 Social Security,—Social Security (Adjudication) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2686), dated 18th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Other Papers:

3 Development of Tourism,—Report and Accounts of the British Tourist Authority for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Dorrell].

4 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for Health on 18th October 1994 on borrowing by—

   (1) Bath Mental Health Care National Health Service Trust,
   (2) Central Nottinghamshire Healthcare National Health Service Trust, and
   (3) Essex Ambulance Service National Health Service Trust,

   [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

5 National Heritage,—Report and Accounts of English Heritage for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Dorrell].

6 Social Security,—Paper, entitled Jobseeker's Allowance [by Command] [Cm. 2687] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

Tuesday 25th October 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 University of London Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendment to the University of London Bill; and the same was agreed to.

2 River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords],—Ordered. That the Promoters of the River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords] shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid;

That, if the Bill is brought from the Lords in the next Session, the Agent for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Lords in the present Session;

That, as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, that such a declaration has been so deposited, has been laid upon the Table of the House, the Bill shall be read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed);

That all Petitions relating to the Bill presented in the present Session which stand referred to the Committee on the Bill, together with any minutes of evidence taken before the Committee on the Bill, shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the next Session;

That no Petitioners shall be heard before the Committee on the Bill, unless their Petition has been presented within the time limited within the present Session or deposited pursuant to paragraph (b) of Standing Order 126 relating to Private Business;

That, in relation to the Bill, Standing Order 127 relating to Private Business shall have effect as if the words "under Standing Order 126 (Reference to committee of petitions against Bill)" were omitted;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

3 Malvern Hills Bill [Lords],—Ordered. That the Promoters of the Malvern Hills Bill [Lords] shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid;

That, if the Bill is brought from the Lords in the next Session, the Agent for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Lords in the present Session;

That, as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, that such a declaration has been so deposited, has been laid upon the Table of the House, the Bill shall be read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed);

That all Petitions relating to the Bill presented in the present Session which stand referred to the Committee on the Bill, together with any minutes of evidence taken before the Committee on the Bill, shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the next Session;

That no Petitioners shall be heard before the Committee on the Bill, unless their Petition has been presented within the time limited within the present Session or deposited pursuant to paragraph (b) of Standing Order 126 relating to Private Business;

That, in relation to the Bill, Standing Order 127 relating to Private Business shall have effect as if the words "under Standing Order 126 (Reference to committee of petitions against Bill)" were omitted;
That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

4 Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill.—Ordered, That the Promoters of the Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to the date be paid;

That on the fifth day on which the House sits in the next Session the Bill shall be presented to the House;

That there shall be deposited with the Bill a declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the present Session;

That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first and second time (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read) and, having been amended by the Committee in the present Session, shall be ordered to lie upon the Table;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

To be communicated to the Lords and their concurrence desired thereto.

5 City of Westminster Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Promoters of the City of Westminster Bill [Lords] shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office of their intention to suspend further proceedings not later than the day before the close of the present Session and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid;

That, if the Bill is brought from the Lords in the next Session, the Agents for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by them, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Lords in the present Session;

That, as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, that such a declaration has been so deposited, has been laid upon the Table of the House, the Bill shall be read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed) and shall be committed to the Chairman of Ways and Means, who shall make such Amendments thereto as have been made by the Committee in the present Session, and shall report the Bill as amended to the House forthwith, and the Bill, so amended, shall be ordered to lie upon the Table;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

6 Sheffield Assay Office Bill.—Ordered, That the Promoters of the Sheffield Assay Office Bill shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid;

That, on the fifth day on which the House sits in the next Session, the Bill shall be presented to the House;

That there shall be deposited with the Bill a declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the present Session;

That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed);
That, no Petitions against the Bill having been presented within the time limited within the present Session, no Petitioners shall be heard before any committee on the Bill save those who complain of any amendment as proposed in the filled up Bill or of any matter which arises during the progress of the Bill before the committee;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

That these Orders be Standing Orders to the House. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

To be communicated to the Lords and their concurrence desired thereto.

7 Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

8 British Waterways Bill [Lords].—Mr George Mudie reported from the Committee on the British Waterways Bill [Lords], That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

9 Select Committees.—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

10 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed, without Amendment, to the Amendments made by this House to certain of their Amendments to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill; they have agreed, without Amendment, to the consequential Amendment made by this House; and they do not insist on their remaining Amendments to which this House has disagreed.

Private Bill [Lords] (Suspension),—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution in respect of the Bodmin Moor Commons Bill [Lords] and the London Local Authorities (No. 2) Bill [Lords]; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House, viz:

That the promoters of each Bill have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereon in order to proceed with it, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to do so is lodged in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than 12 noon on Wednesday 2nd November next and that all fees due on or before that day have been paid;

That such Bill be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than 3 p.m. on the second sitting day in the next Session with a declaration annexed, signed by the agent, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in this House in the present Session;

That the proceedings on such Bill in the next Session of Parliament be pro forma in regard to every stage through which the Bill has passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged to such stages;

That the Private Business Standing Orders apply to such Bill in the next Session only in regard to any stage through which the Bill has not passed during the present Session;

That in the case of any Bill against which there is any petition outstanding—

(i) any such petition which has been presented (if not withdrawn) stand referred to any select committee on the Bill in the next Session;

(ii) any minutes of evidence taken before a select committee on the Bill during the present Session stand referred to any select committee on the Bill in the next Session;

(iii) no petitioners be heard before any select committee on the Bill in the next Session unless their petition has been presented within the time stipulated for the deposit of petitions in the present Session or deposited pursuant to Private Business Standing Order 109(b);

(iv) Private Business Standing Order 110 have effect as if the words “under Standing Order 109” were omitted.

11 Former Cabinet Ministers and Public Officials (Interests) Bill, —Mr David Winnick presented a Bill to prohibit former Cabinet Ministers, senior civil servants and senior officials of public departments and public bodies from accepting employment from a company which was privatised when they held office or which had a commercial or contractual relationship with a department or body for which or in which they exercised a relevant function: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 164].
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12 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

13 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures (Metrication) (Miscellaneous Goods) (Amendment) Order 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

14 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Units of Measurement Regulations 1994 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr Andrew Mitchell):—It was agreed to.

15 Drug Education.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to deal with drug education:
And that Lady Olga Maitland, Sir Malcolm Thornton, Sir David Mitchell, Mr Neville Trotter, Mr Michael Alison, Mr Michael Shersby, Mr David Hanson, Mr David Amess, Mr Jonathan Evans, Mr David Porter, Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown and Mr Michael Stephen, do prepare and bring it in.

16 Drug Education Bill.—Lady Olga Maitland accordingly presented a Bill to deal with drug education: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 165].

17 Opposition day [19th allotted day].—It being a day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.
National Health Service.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House shares the public alarm at the creeping privatisation of the National Health Service, accompanied as it is by lower accountability to the public; and a diversion of resources into increasing bureaucracy at the expense of patient care—(Margaret Beckett);
An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘notes that since the introduction of the Government’s health reforms the number of patients treated has risen, waiting times have fallen and the quality of care has improved; welcomes independent support for the reforms from sources such as OECD; and calls upon Her Majesty’s Government to continue policies which uphold the values and ethos of the NHS, further reduce administrative duplication and waste and deliver a flexible service able to respond to the changing needs of patients’, instead thereof.(Mrs Secretary Bottomley.)
And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question; The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr John Spellar: 263.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 297.
So the Question was negatived.
And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 292.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Eric Illsley: 259.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.
Resolved, That this House notes that since the introduction of the Government’s health reforms the number of patients treated has risen, waiting times have fallen and the quality of care has improved; welcomes independent support for the reforms from sources such as OECD; and calls upon Her Majesty’s Government to continue policies which uphold the values and ethos of the NHS, further reduce administrative duplication and waste and deliver a flexible service able to respond to the changing needs of patients.

18 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr David Lightbown.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
[Adjourned at 10.53 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Tuesday 25th October 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—(1) Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2740), and

2 Education,—Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (Amendment) (No. 3) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2732), dated 24th October 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Shephard].

Other Papers:

3 Appropriation Accounts, 1993–94,—Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for—
   (1) Classes X and XI—Education and National Heritage, and
   (2) Classes XII and XIII—Health and Office of Population, Censuses and Surveys and Social Security
   for 1993–94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act];
   to be printed [Nos. 670-VIII and 670-IX] [Sir George Young].

4 Environmental Pollution,—Eighteenth Report of the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution, on transport and the environment [by Command] [Cm. 2674] [Mr Secretary Howard].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 25th October; to be printed [No. 692] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Twenty-seventh Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
   (2) Eleventh Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;
   to be printed [Nos. 19-xxviii and 20-xi] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

[No. 148.]
Wednesday 26th October 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

4 European Standing Committee A,—Mrs Angela Browning reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:
   That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 5934/94, and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 22nd June 1994, relating to foodstuffs intended for particular nutritional purposes; and agrees with the Government's intention to support this proposal.
   Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.
5 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Marriage Bill, without Amendment.

6 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill to be considered to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 168].

7 Youth Services Bill,—Mr Tony Lloyd, supported by Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Harry Barnes and Jane Kennedy, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to youth services in the community and participation by youth in community development; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 166].

8 European Community (Democratic Control),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure effective democratic control of the European Community by repeal of the European Parliamentary Elections Acts and by making provision for representatives to the European Parliamentary Assembly to be drawn from the membership of the House of Commons and the House of Lords—(Sir Roger Moate);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, the Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business)—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure effective democratic control of the European Community by repeal of the European Parliamentary Elections Acts and by making provision for representatives to the European Parliamentary Assembly to be drawn from the membership of the House of Commons and the House of Lords: And that Sir Roger Moate do prepare and bring it in.

9 European Community (Democratic Control) Bill,—Sir Roger Moate accordingly presented a Bill to secure effective democratic control of the European Community by repeal of the European Parliamentary Elections Acts and by making provision for representatives to the European Parliamentary Assembly to be drawn from the membership of the House of Commons and the House of Lords: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 167].

10 Sir Clifford Boulton, GCB,—Resolved, nemine contradicente, That this House requests Madam Speaker to convey to Sir Clifford Boulton, GCB, on his retirement from the office of Clerk of the House, its gratitude for his many services to this House and to parliamentary government throughout a distinguished career.—(Mr Tony Newton.)

11 Public Accounts,—Resolved, That this House takes note of the 55th to 63rd Reports of the Committee of Public Accounts of Session 1992-93, of the 1st to 39th and 41st Reports of Session 1993-94, and of the Treasury Minutes and Northern Ireland Department of Finance and Personnel Memoranda on these Reports (Cm. 2419, Cm. 2446, Cm. 2492, Cm. 2493, Cm. 2555, Cm. 2577, Cm. 2602, Cm. 2618 and Cm. 2677) with particular reference to the following Reports:

Session 1992-93
Fifty-seventh, West Midlands Regional Health Authority: Regionally Managed Services Organisation;
Sixty-third, Wessex Regional Health Authority: Regional Information Systems Plan;

Session 1993-94
Eighth, The Proper Conduct of Public Business;
Seventeenth, Pergau Hydro-Electric Project;
Twenty-third, Development Board for Rural Wales: Allocation and Sale of Housing and Car Leasing Scheme.—(Mr Robert Sheldon.)

12 Legal Aid and Advice,—Resolved, That the draft Legal Aid (Scope) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 5th July, be approved.—(Mr Tom Sackville.)

13 Human Fertilisation and Embryology,—Resolved, That the draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 5th July, be approved.—(Mr Michael Bates.)
14 Human Fertilisation and Embryology, — **Resolved**, That the draft Parental Orders (Human Fertilisation and Embryology) (Scotland) Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 11th July, be approved. — *(Mr Michael Bates.)*

15 Broadcasting, — **Ordered**, That Sir Anthony Grant be discharged from the Select Committee on Broadcasting and Mr David Amess be added to the Committee. — *(Mr Michael Bates.)*

16 Liaison, — **Ordered**, That Mr John Watts be discharged from the Liaison Committee and Sir Thomas Arnold be added to the Committee. — *(Mr Michael Bates.)*

17 Adjournment, — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn — *(Mr Michael Bates;)*

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

18 Adjournment, — **Resolved**, That this House do now adjourn. — *(Mr Michael Bates.)*

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

*Adjourned at 10.12 p.m.*

**APPENDIX I**

*Wednesday 26th October 1994*

**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**

**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:**

1 National Health Service, — (1) Addenbrooke's National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2687),

(2) Community Health Care Service (North Derbyshire) National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2695),

(3) Crawley Horsham National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2688),

(4) East Anglian Ambulance National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2689),

(5) Hinchinbrooke Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2691),

(6) Kingston and District Community National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2692),

(7) Lincoln District Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2693),

(8) Louth and District Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2694),

(9) Northwick Park and St. Mark's National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2696),

(10) Papworth Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2697), and

(11) St George's Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2698),
dated 18th October 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

**Other Papers:**

2 Audit (Northern Ireland), — Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland on the privatisation of Northern Ireland Electricity [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 667] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

3 Environmental Protection, — Report of English Nature for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

4 Fire Services, — Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Fire Services for England and Wales for 1993-94 [by Command] [Cm. 2679] [Mr Secretary Howard].

5 Forestry, — (1) Report and Accounts of the Forestry Commission for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 661] [Mr Secretary Lang, Mr Secretary Redwood and Mr William Waldegrave]; and
(2) Statements of the—
   (i) Department of Forestry Accounts
   (ii) Forest Enterprise Accounts, and
   (iii) Forestry Fund Receipts and Payments Account
   for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act];
   to be printed [No. 661] [Sir George Young].

   Review and Statutory Appeals [by Act]; to be printed [No. 669] [Mr John M. Taylor].

7 National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Secretary of State for
   Health on 21st October 1994 on borrowing by—
   (1) Crawley Horsham National Health Service Trust, and
   (2) Darlington Memorial Hospital National Health Service Trust
   [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

8 Treaty Series (No. 53, 1994),—Notes exchanged at Lagos on 15th December 1989 and 12th
   March 1990, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
   Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of Benin concerning
   certain commercial debts (the United Kingdom/Benin Debt Agreement (1989)) [by
   Command] [Cm. 2681] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 Video Recordings,—Report and Accounts of the British Board of Film Classification for
   1993 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported
   from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on
   the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft
   Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994, the draft
   Weights and Measures (Metrication) (Miscellaneous Goods) (Amendment) Order 1994
   and the draft Units of Measurement Regulations 1994, viz.: Mr Robert Ainsworth, Mr
   Kenneth Baker, Mr Vivian Bendall, Mr Ian Bruce, Mr Richard Burden, Mr Simon
   Burns, Mr William Cash, Mr Michael Clapham, Mr Frank Cook, Mr Jim Cunningham
   Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr Nick Harvey, Mr Norman Lamont, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Sir
   Fergus Montgomery, Mr Gary Streeter, Mr Ian Taylor and Mr Ray Whitney.

2 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery
   reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the
   Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft
   Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994, the draft Double
   Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation
   Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994, viz.: Ms Diane Abbott, Mr
   Hugh Bayley, Mr Roger Berry, Mr Clive Betts, Mr Hartley Booth, Mr Nicholas Brown,
   Mr Jamie Cann, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Den Dover, Ms Angela Eagle, Mr David Faber,
   Mr Douglas French, Mr Robert Jackson, Mr Nigel Jones, Dame Elaine Kellett-
   Bowman, Sir Michael Marshall, Mr Peter Temple-Morris and Sir George Young.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Education,—Third Special Report from the Education Committee [Government Response
   to the Second Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94 (The Disparity in Funding
   between Primary and Secondary Schools)]; to be printed [No. 691] [Sir Malcolm
   Thornton].

2 Environment,—(1) Third Special Report from the Environment Committee [Government
   Reply to the Third Report from the Committee, Session 1993-94, on DoE Estimates
   1994-95, and Annual Report 1994]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 26th October;
   to be printed [Nos. 693 and 694-i] [Mr Barry Field].

3 European Legislation,—Twenty-Seventh Report from the Select Committee on European
   Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-
   xxvii] [Sir David Knox].
Foreign Affairs,—(1) First Special Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Informal meetings undertaken by the Committee in Session 1993–94]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 26th October; to be printed [Nos. 696 and 579-iii] [Mr David Howell].

Northern Ireland Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 26th October; to be printed [No. 417-viii] [Sir James Kilfedder].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 26th October; to be printed [No. 504-iv] [Mr James Pawsey].

Science and Technology,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Science and Technology Committee on 26th October; to be printed [No. 611-ii] [Sir Giles Shaw].

Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 26th October; to be printed [No. 695-i] [Mr William McKelvey].

Social Security,—Fifth Report from the Social Security Committee [The Operation of the Child Support Act: Proposals for Change]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 470] [Mr Frank Field].

Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 26th October; to be printed [Nos. 681-ii and-iii] [Mr Richard Caborn].

Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 26th October; to be printed [No. 697-i] [Mr Paul Channon].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 26th October; to be printed [No. 698-i] [Sir Thomas Arnold].

MEMORANDA
Wednesday 26th October 1994

Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), the Speaker allocated the draft Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994, the draft Weights and Measures (Metrication) (Miscellaneous Goods) (Amendment) Order 1994 and the draft Units of Measurement Regulations 1994 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), the Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Edward O'Hara Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994, the draft Weights and Measures (Metrication) (Miscellaneous Goods) (Amendment) Order 1994 and the draft Units of Measurement Regulations 1994;

(2) Mr John Maxton Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994; and

(3) Mr James Hill Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 8441/93, No. 8128/94 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, relating to the protection of animals during transport.

European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:

(1) European Community Documents Nos. 8618/94, relating to two and three wheeled vehicles, and 8958/94, relating to recording equipment in road transport, to European Standing Committee A; and

(2) European Community Documenta Nos. 8251/94, relating to hallmarking, 9098/94, relating to export credit insurance, 9141/94, relating to employees' rights on transfers, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by H. M. Treasury on 22nd September 1994 and 14th October 1994, relating to an excessive deficit in the United Kingdom, to European Standing Committee B.
Thursday 27th October 1994.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills [Lords] (Suspension),—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message [25th October] as relates to the London Local Authorities (No 2) Bill [Lords] and the Bodmin Moor Commons Bill [Lords] be now considered. —(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to consider so much of the said Message.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in their Resolution.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

2 British Waterways Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the Promoters of the British Waterways Bill [Lords] shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office of their intention to suspend further proceedings not later than the day before the close of the present Session and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid;

That, if the Bill is brought from the Lords to the next Session, the Agents for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by them, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Lords in the present Session;

That, as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, that such a declaration has been so deposited, has been laid upon the Table of the House, the Bill shall be read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed) and shall be committed to the Chairman of Ways and Means, who shall make such Amendments thereto as have been made to the Committee in the present Session, and shall report the Bill as amended to the House forthwith, and the Bill, so amended, shall be ordered to lie upon the Table;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Selection,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

5 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

6 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Roland Boyes reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Estonia) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Vietnam) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 18th October.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No.700].

7 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Guernsey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Jersey) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1994, and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances) (Switzerland) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 18th October.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 699].

8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Sale and Supply of Goods Bill, without Amendment.
Private Bills (Suspension).—The Lords concur with the Commons in their Message [25th October] relating to the Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Bill, and the Sheffield Assay Office Bill.

Private Bills [Lords] (Suspension),—The Lords communicate that they have considered the Message from the Commons [25th October] relating to the River Calder (Welbeck Site) Bill [Lords], the Malvern Hills Bill [Lords], and the City of Westminster Bill [Lords]; and that they have come to the following Resolutions in respect of the said Bills, viz.:—

That the promoters of each Bill have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereon in this Session in order to proceed with the Bill in the next Session of Parliament, notice of their intention to do so having been deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than 12 noon on Wednesday 2nd November next;

That such Bill shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than 3 p.m. on the second sitting day in the next Session with declaration annexed, signed by the agent, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in this House in the present Session;

That the proceedings on such Bill in the next Session of Parliament be pro forma in regard to every stage through which the Bill has passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged in regard to such stages;

That the Private Business Standing Orders apply to such Bill in the next Session only in regard to any stage through which the Bill has not passed during the present Session.

9 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 169].

10 Finance and Services,—Ordered. That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Finance and Services Committee be printed [No. 518].

11 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Derek Conway);

The Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

12 Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords],—Ordered. That, in respect of the Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time. —(Mr Michael Bates.)

13 Education,—Ordered. That Sir Paul Beresford be discharged from the Education Committee and Mr Graham Riddick be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

14 Employment,—Ordered. That Mr Sebastian Coe be discharged from the Employment Committee and Mr Warren Hawksley be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

15 Environment,—Ordered. That Mr Robert B. Jones be discharged from the Environment Committee and Sir Irvine Patnick be added to the Committee. —(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

16 Information,—Ordered. That Mr Rod Richards be discharged from the Information Committee and Mr Timothy Wood be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

17 Scottish Affairs,—Ordered. That Dr Liam Fox be discharged from the Scottish Affairs Committee and Mrs Jacqui Lait be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

18 Welsh Affairs,—Ordered. That Mr Rod Richards be discharged from the Welsh Affairs Committee and Mr Warren Hawksley be added to the Committee.—(Mr Andrew MacKay, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

19 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Glasgow for prosecution of those responsible for the death of Helen Tinney was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

20 Adjournment,—Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.—(Dr Liam Fox).

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.31 p.m.]
APPENDIX I
Thursday 27th October 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 National Health Service, (1) Harrow and Hillingdon Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2708), and
   (2) Papworth Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) (No. 2) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2709),
   dated 19th October 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

Other Papers:

2 Appropriation Accounts, 1993-94, — Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for—
   (1) Class XIV—Scotland and Forestry Commission, and
   (2) Classes XV and XVI—Wales and Northern Ireland
   for 1993-94, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act];
   to be printed [Nos. 670-X and 670-XI] [Sir George Young].

3 Police,—Welsh Language (Names for Police Authorities in Wales) Order 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2736), dated 24th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

4 Welsh Affairs,—Government Response to the Second Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1993-94, on Wind Energy [by Command] [Cm. 2694] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

5 Welsh Development Agency,—Direction, dated 11th October 1994, given by the Secretary of State for Wales to the Welsh Development Agency [by Act] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

1 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Fergus Montgomery reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c., Mr Nicholas Brown (nominated in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994); and had appointed in substitution Dawn Primarolo.

APPENDIX III
Reports from Select Committees

1 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 27th October; to be printed [No. 288-x] [Mrs Marion Roe].

2 National Heritage,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the National Heritage Committee on 27th October; to be printed [No. 653-ii] [Mr Gerald Kaufman].

[No. 150.]

Friday 28th October 1994.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Dr Liam Fox);
   And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
3 Sittings of the House,—Resolved. That this House do meet on Thursday 3rd November at half-past Nine o'clock.—(Mr Simon Burns.)

4 Business of the House,—Ordered. That, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Speaker shall put the Questions on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Gummer relating to the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) Order 1994 and the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Construction and Property Services) Order 1994 not later than one and a half hours after the first such Motion has been entered upon; and the said Motions may be entered upon and proceeded with at any hour, though opposed.—(Mr Simon Burns.)

5 Adjournment,—Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Simon Burns.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 31st October.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 28th October 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture,—Milk Marketing Board (Residuary Functions) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2759), dated 28th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr William Waldegrave].

2 Education (Scotland),—Teachers' Superannuation (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2699), dated 28th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

3 Housing (Scotland),—Accounts of Scottish Homes for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 702] [Clerk of the House].

4 Miscellaneous (No. 40, 1994),—Convention done at The Hague on 29th May 1993, on protection of children and co-operation in respect of intercountry adoption [by Command] [Cm. 2691] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

5 Museums and Galleries, —Accounts of the National Museum of Wales for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 701] [Clerk of the House].

6 National Audit, —Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Ministry of Defence: Developments in the Reliability and Maintainability of Defence Equipment [by Act]; to be printed [No. 690] [Clerk of the House].

7 National Museum of Wales, —Report and Financial Statement of the National Museum of Wales for 1993-94 [by Command] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

8 Science and Technology, —Accounts of the Natural Environment Research Council for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 703] [Clerk of the House].

9 Treaty Series (No. 54, 1994), —Notes exchanged at Madrid on 22nd July 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Spain concerning the derogation by the two countries of certain aspects of Article 24 of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction signed at The Hague on 25th October 1980 [by Command] [Cm. 2690] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

10 Treaty Series (No. 55, 1994), —Act done at Brussels on 25th March 1993, amending the Protocol on the Statute of the European Investment Bank empowering the Board of Governors to establish a European Investment Fund [by Command] [Cm. 2689] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

11 Treaty Series (No. 56, 1994), —Notes exchanged at Warsaw on 21st March and 19th April 1994, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Poland amending the Consular Convention signed at London on 23rd February 1967, as amended [by Command] [Cm. 2692] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,— Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,— A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Private Security (Registration) Bill,— Mr Bruce George, supported by Mr David Atkinson, Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Don Dixon, Dr John Gilbert, Mr Keith Hill, Mr John Home Robertson, Glenda Jackson, Mr Michael Shersby, Sir James Spicer and Sir Keith Speed, presented a Bill to provide for the establishment of a Private Security Registration Council and to give that Council powers and functions for the regulation of firms offering private security services and of persons employed as private security agents; to require the registration of such firms and persons with the Council; to impose requirements upon such firms and persons; to make provision for training of persons employed as private security agents; to make provision for compensation to be paid in respect of inadequately insured death or injury arising from the activities of such firms and persons; to define offences and specify penalties; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday and to be printed [Bill 170].

4 Opposition day [20th allotted day].— It being a day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Committee of Privileges: Hearing of Evidence,— A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the Committee of Privileges should exercise its powers under Standing Order No. 108 so as to secure that when examining witnesses it sits in public, except when for clear and compelling reasons, especially for reasons of natural justice, it is more expedient that press and public should be excluded and all or part of the evidence heard in private— (Mr John Prescott); An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘That’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘this House re-affirms the long established practice that decisions as to how a Select Committee once established should proceed are for the Committee itself’, instead thereof. — (Mr Tony Newton.) And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question; The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Jon Owen Jones: 264.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 301.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):— It was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House re-affirms the long established practice that decisions as to how a Select Committee once established should proceed are for the Committee itself.

Transport and the Environment,— A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, noting the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution’s condemnation of current Government transport and land use policies as unsustainable, calls on the Government to make a major strategic shift away from an obsessional concern with road building and road widening away from an obsessional concern with road building and road widening in favour of an affordable, safe and reliable public transport system to reduce pollution, accidents, noise and congestion— (Mr Michael Meacher); An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word ‘House’ to the end of the Question and add the words ‘welcomes the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution’s report on Transport and the Environment; recognises that its recommendations deserve thorough consideration and analysis; supports the significant measures already taken by the Government to improve the environmental impact of transport; endorses the Government’s recognition stated in the United Kingdom Sustainable Development Strategy, of the need to influence the rate of traffic growth and its clear planning policy guidance which seeks to reduce the need to travel in
the future; to that end applauds the Government's efforts to promote the development of public transport and its moves towards an effective partnership between public and private investment in transport; and believes that a balance must be struck between environmental concerns, economic growth and the freedom and choice provided by road transport', instead thereof. (Mr Secretary Mawhinney.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question; The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr John Cummings: 259.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 299.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):— It was agreed to.

The Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution’s report on Transport and the Environment; recognises that its recommendations deserve thorough consideration and analysis; supports the significant measures already taken by the Government to improve the environmental impact of transport; endorses the Government's recognition stated in the United Kingdom Sustainable Development Strategy, of the need to influence the rate of traffic growth and its clear planning policy guidance which seeks to reduce the need to travel in the future; to that end applauds the Government's efforts to promote the development of public transport and its moves towards an effective partnership between public and private investment in transport; and believes that a balance must be struck between environmental concerns, economic growth and the freedom and choice provided by road transport.

5 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords] and the Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr David Willetts):— It was agreed to.

6 Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Attorney General, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

Mr Attorney General, by Command of the Prince of Wales, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his Consent, as far as the Prince of Wales's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

7 Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords],—The Drug Trafficking Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:— The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 69 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr Michael Bates reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.
8 Employment.—Ordered, That Mr Oliver Heald be discharged from the Employment Committee and Mr Tim Yeo be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

9 National Heritage.—Ordered, That Mr Patrick McLoughlin be added to the National Heritage Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

10 Treasury and Civil Service,—Ordered, That Mr John Watts be discharged from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee and Mr Matthew Carrington be added to the Committee.—(Sir Fergus Montgomery, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

11 Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Michael Bates.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.56 p.m.]

APPENDIX I
Monday 31st October 1994
Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Food Safety,—(1) Food Safety (Fishery Products) (Import Conditions and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2783), and
2 Food Safety (Live Bivalve Molluscs and Other Shellfish) (Import Conditions and Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2782),
dated 31st October 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Bottomley].

2 Northern Ireland,—Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2735), dated 23rd October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Mawhinney].

Other Papers:

3 International Parliamentary Organisations (Registration),—Register, dated 31st October 1994 of organisations listed in the Schedule to the International Parliamentary Organisations (Registration) Act 1989 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

4 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the Daily Mail and General Trust plc and T Bailey Forman Limited: the proposed transfer of seven local newspapers published in Nottingham [by Command] [Cm. 2693] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

APPENDIX II
Reports from Select Committees

1 Public Accounts,—(1) Fiftieth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [National Insurance Fund Account 1992-93]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 419]; and
2 Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 31st October; to be printed [No. 705-i]
[Mr Robert Sheldon].

2 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 31st October; to be printed [No. 698-ii] [Sir Thomas Arnold].

MEMORANDUM

European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 8037/94, relating to two- and three-wheeled vehicles has been referred to European Standing Committee A; and European Community Documents Nos. 8940/94, relating to fisheries: access to areas and resources, and 8941/94, relating to fisheries: common fisheries policy control system, have been referred to European Standing Committee A in place of the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 14th September 1994, which were referred on 19th October.
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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, — Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr Edward O'Hara reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994, the draft Weights and Measures (Metrication) (Miscellaneous Goods) (Amendment) Order 1994 and the draft Units of Measurement Regulations 1994, referred to a Committee on 25th October.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 706].

4 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr John Maxton reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994, referred to a Committee on 18th October.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 726].

5 European Standing Committee A, — Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution: That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 8441/93 and the second Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 4th July 1994, and European Community Document No. 8126/94, relating to the protection of animals during transport; and supports the Government's intention of seeking to negotiate high standards of care for animals throughout the Community during transport.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

6 Message from the Lords, — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the European Union (Accessions) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Private Bills [Lords] (Suspension) — The Lords communicate that they have considered the Message from the Commons [27th October] relating to the British Waterways Bill [Lords] and that they have come to the following Resolution in respect of the said Bill, viz:

That the promoters of the Bill have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereon in this Session in order to proceed with the Bill in the next Session of Parliament, notice of their intention to do so having been deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than 9 a.m. on Thursday 3rd November next;

That such Bill be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than 5 p.m. on the second sitting day in the next Session with a declaration annexed, signed by the agent, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in this House in the present Session;

That the proceedings on the Bill in the next Session of Parliament be pro forma in regard to every stage through which the Bill has passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged to such stages;

That the Private Business Standing Orders apply to the Bill in the next Session only in regard to any stage through which the Bill has not passed during the present Session.

7 Firework Safety Bill, — Mr Nigel Griffiths, supported by Mrs Irene Adams, Mr David Jamieson, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Dennis Turner and Mr Jon Owen Jones, presented a Bill to restrict the sale to the general public of those fireworks which do not comply with Categories 1-3 of BS1174; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday and to be printed [Bill 171].
8 Pensions (Divorce).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law so as to provide for the equitable division of pensions in the event of divorce: And that Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Tony Banks, Mr Malcolm Chisholm, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Jean Corston, Mr Neil Gerrard, Mildred Gordon, Helen Jackson, Ms Joyce Quin and Audrey Wise do prepare and bring it in.

9 Pensions (Divorce) Bill,—Mr Harry Cohen accordingly presented a Bill to amend the law so as to provide for the equitable division of pensions in the event of divorce: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday and to be printed [Bill 172].

10 Opposition day [12th allotted day (second part)],—It being a day at the disposal of the leader of the second largest opposition party in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Energy Conservation Bill,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the Government's action in blocking the Energy Conservation Bill which was introduced by the Right honourable Member for Berwick-upon-Tweed with support from all parties; and calls on Her Majesty's Government to introduce the Bill itself in the coming session.—(Mr Matthew Taylor);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words, 'commends the Government's commitment to the efficient use of energy and congratulates the Government on the action taken to encourage energy efficiency; welcomes the work being undertaken by the Department of the Environment and in particular the imaginative way in which it uses available resources in close partnership with local authorities, businesses and other organisations and individuals; deprecates the proposals in the Energy Conservation Bill which would impose unnecessary burdens on public expenditure as well as on central and local government; and further considers these proposals typical of the muddled thinking of the Liberal Democrats, who supported VAT on fuel in 1990, but then changed their minds as soon as the Government introduced it', instead thereof. (Mr Robert Atkins.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question:
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Don Foster: 225.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Sydney Chapman, Mr Timothy Wood: 292.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Bowen Wells: 287.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Don Foster: 174.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House commends the Government's commitment to the efficient use of energy and congratulates the Government on the action taken to encourage energy efficiency; welcomes the work being undertaken by the Department of the Environment and in particular the imaginative way in which it uses available resources in close partnership with local authorities, businesses and other organisations and individuals; deplores the proposals in the Energy Conservation Bill which would impose unnecessary burdens on public expenditure as well as on central and local government; and further considers these proposals typical of the muddled thinking of the Liberal Democrats, who supported VAT on fuel in 1990, but then changed their minds as soon as the Government introduced it.

11 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill.

Lords Amendment No. 1.

Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Bates, Dr Liam Fox: 273.
Tellers for the Noes, Mrs Ray Michie, Mrs Margaret Ewing: 24.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 2 and 3 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 4.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Willetts, Mr Sydney Chapman: 278.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jon Owen Jones, Mr Jim Dowd: 247.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 5.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Willetts, Mr Simon Burns: 273.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Don Foster, Mr Andrew Welsh: 192.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 6 to 11 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 12.
An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 4, to leave out the words 'Chief social work officer' and insert the words 'Director of social work'.—(Mr John McAllion.)
Question proposed, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment.
And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

12 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Lords Amendments to the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill and the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr David Willetts):—It was agreed to.

13 Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Bill.
Lords Amendment No. 12.
And the Question being again proposed, That the Amendment ((a)) be made to the Lords Amendment:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.
And the Question being put;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Cummings, Mr Dennis Turner: 248.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Dr Liam Fox: 286.
So the Question was negatived.
The Lords Amendment was agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 13 to 16 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 17.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Derek Conway: 220.
Tellers for the Noes: Mr Andrew Welsh, Mr Nigel Jones: 85.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 18.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Bates: 214.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew Welsh, Mr David Chidgey: 70.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 19.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Michael Bates: 208.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew Welsh, Mr David Chidgey: 65.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 20.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Michael Bates: 205.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Andrew Welsh, Mr David Rendel: 67.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 21.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House proceeded to a Division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Bowen Wells: 203.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Nick Harvey, Mr Andrew Welsh: 65.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 22.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Bowen Wells, Dr Liam Fox: 199.
Tellers for the Noes, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Archy Kirkwood: 65.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 23.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Dr Liam Fox, Mr David Willetts: 193.
Tellers for the Noes, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Archy Kirkwood: 61.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 24.
Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Willetts, Mr Derek Conway: 193.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr John Spellar: 68.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 25 to 28 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 29.

Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Bowen Wells, Mr Simon Burns: 194.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Clarke, Mr Jim Dowd: 62.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 30 was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 31.

Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Simon Burns: 193.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Don Foster, Mr Andrew Welsh: 63.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 32 to 124 were agreed to.

14 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill.

Lords Amendment No. 1.

Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Bowen Wells: 142.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Dennis Turner: 43.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 2 to 11 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 12.

Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Bowen Wells, Mr David Willetts: 138.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Dennis Turner: 41.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 13 and 14 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 15.

Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Simon Burns: 138.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jim Dowd: 29.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 16 to 25 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 26.

Question put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Michael Bates, Dr Liam Fox: 132.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr John Spellar, Mr Jim Dowd: 29.
So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 27 to 46 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 47.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Steve Norris);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Derek Conway, Dr Liam Fox: 127.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jim Dowd, Mr Gordon McMaster: 24.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 48.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr Steve Norris);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Dr Liam Fox: 125.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Jim Dowd: 23.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 49 to 178 were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments Nos. 47 and 48;

That Mr Simon Burns, Mr Jonathan Evans, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr Richard Ottaway and Mr Brian Wilson be members of the Committee;

That three be the Quorum of the Committee;

That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(Mr Jonathan Evans.)

15 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Estonia) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

16 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Vietnam) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

17 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Guernsey) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

18 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July—(Mr Michael Bates):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.
19 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Jersey) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July—(Mr Michael Bates):— It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

20 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July—(Mr Michael Bates):— It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

21 Inheritance Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances) (Switzerland) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July—(Mr Michael Bates):— It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

22 Foodstuffs: Particular Nutritional Uses.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 5934/94 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 22nd June 1994, relating to foodstuffs intended for particular nutritional purposes; and agrees with the Government's intention to support this proposal—(Mr Michael Bates):— It was agreed to.

23 Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill,—Mr Jonathan Evans reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments Nos. 47 and 48 to the Deregulation and Contracting Out Bill, That it had drawn up the following Reasons accordingly, which it had directed him to report to the House:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment No. 47 made by the Lords, in page 47, line 10, for the following Reason:

Because the Commons do not consider it appropriate for a traffic commissioner considering an application for a PSV operator's licence to be required to refuse the application unless satisfied that there will be no adverse effects on local environmental conditions as a result of the activities of the licence-holder.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment No. 48 made by the Lords in page 47, line 42, for the following Reason:

Because the Commons consider that the traffic commissioner's existing powers to revoke a PSV operator's licence where the licence-holder has contravened drivers' hours requirements are sufficient.

The Reasons were agreed to.

Message to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons, with the Bill and Amendments.

24 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Michael Bates);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening and the Debate having continued for half an hour, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fifteen minutes to Five o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 4.45 a.m.]
APPENDIX I

Tuesday 1st November 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Agriculture, — Habitats (Scotland) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2710), dated 17th October 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

Other Papers:

2 Environment, — Government Response to the Second Report from the Environment Committee, Session 1993-94, on recycling [by Command] [Cm. 2696] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

3 National Lottery, — Report of the Director General of the National Lottery for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 672] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

4 Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development, — Financial Statements of English Partnerships for the period 1st November 1993 to 31st March 1994 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Gummer].

5 Welsh Office Executive Agencies, — Report and Accounts of CADW: Welsh Historic Monuments for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 552] [Mr Secretary Redwood].

Paper withdrawn:

6 Legal Aid and Advice, — Draft Legal Aid Advisory Committee (Dissolution) Order 1994 [laid 18th October].

APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Employment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 1st November; to be printed [No. 733] [Mr Greville Janner].

2 Scottish Affairs, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Scottish Affairs Committee on 31st October; to be printed [No. 695-ii] [Mr William McKelvey].

3 Statutory Instruments, — Twenty-eighth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 19-xxi] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].

4 Treasury and Civil Service, — Fifth Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [The Role of the Civil Service], with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 27] [Sir Thomas Arnold].

MEMORANDUM

Chairmen of Standing Committees, — In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85. (Chairmen of Standing Committees) the Speaker appointed Sir David Knox Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 19th April, relating to fisheries, Spanish and Portuguese arrangements; European Community Documents Nos. 8940/94, relating to fisheries: access to areas resources; 8941/94, relating to fisheries: common fisheries policy control system and 7541/94, relating to fisheries: multi-annual guidance programmes 1993.

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PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers, — Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees, — Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed, and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
3 European Standing Committee A.—Sir David Knox reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 19th April, relating to fisheries: Spanish and Portuguese arrangements, and of European Community Documents Nos. 8940/94, relating to Community fishing areas and resources, 8941/94, relating to the Common Fisheries Policy control system, and 7541/94, relating to fisheries; multi-annual guidance programme 1993; and supports the Government's determination to secure measures to safeguard the fish stocks around the United Kingdom's shores and to protect the interest of United Kingdom fishermen through its fisheries policies.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

4 Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Deregulation andContracting Out Bill to which this House has disagreed.

5 Accommodation and Works.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Accommodation and Works Committee [20th April to 2nd November 1994] be printed [Nos. 373-x to xviii].

6 Administration.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Administration Committee [12th April to 25th October 1994] be printed [Nos. 374-ix to xiii].

7 Agriculture.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Agriculture Committee be printed [No. 708].

8 Broadcasting.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Broadcasting Committee be printed [No. 533].

9 Catering.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Catering Committee [12th April to 26th October 1994] be printed [Nos. 402-ix to xiii].

10 Defence.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Defence Committee be printed [No. 709].

11 Education.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Education Committee be printed [No. 710].

12 Employment.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Employment Committee be printed [No. 711].

13 Environment.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Environment Committee be printed [No. 712].

14 Foreign Affairs.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Foreign Affairs Committee be printed [No. 713].

15 Health.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Health Committee be printed [No. 714].

16 Home Affairs.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Home Affairs Committee be printed [No. 715].

17 Information.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Information Committee [9th May to 26th October 1994] be printed [Nos. 403-ix to xiii].

18 Members' Interests.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Members' Interests be printed [No. 704].

19 National Heritage.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the National Heritage Committee be printed [No. 717].

20 Northern Ireland Affairs.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee be printed [No. 718].

21 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration be printed [No. 719].

22 Procedure.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Procedure Committee be printed [No. 721].

23 Liaison.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee on 25th October be printed [No. 716].

24 Public Accounts.—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Public Accounts Committee be printed [No. 720].
25 Science and Technology,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Science and Technology Committee be printed [No. 723].

26 Scottish Affairs,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Scottish Affairs Committee be printed [No. 724].

27 Social Security,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Social Security Committee be printed [No. 725].

28 Statutory Instruments,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee appointed to Join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Statutory Instruments be printed [No. 728].

29 Statutory Instruments,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments be printed [No. 727].

30 Trade and Industry,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Trade and Industry Committee be printed [No. 729].

31 Transport,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Transport Committee be printed [No. 730].

32 Treasury and Civil Service,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee be printed [No. 731].

33 Welsh Affairs,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Welsh Affairs Committee be printed [No. 732].

34 European Standing Committee A,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of European Standing Committee A be printed [No. 737].

35 European Standing Committee B,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of European Standing Committee B be printed [No. 738].

36 Disabled Persons (Consultation),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for a system of consultation when legislation relating to disabled persons is proposed and to set rules for formulating compliance cost assessments in the case of such legislation: And that Mr Roger Berry, Mr John Austin-Walker, Mr Tom Clarke, Mr David Congdon, Jean Corston, Mr Don Dixon, Sir John Hannam, Mr Alan Howarth, Ms Liz Lynne, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Alfred Morris and Mr Dafydd Wigley do prepare and bring it in.

37 Disabled Persons (Consultation) Bill,—Mr Roger Berry accordingly presented a Bill to provide for a system of consultation when legislation relating to disabled persons is proposed and to set rules for formulating compliance cost assessments in the case of such legislation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 173]:

38 Privilege,—Complaint having been made by Mr David Wilshire, Member for Spelthorne of the alleged action of The Guardian newspaper in representing that a letter sent by it to the Ritz Hotel, Paris, was sent in the name of an honourable Member of this House; A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the matter of the complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges—(Mr David Wilshire);

The House divided.

Tellers for Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Bowen Wells: 313.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Ronnie Campbell: 38.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the matter of the alleged action of The Guardian Newspaper in representing that a letter sent by it to the Ritz Hotel, Paris, was sent in the name of an honourable Member of this House be referred to the Committee of Privileges.

39 Local Government,—Resolved, That the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 14th June, be approved. —(Mr Robert B. Jones.)

40 Local Government,—Resolved, That the draft Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Defined Activities) (Construction and Property Services) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 20th July, be approved.—(Mr Robert B. Jones.)
41 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures Act 1985 (Metrication) (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 19th July, be approved.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

42 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Weights and Measures (Metrication) (Miscellaneous Goods) (Amendment) Order 1994, which was laid before this House on 19th July, be approved—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

43 Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Units of Measurement Regulations 1994, which were laid before this House on 19th July, be approved—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

44 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Kazakhstan) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

45 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mexico) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

46 Income Tax.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Russian Federation) Order 1994 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th July.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

47 Transport of Animals.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 8441/93 and the second Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 4th July 1994, and European Community Document No. 8128/94, relating to the protection of animals during transport; and supports the Government's intention of seeking to negotiate high standards of care for animals throughout the Community during transport—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

48 Fisheries Policy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 19th April, relating to fisheries; Spanish and Portuguese arrangements, and of European Community Documents Nos. 8940/94, relating to Community fishing areas and resources, 8941/94, relating to the Common Fisheries Policy control system and 7541/94 relating to fisheries; multi-annual guidance programme 1993; and supports the Government's determination to secure measures to safeguard the fish stocks around the United Kingdom's shores and to protect the interest of United Kingdom fishermen through its fisheries policies—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope):—It was agreed to.

49 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Topsham, Exeter, against the grant of public funds to the UN Population Fund and the International Planned Parenthood Federation was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

50 Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes to Eight o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 7.55 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Wednesday 2nd November 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

1 Education, — Teachers' Superannuation (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1994 (S.I., 1994, No. 2774), dated 27th October 1994 [by Act] [Mrs Secretary Shephard].


Other Papers:

3 Agricultural Marketing, — Report and Accounts of Food from Britain for 1993-94 [by Act] [Mr William Waldegrave].

4 Broadcasting, — Account of additional payments to the Radio Authority by programme licensees for 1993-94 and of the sums paid into the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom and the Consolidated Fund of Northern Ireland for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 734] [Clerk of the House].

5 Criminal Statistics, — Statistics relating to Crime and Criminal Proceedings for England and Wales for 1993 [by Command] [Cm. 2680] [Mr Secretary Howard].

6 Export and Investment Guarantees, — Return of commitments and statutory limits under the Export and Investment Guarantees Act 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

7 Government Trading Funds, — Report and Accounts of the Fire Service College for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 522] [Clerk of the House].

8 Museums and Galleries, — Account of the National Museum of Science and Industry for 1993-94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 735] [Clerk of the House].

9 Northern Ireland, — Northern Ireland Appropriation Accounts for 1993-94 together with the Consolidated Fund Services Account, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon and upon the Revenue Accounts [by Act]; to be printed [No. 674] [Secretary Sir Patrick Mayhew].

10 Police, — Code of Practice on Financial Management for new police authorities [by Act]; to be printed [No. 673] [Mr Secretary Howard].

11 Prisons, — Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons for 1993-94 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 688] [Mr Secretary Howard].


APPENDIX II

Reports from Select Committees

1 Education, — (1) Third Report from the Education Committee [The Department for Education's Expenditure Plans 1994-95 to 1996-97], with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report and a Memorandum laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 454]; and
   (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education Committee on 2nd November; to be printed [No. 707]
   [Sir Malcolm Thornton].

2 Environment, — Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 2nd November; to be printed [No. 740-i] [Mr Barry Field].

3 European Legislation, — (1) Twenty-eighth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 48-xxviii];
   (2) Twenty-ninth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation [External Frontiers and Visas]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 385]; and
(3) Second Special Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation [Parliamentary Scrutiny of the Co-Decision Procedure and the Government Response to the First Special Report on Scrutiny After Maastricht], to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 739]

[Mr Robert Hicks].

4 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 2nd November; to be printed [No. 288-xi] [Mrs Marion Roe].

5 Northern Ireland Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 2nd November; to be printed [No. 417-ix] [Sir James Kilfedder].

6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 2nd November; to be printed [Nos. 504-v and -vi] [Mr James Pawsey].

7 Public Accounts,—(1) Fifty-first Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Auditing Clinical Care in Scotland], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 375]; and

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 2nd November; to be printed [No. 741-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

8 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 2nd November; to be printed [No. 736] [Mr Richard Caborn].

MEMORANDUM

European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 11287/93, relating to external frontiers, and 8076/94, relating to the protection of the Community's financial interests, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 154.]


The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

2 Message to attend the Lords Commissioners,—A Message from the Lords Commissioners was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

Madam Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts and Measures agreed upon by both Houses and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly the Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to several Acts and Measures, and for proroguing this present Parliament.
The Royal Assent was given to the following Acts and Measures:

Sale of Goods (Amendment) Act 1994
Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994
Marriage Act 1994
Sale and Supply of Goods Act 1994
Drug Trafficking Act 1994
European Union (Accessions) Act 1994
Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994
Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994


And afterwards Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor (in pursuance of Her Majesty's Command), as follows:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

The Duke of Edinburgh and I were pleased to receive the State Visits of His Excellency the President of Zimbabwe in May and of Their Majesties The King and Queen of Norway in July.

The Duke of Edinburgh and I remember with pleasure our visit to several Commonwealth Caribbean countries and Bermuda in the spring. We were pleased to visit France to inaugurate, with the President of the French Republic, the Channel Tunnel in May and to attend the ceremonies to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the Normandy Landings in June. We were also pleased to visit Canada to attend the Commonwealth Games in August. We recall with pleasure our state visit to Russia last month.

My Government have continued to make provision for the defence of the United Kingdom and our allies and the promotion of international peace and stability, including a substantial contribution to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and to United Nations operations. Recently, my Government have deployed forces to help to defend Kuwait against a threat of invasion by Iraq.

My Government have continued to fight terrorism in the United Kingdom and elsewhere.

My Government continued to play a full part, both bilaterally (in particular through the Know How Fund) and with partners in supporting the post-communist states of Europe and Asia in their response to the historic challenge of political and economic transformation.

My Government welcomed the conclusion of the accession negotiations for Norway, Sweden, Finland and Austria to join the European Union, and the positive results of the referenda held so far in two of the applicant countries. My Government continued to work to bring the countries of Central and Eastern Europe into a closer relationship with the European Union. My Government welcomed the successful conclusion of the GATT Uruguay Round of trade negotiations.

My Government worked for progress on the European Union's priority action plan on justice and home affairs and made a number of proposals for further co-operation in this field. My Government worked with our European partners to ensure the effective implementation of the Common Foreign and Security Policy under the Treaty on European Union. In December 1993 my Government launched an initiative jointly with the Italian Government to involve the six Central and Eastern European countries which have Europe Agreements with the European Union more closely in the work of the two intergovernmental pillars. My Government welcomed the Commission's report on subsidiarity to the Brussels European Council.

My Government have continued to work for a peaceful settlement to the conflicts in the former Yugoslavia. My Government made a substantial contribution to international efforts to provide humanitarian relief to all those in need, particularly through the deployment of troops with the United Nations Protection Force.

My Government have pledged substantial aid to the Republic of South Africa following the holding of free elections and the establishment of a Government of national unity. My Government were pleased at South Africa's rejoining the Commonwealth after an absence of over thirty years.

My Government continued to seek to co-operate with China over all issues related to a smooth transfer of sovereignty in 1997 in the best interests of the people of Hong Kong.

My Government responded to the horrifying situation which arose in Rwanda by providing humanitarian relief, and have contributed troops and other support to the United Nations Force in Rwanda.
An Act has been passed to place the Secret Intelligence Service and the Government Communications Headquarters on a statutory basis, and to make provision for their oversight and that of the Security Service by a committee of Parliamentarians.

Members of the House of Commons:

I thank you for the provision you have made for the honour and dignity of the Crown and for the public service.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

My Government have pursued firm financial policies which have allowed the recovery to broaden and strengthen while reducing inflation to its lowest level for a generation.

My Government have brought together tax and expenditure decisions in a Unified Budget. Measures have been introduced to ensure that the budget deficit is brought back towards balance over the medium term. Steps have been taken to help business, to promote investment, and to improve the training and education of the workforce. My Government have successfully implemented a range of substantial measures to help our exporters win in world markets.

My Government have put forward proposals in the Green Paper on Resource Accounting and Budgeting for all departments to publish departmental resource accounts drawn up on commercial accounting principles by 1999, and for resource accounting subsequently to form the basis of the Public Expenditure Survey, to improve both the management of public spending and accountability for taxpayers' money. My Government have published a White Paper on the Civil Service.

Legislation has been passed to remove unnecessary regulatory burdens, to facilitate the process of deregulation in the future and to remove obstacles to contracting out in central and local government.

An Act has been passed which reforms the laws governing Sunday trading in England and Wales by allowing all small shops to open all day on Sundays and most larger shops to open for six hours.

Legislation has been passed to transfer the costs of Statutory Sick Pay to employers, whose National Insurance contributions have been reduced to meet those costs. An Act has also been passed to restructure the long term Incapacity Benefit from April 1995.

Legislation has been passed to enable British Coal to be privatised; and to modernise the law on trade marks and improve protection against their misuse.

An Act has been passed to improve the organisation and management of the police so that they are better able to combat crime; and to strengthen the administration of magistrates' courts.

Legislation has been passed to allow the courts to deal more effectively with young offenders and to make a wide range of other improvements in the criminal law and the criminal justice system.

An Act has been passed to enable the establishment of a Teacher Training Agency and to reform student unions.

Legislation has been enacted to reform local government in Scotland and Wales.

In Northern Ireland my Government have welcomed the ceasefires announced by the IRA and anti-nationalist paramilitaries. They have maintained progress towards a comprehensive political settlement, through discussions with the main constitutional parties, with the Irish Government, and through the Joint Declaration. They have worked to improve social and economic conditions.

My Government have made the first use of a new Parliamentary procedure for uncontroversial law reform, introducing measures recommended by the Law Commission to simplify and clarify the law of property.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may attend you.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission which has been now read we do, in Her Majesty's name, and in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Wednesday the sixteenth day of this instant November, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Wednesday the sixteenth day of this instant November.
APPENDIX

Thursday 3rd November 1994

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

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Other Papers:

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