

GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE  
HOUSE OF LORDS

**FORTHCOMING BUSINESS**  
**27 MARCH 2013**

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

**WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH 2013**

**Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Draft Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2013 – Motion to Regret – Lord Bach/Lord McNally
3. Draft Civil Legal Aid (Merits Criteria) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 – Motion to Approve – Lord McNally  
*(2 and 3 expected to be debated together)*
4. Civil Legal Aid (Procedure) Regulations 2012 – Motions to Regret – Baroness Grey Thompson and Baroness Scotland of Asthal/Lord McNally

**Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm**

No business scheduled

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*Easter adjournment:*

*Thursday 28 March 2013 to*  
*Sunday 21 April 2013 inclusive*

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## **MONDAY 22 APRIL 2013**

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

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

1. Introduction – The Bishop of Truro will be introduced
2. Oral questions (30 minutes)
3. Succession to the Crown Bill – Third Reading – Lord Wallace of Tankerness
4. Growth and Infrastructure Bill – Consideration of Commons reasons and amendments – Baroness Hanham
5. Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Bill – Consideration of Commons reasons and amendments – Viscount Younger of Leckie

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

1. QSD on Britain's relationship with the European Union – Lord Dykes/Baroness Warsi (time limit 90 minutes)
2. QSD on the role of nuclear power – Viscount Hanworth/Baroness Verma (time limit 1 hour)
3. QSD on the Severn barrage – Lord Cope of Berkeley/Baroness Verma (time limit 1 hour)

## **TUESDAY 23 APRIL 2013**

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

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

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Public Service Pensions Bill - Consideration of Commons reasons and amendments – Lord Newby
3. Defamation Bill – Consideration of Commons reasons and amendments – Lord McNally
4. Crime and Courts Bill [HL] – Consideration of Commons amendments – Lord Taylor of Holbeach
5. *Consideration of Commons reasons and amendments may be scheduled*

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

1. Debate on the report of the Joint Committee on the Draft Enhanced Terrorism Prevention and Investigation Measures Bill – Lord Plant of Highfield/Baroness Stowell of Beeston
2. Draft Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Consequential and Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2013 – Earl Attlee
3. QSD on groups supporting those at risk of suicide – Baroness Buscombe/Earl Howe (time limit 1 hour)
4. QSD on refugees from Syria – Baroness Blackstone/Baroness Northover (time limit 1 hour)

## WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL 2013

*House dinner in the Peers' Dining Room at 7.30 p.m.*

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

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. 5th and 6th Reports from the Procedure Committee – Chairman of Committees
3. National Health Service (Procurement, Patient Choice and Competition) (No. 2) Regulations 2013 – Prayer to Annul – Lord Hunt of Kings Heath / Earl Howe
4. *Consideration of Commons reasons and amendments may be scheduled*

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

1. QSD on Personal, Social and Health education in schools – Baroness Massey of Darwen/Lord Nash (time limit 90 minutes)
2. QSD on maximising tourist potential in the UK – Lord Lee of Trafford/Lord Gardiner of Kimble (time limit 1 hour)
3. QSD on a statutory register for practitioners supplying unlicensed herbal medicines – Lord Pearson of Rannoch/Earl Howe (time limit 1 hour)

## THURSDAY 25 APRIL 2013

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

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Maastricht convergence criteria motion – Lord Newby
3. Debate on the European Union Semester – Lord Newby  
*(2 and 3 expected to be debated together)*
4. *Consideration of Commons reasons and amendments may be scheduled*

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

No business yet scheduled

## FRIDAY 26 APRIL 2013

*The House is expected not to sit*

*[The date and time for the prorogation of Parliament will be set once the progress of business is certain.]*

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## SESSION 2013-14

### PROVISIONAL

#### WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2013

##### **Business in the Chamber at 11.30am**

1. The Queen will open a new session of the Parliament and make a speech from the Throne

##### **Business in the Chamber at 3.30pm**

2. The Queen's Speech - motion for an humble Address (debate to be adjourned once the motion has been proposed and seconded)

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

No business scheduled

#### THURSDAY 9 MAY 2013

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

1. The Queen's Speech (Day 1 of 4) - adjourned debate on the motion for an humble Address (The debate on the humble Address is a single debate taken over four full days. Each member of the House may speak once in the debate and may address any subject. It is expected that the principal topics for debate this day will be constitutional affairs, equalities, home affairs, justice and law) - Lord McNally / Lord Taylor of Holbeach

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

No business scheduled

#### FRIDAY 10 MAY 2013

*The House is expected not to sit*

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## **MONDAY 13 MAY 2013**

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

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

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. The Queen's Speech (Day 2 of 4)- adjourned debate on the motion for an humble Address (it is expected that the principal topics for debate will be the business, economy, local government and transport) - Lord Deighton / Baroness Hanham

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

No business scheduled

## **TUESDAY 14 MAY 2013**

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

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

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. The Queen's Speech (Day 3 of 4)- adjourned debate on the motion for an humble Address (it is expected that the principal topics for debate will be agriculture, culture, education, energy, health and welfare) - Lord Freud / Earl Howe

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

No business scheduled

## **WEDNESDAY 15 MAY 2013**

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

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

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. The Queen's Speech (Day 4 of 4) - adjourned debate on the motion for an humble Address (it is expected that the principal topics for debate will be defence, foreign and Commonwealth affairs, international development) - Baroness Warsi / Lord Astor of Hever

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

No business scheduled

## THURSDAY 16 MAY 2013

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

1. Oral questions (30 minutes)
2. Balloted debates

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

No business scheduled

## FRIDAY 17 MAY 2013

*The House is expected not to sit*

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# Information

## Notes

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

## Legislative Thursdays

Bills not debates will be taken on Thursdays until the end of the session. Debates will then be taken on Thursdays until the end of January 2014.

## Sitting Fridays

The House is unlikely to sit on any further Friday this session.

## Recess dates

The Chief Whip has announced that, subject to the progress of business, the House will adjourn for:

- *Easter*: Thursday 28 March to Sunday 21 April inclusive
- *Whitsun*: Thursday 23 May to Sunday 2 June inclusive
- *Summer*: Wednesday 31 July to Monday 7 October inclusive
- *Autumn long weekend*: Wednesday 13 November to Sunday 17 November inclusive
- *Christmas*: Thursday 19 December to Monday 6 January 2014 inclusive

## Advice on business

General inquiries	Email	<a href="mailto:holgovernmentwhips@parliament.uk">holgovernmentwhips@parliament.uk</a>
	Telephone	020-7219 3131
	Website	<a href="http://www.lordswhips.org.uk">www.lordswhips.org.uk</a>
<i>Advice on the day's expected timing</i>		Main Office; 020-7219 3131; Room 13
<i>Grouping of amendments</i>		Victoria Warren; 020-7219 1113; Room 14
<i>Scheduling tabled private members' business</i>		Talitha Rowland; 020-7219 5215; Room 14

## ***Speakers' Lists***

For most debates, it is necessary to sign-up in advance to speak. On days when the House sits after 12 noon, the lists of speakers close at 12 noon. On days when the House sits before 12 noon, the lists close at 6pm the previous day. The Government Whips' Office then issues a list of speakers drawn up after consultation in the usual channels.

*To sign-up to speak* Telephone 020-7219 3131  
Use the touchscreen in the main office (Room 13, Principal Floor)  
Use [www.lordswhips.org.uk](http://www.lordswhips.org.uk)

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

### *Current Speakers' Lists*

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

Monday 22 April	QSD on Britain's relationship with the European Union QSD on the role of nuclear power QSD on the Severn barrage
Tuesday 23 April	Debate on the report of the Joint Committee on the Draft Enhanced Terrorism Prevention and Investigation Measures Bill QSD on groups supporting those at risk of suicide QSD on refugees from Syria
Wednesday 24 April	QSD on Personal, Social and Health education in schools QSD on maximising tourist potential in the UK QSD on a statutory register for practitioners supplying unlicensed herbal medicines
Thursday 9 May	Debate on the Humble Address day 1 (constitutional affairs, equalities, home affairs, justice and law)
Monday 13 May	Debate on the Humble Address day 2 (business, economy, local government and transport)
Tuesday 14 May	Debate on the Humble Address day 3 (agriculture, culture, education, energy, health and welfare)
Wednesday 15 May	Debate on the Humble Address day 4 (defence, foreign and Commonwealth affairs, international development)