

# HOUSE OF LORDS

## AMENDMENTS AGREED ON 22 FEBRUARY 2022

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Amend the following SOs (new text in **bold**, text to be deleted struck through) —

## 52 Divisions [27 June 1865]

- (1) When, on the Question being put, a division is called for, the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall order the Bar to be cleared, **and the Clerk will start the division by activating the pass-readers in the division lobbies and the electronic voting system.** ~~Two Tellers shall be appointed by the Contents and two by the Not-contents. After the lapse of three minutes from the time when the Bar is ordered to be cleared, the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall again put the Question.~~
- (1A) **Two Tellers shall be appointed by the Contents and two by the Not-contents. One Teller for the Contents and one for the Not-contents shall be appointed for each division lobby.**
- (2) **After the lapse of three minutes from the time when the Bar is ordered to be cleared, the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall again put the Question.** ~~If, after a lapse of three minutes from the time when the Bar is ordered to be cleared~~ **at this point,** ~~Tellers have not been appointed either for the Contents or for the Not-contents, a division cannot take place. The member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall declare the Question decided in favour of the side which has appointed Tellers.~~
- (3) ~~One Teller for the Contents and one for the Not-contents shall be appointed for each division lobby without respect to their degree; and clerks shall be in attendance in each lobby to record the names of the Contents and Not-contents respectively; the Tellers shall count the votes and announce the numbers to the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair.~~

- (3) To cast a vote, a member must present a valid security pass to one of the pass-readers located in the division lobbies, except as otherwise provided for in Standing Orders 24A and 53. Having voted, a member should pass the Tellers as they leave the lobby.
- (4) After the lapse of eight minutes from the time when the Bar is ordered to be cleared, or longer at the discretion of the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair, the doors of the Chamber shall be locked, and the member on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall inform the House or the committee of the Question which is the subject of the division.
- (5) A **member** Lord may vote in a division although they did not hear the Question put.

#### 53 Votes counted in the House [27 June 1865]

Any **member** Lord may, on the ground of infirmity, have the privilege of **voting in their place** ~~being told in their seat;~~ and the votes of such **members** Lords and of the **member** Lord on the Woolsack or in the Chair shall be taken first by the Clerk and ~~notified to the Tellers on their return from the division lobbies.~~

#### 54 Voting in wrong lobby [27 June 1865]

~~If any Lord shall have by mistake gone out with the Contents or Not-contents (as the case may be), having intended to vote on the other side, they shall wait until the other Lords in the same lobby shall have passed out, and on presenting themselves to the Tellers desire that they may not be counted by them, they having entered that lobby by mistake; and the Tellers shall thereupon come with such Lord to the Table, and inform the House of the circumstances, and shall ask the said Lord whether they desire to vote Content or Not-content, and the vote of the said Lord as then declared by them shall be taken~~

by the Tellers in the House, and recorded by the Tellers accordingly.

If any member has by mistake voted either Content or Not-content, having intended to vote on the other side, they may go to the Clerk at the Table before the end of the division and request to change their vote. The Clerk will inform the Tellers of the change before the result of the division is announced. Members may not vote in both lobbies.

### 63 Sessional committees [10 November 1975]

The orders of appointment of the following committees, and any of their sub-committees, shall remain in force and effect, notwithstanding the prorogation of Parliament, until such time as the House or committee makes further orders of appointment in the next succeeding session:

#### **Built Environment Committee**

Communications and Digital Committee

Conduct Committee

Consolidation Bills Committee

Constitution Committee

Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee

Economic Affairs Committee

#### **Environment and Climate Change Committee**

European Union Affairs Committee

Finance Committee

House of Lords Commission

Human Rights Committee

Hybrid Instruments Committee

#### **Industry and Regulators Committee**

International Agreements Committee

International Relations and Defence Committee

## **Justice and Home Affairs Committee**

Liaison Committee

National Security Strategy Committee

Procedure and Privileges Committee

Public Services Committee

Science and Technology Committee

Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee

Services Committee

Standing Orders (Private Bills) Committee

Statutory Instruments Committee.