Plenary

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 23 May 2012

Meeting time:

13:30

Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru

National Assembly for **Wales**



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1. Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins) View Questions

2. Questions to the Counsel General (10 mins) View Questions

3. Questions to the Assembly Commission (5 mins) View Questions

4. Motion to elect a Member to the Business Committee (1 min)

NDM4994 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Aled Roberts (Welsh Liberal Democrats) as a member of the Business Committee in place of Peter Black (Welsh Liberal Democrats).

- 5. Statement by the Rt Hon. Cheryl Gillan MP, Secretary of State for Wales (60 mins)
- 6. Debate on the Queen's Speech (130 mins)

NDM4992 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the content of the UK Government's legislative programme 2012/2013.

UK Government's Legislative Programme:

http://number10.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/engage/queens-speech-2012/

Supporting Document:

Research Service Paper - Queen's Speech 2012

Queen's Speech Bills Handout provided by the Wales Office, May 2012

Letter from the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the legislative programme fails to include any meaningful measures to deliver growth in the economy.

Amendment 2 – Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Energy Bill which will reform the electricity market in order to encourage investment in low-carbon generation and clean energy.

Amendment 3 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Small Donations Bill which will enable small charities to reclaim 25p for every £1 donated up to £5,000.

Amendment 4 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Banking Reform Bill which will separate banks' retail activities from their investment activities.

Amendment 5 - William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the UK Government's legislative programme and its continued commitment to:

- a) reduce the deficit and thereby ensure record low interest rates in the United Kingdom, benefitting homeowners across Wales;
- b) restore economic stability, creating the wealth to sustain public services.

Amendment 6 - William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Groceries Code Adjudicator Bill and the creation of the position of Groceries Code Adjudicator.

Voting Time

7. Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM4993 Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd)

Child Asylum Seekers and their protection in Wales

The UK Government is holding back the Welsh Government's abilities in relation to asylum seeking children in Wales. Child safeguarding is a devolved issue, but the extent to which the UK Government has interpreted its reserved competence of immigration, to treat any issue related to asylum seekers, asylum seeking children and refugees as reserved matter, including those areas which are devolved competencies of the National Assembly for Wales has, in many instance, run counter to the Welsh Government's objectives for the citizens of Wales: on children's rights, equality and working towards a fair and inclusive society

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 29 May 2012