

Plenary

Meeting date:
Wednesday, 22 May 2013

Meeting time:
13:30

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Agenda (134)v6

1 Questions to the Minister for Finance (45 mins)

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2 Questions to the Minister for Local Government and Government Business (45 mins)

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Urgent Question

Leanne Wood (South Wales Central): Will the Minister make a statement on the south Wales hospital reorganisation programme? EAQ(4)0285(HSS)

3 Questions to the Assembly Commission (15 mins)

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4 Debate on the Queen's Speech (120 mins)

NDM5245 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the content of the UK Government's legislative programme 2013/2014.

UK Government's Legislative Programme:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/queens-speech-2013>

Supporting documents:

[Research Service paper](#)

[Secretary of State's Written Statement](#)

[Queen's Speech Bills Handout provided by the Wales Office, May 2013](#)

[Letter from the Minister for Local Government and Government Business](#)

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that a Government of Wales Bill implementing the recommendations of the Silk Commission on Devolution in Wales was not included in the legislative programme.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Draft Wales Bill, which will reform elections to the National Assembly and could provide a platform for the UK Government to implement any recommendations of the Silk Commission (Part I).

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the National Insurance Contributions Bill, which will mean that from April 2014 every charity and business will be entitled to a £2,000 Employment Allowance, helping over 35,000 businesses in Wales to hire their first employee or expand their workforce.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Pensions Bill, which will introduce a single tier state pension, bringing significant and much needed reform that will support people to save for retirement.

Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Deregulation Bill, which will help reduce the burden of excessive and unnecessary regulation on businesses, organisations and individuals, to help growth and save money for the taxpayer.

Amendment 6 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Draft Consumer Rights Bill, which will simplify and consolidate core consumer rights, ensuring that consumers have clearer rights in law and businesses treat their customers fairly.

Amendment 7 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Care Bill, which will reform care and support funding in England ensuring that people are protected from the high costs of their social care, and calls on the Welsh Government to outline the key principles that will underpin a new care funding system in Wales.

Amendment 8 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the UK Government's continued commitment, as outlined in the UK Government's legislative programme, to building an economy where people who

work hard are properly rewarded.

Amendment 9 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the UK Government commitment to the Draft Wales Bill.

Amendment 10 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Acknowledges the UK Government commitment to a Care Bill and calls on the Welsh Government to bring forward similar proposals to ensure the cost of care in Wales is addressed.

In accordance with Standing Order 11.15 (i) the Business Committee decided that any vote necessary would take place at the end of the debate.

5 Debate on the Finance Committee's Report Invest to Save (60 mins)

NDM5246 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Finance Committee's report on Invest-to-Save which was laid in the Table Office on 26 March 2013.

Note: The response of the Minister for Finance was laid in the Table Office on 15 May 2013.

Supporting documents:

[Finance Committee's report](#)

[Letter from the Minister for Finance to the Chair of the Finance Committee](#)

[Welsh Government's response](#)

Voting Time

6 Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM5244 Suzy Davies (South Wales West): How Safe is Safe?: Implications for the Learner Travel Measure in view of the Active Travel Bill

A debate to discuss what constitutes a safe walking or cycling route to school.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 4 June 2013