

## **PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU**

### **LCM REFERRALS**

#### **LEGISLATIVE CONSENT MEMORANDUM - SOCIAL SECURITY (SPECIAL RULES FOR END OF LIFE) BILL (UK LEGISLATION)**

##### **Introduction**

1. Under Rule 9B.3.5, the Parliamentary Bureau is required to refer any legislative consent memorandum (LCM) that has been lodged with the Parliament to the committee within whose remit the subject matter of the relevant provision falls.

##### **Social Security (Special Rules for End of Life) Bill**

2. This Bill was introduced in the House of Lords on 11 May 2022.

3. An LCM was lodged by Shona Robison MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing and Local Government on 25 May 2022.

4. The Bill changes the definition of terminal illness that is used for the provision of fast-tracked access to Attendance Allowance, Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payment.

5. The LCM indicates that the Scottish Government intends to lodge a motion seeking the Scottish Parliament's consent to the UK Parliament legislating on devolved matters in this Bill.

##### **Designation of lead committee**

6. The remit of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee is to consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing and Local Government, excluding matters relating to local government, housing and planning. That Cabinet Secretary has responsibility for social security, which is the subject matter of the Bill to which this LCM relates. The remit of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee is therefore engaged.

7. No other committee remit appears to be engaged.

8. The LCM will also be considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee in regard to provisions in the Bill conferring powers on the Scottish Ministers to make subordinate legislation.

##### **Recommendation**

9. The Bureau is invited to agree to refer, under Rule 9B.3.5, the LCM on the Social Security (Special Rules for End of Life) Bill to the Social Justice and Social Security Committee to consider and report on it.

## **LEGISLATIVE CONSENT MEMORANDUM - PROCUREMENT BILL (UK LEGISLATION)**

### **Introduction**

10. Under Rule 9B.3.5, the Parliamentary Bureau is required to refer any legislative consent memorandum (LCM) that has been lodged with the Parliament to the committee within whose remit the subject matter of the relevant provision falls.

### **Procurement Bill**

11. This Bill was introduced in the House of Lords on 11 May 2022.

12. An LCM was lodged by Kate Forbes MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy on 25 May 2022.

13. The UK Government has described the purpose of the Bill as being to reform the United Kingdom's public procurement regime following its exit from the European Union (EU), to create a simpler and more transparent system not based on transposed EU Directives.

14. The LCM indicates that the Scottish Government does not intend to lodge a motion seeking the Scottish Parliament's consent to the UK Parliament legislating on devolved matters in this Bill at this time due to concerns about the breadth of the approach taken by the Bill.

### **Designation of lead committee**

15. The remit of the Economy and Fair Work Committee is to consider and report on matters relating to the economy falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy. The Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise has responsibility for procurement and supports the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy. The remit of the Economy and Fair Work Committee is therefore engaged.

16. No other committee remit appears to be engaged.

17. The LCM will also be considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee in regard to provisions in the Bill conferring powers on the Scottish Ministers to make subordinate legislation.

### **Recommendation**

18. The Bureau is invited to agree to refer, under Rule 9B.3.5, the LCM on the Procurement Bill to the Economy and Fair Work Committee to consider and report on it.

**Parliamentary Business Team**  
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