

Business of the House Commission Bill

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Create a Business of the House Commission to regulate the timetabling of business in the House of Commons; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 The Business of the House Commission

- (1) There shall be a body to be known as the Business of the House Commission to perform functions conferred on it by, or by virtue of, this Act.
- (2) The Commission is to consist of nine members who shall be members of the House of Commons appointed by that House. 5
- (3) No more than one member of the Commission may be a Minister of the Crown.
- (4) The Schedule (which makes further provision about the Commission) has effect.

2 Initial function of the Commission

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- (1) The initial function of the Commission shall be, within six months of the date on which this Act is passed, to prepare a report making proposals to regulate the timetabling of business in the House of Commons.
- (2) A report prepared in accordance with subsection (1) shall be laid before the House of Commons as soon as practicable after it is agreed to. 15

3 Further functions of the Commission

- (1) A resolution of the House, following on from a report of the Commission under section 2 or this section, may confer functions upon the Commission to regulate the timetabling of business in the House of Commons.
- (2) The Commission may make such further reports as it considers appropriate containing further proposals to regulate the timetabling of business in the House of Commons. 20

- (3) A report prepared in accordance with subsection (2) shall be laid before the House of Commons as soon as practicable after it is agreed to.

4 Commencement and short title

- (1) This Act shall come into force on the day on which it receives Royal Assent.
- (2) This Act may be cited as the Business of the House Commission Act 2022.

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