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Dear John

**Legislative Consent: Professional Qualifications Bill – UK Legislation**

I am writing to notify you that, on 10 February 2022, the Scottish Parliament agreed not to consent to the Professional Qualifications Bill, which is currently under consideration at Westminster.

Given the Bill is of interest to all parts of the UK, I am also writing today to Simon Burton, Clerk of the Parliaments, Manon Antoniazzi, Chief Executive and Clerk of the Senedd and Lesley Hogg, Clerk/ Chief Executive of the Northern Ireland Assembly, to inform them of the Scottish Parliament's decision.

I attach the associated memorandums and extract of the Minutes of Proceedings.

Yours sincerely,

**DAVID MCGILL**  
Clerk/Chief Executive

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 1, No. 81, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Thursday 10 February 2022

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 11.40 am.

**5. Professional Qualifications Bill (UK Legislation):** The Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise (Ivan McKee) moved S6M-03124—That the Parliament notes the supplementary legislative consent memorandum on the Professional Qualifications Bill lodged by the Scottish Government on 28 January 2022, and the reports of both the Economy and Fair Work Committee and the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee of 22 November 2021 and 23 September 2021, and calls on the UK Government to amend clause 16 (formerly 14) of the Professional Qualifications Bill to require UK Ministers to secure the consent of Scottish Ministers before acting in areas of devolved competence.

The meeting closed at 5.09 pm.

**David McGill**  
Clerk of the Parliament  
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