

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

LORDS AMENDMENTS TO THE SAFETY OF RWANDA (ASYLUM AND IMMIGRATION) BILL

Committee to draw up Reasons for disagreeing to Lords Amendments

MONDAY 15 APRIL 2024

Members present:

Michael Tomlinson, in the Chair

Colleen Fletcher
Stephen Kinnock
Scott Mann

Kieran Mullan
James Sunderland
Alison Thewliss

Motion made and Question put, That the following Reason be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment 1B to the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill:

Because the Commons consider that the provisions of the Bill are compliant with domestic and international obligations, and that it is therefore not necessary to refer expressly to having due regard for domestic and international law when setting out the purpose of the Bill.—(*The Chair.*)

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 3

Noes, 1

James Sunderland
Scott Mann
Kieran Mullan

Alison Thewliss

Question accordingly agreed to.

Reason to be reported [Standing Order No. 83H(6)].

Motion made and Question put, That the following Reason be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments 3B and 3C to the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill:

Because the Commons consider that it is not necessary to refer expressly to the arrangements in the Rwanda Treaty being, and continuing to be, implemented and adhered to; the Bill is clear that it comes into force on the day on which the Rwanda Treaty enters into force and it is not appropriate for the Bill to legislate for Rwanda adhering to its obligations under the Treaty as Rwanda's ongoing adherence to its Treaty obligations will be subject to the monitoring provisions set out in the Treaty. —(*The Chair.*)

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 3

Noes, 1

James Sunderland
Scott Mann
Kieran Mullan

Alison Thewliss

Question accordingly agreed to.

Reason to be reported [Standing Order No. 83H(6)].

Motion made and Question put, That the following Reason be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment 6B to the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill:

Because the Commons consider that it is not appropriate to leave out clause 4 of the Bill and insert the new clause in the Amendment, as the Bill allows decision-makers to consider claims that Rwanda is unsafe for an individual due to their particular circumstance.—(*The Chair.*)

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 3

Noes, 1

James Sunderland
Scott Mann
Kieran Mullan

Alison Thewliss

Question accordingly agreed to.

Reason to be reported [Standing Order No. 83H(6)].

Motion made and Question put, That the following Reason be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment 7B to the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill:

Because the Commons consider that it is not appropriate to amend the age assessment provisions of existing legislation. —(*The Chair.*)

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 3

Noes, 1

James Sunderland
Scott Mann
Kieran Mullan

Alison Thewliss

Question accordingly agreed to.

Reason to be reported [Standing Order No. 83H(6)].

Motion made and Question put, That the following Reason be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendment 10B to the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill:

Because the Commons consider that it is not necessary as the only way individuals should come to the UK is through safe and legal routes.—(*The Chair.*)

The Committee divided.

Ayes, 3

Noes, 1

James Sunderland
Scott Mann
Kieran Mullan

Alison Thewliss

Question accordingly agreed to.

Reason to be reported [Standing Order No. 83H(6)].