



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

DELEGATED POWERS AND LAW REFORM COMMITTEE

MINUTES

1st Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Tuesday 5 January 2016

Present:

Richard Baker
John Mason (Deputy Convener)
Stewart Stevenson

Nigel Don (Convener)
John Scott

The meeting opened at 11.01 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 8 in private.
2. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered correspondence from the Scottish Government on the Bill.
3. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Fergus Ewing, Minister for Business, Energy and Tourism; Graham Fisher, Head of Branch 1, Civil and Constitutional Law Division, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government; Gregor Clark, Parliamentary Counsel, Scottish Law Commission; Alex Reid, Head of Operational Policy & Compliance, Accountant in Bankruptcy.

4. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

[Dog Fouling \(Fixed Penalty\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \[draft\].](#)

5. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

[Food Information \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2015 \(SSI 2015/410\);](#)
[Public Service Vehicles \(Registration of Local Services\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2015 \(SSI 2015/420\).](#)

6. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

[Tribunals \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Commencement No. 3\) Order 2015 \(SSI 2015/422 \(C.55\)\):](#)

[Act of Sederunt \(Sheriff Court Rules Amendment\) \(Miscellaneous\) 2015 \(SSI 2015/424\):](#)

[Welfare Funds \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Commencement\) Order 2015 \(SSI 2015/428 \(C.26\)\).](#)

7. **Enterprise Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee considered the powers to make subordinate legislation conferred on Scottish Ministers in the [Enterprise Bill](#) (UK Parliament legislation) and agreed the contents of a report to the Economy, Energy and Tourism Committee.
8. **Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee agreed a report to the Health and Sport Committee.
9. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered the evidence it has received on the Bill.

The meeting closed at 12.35 pm.

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