



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## DELEGATED POWERS AND LAW REFORM COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

10th Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Tuesday 8 March 2016

Present:

Lesley Brennan  
John Mason (Deputy Convener)  
Stewart Stevenson

Nigel Don (Convener)  
John Scott

The meeting opened at 10.47 am.

1. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee agreed to draw the attention of the Parliament to the following—

[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/126\);](#)

and that no points arose on the following—

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Renewable Energy Generation Relief\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/121\);](#)

[Non-Domestic Rating \(Unoccupied Property\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/124\).](#)

2. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee agreed to draw the attention of the Parliament to the following—

[Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 and Sheriff Court Rules Amendment\) \(Miscellaneous\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/102\);](#)

and that no points arose on the following—

[Air Weapons and Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Commencement No. 3 and Transitional Provisions\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/130 \(C.13\)\);](#)

[Air Weapons and Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Commencement No. 4, Transitional and Saving Provisions\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/132 \(C.14\)\).](#)

3. **Higher Education Governance (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2 and agreed the contents of a report.
4. **Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2 and agreed the contents of a report. The Committee also agreed to write to the Scottish Government recommending that the regulation making powers in section 30 of the Bill be subject to the provisional affirmative procedure.
5. **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered correspondence from the Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform and agreed to write further to the Minister regarding anticipated amendments at Stage 3 to Part 3 of the Bill.
6. **Scotland Bill 2015-16 (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee considered the powers to make subordinate legislation conferred on Scottish Ministers in the [Scotland Bill 2015-16](#) (UK Parliament legislation) and agreed the contents of a report.

The meeting closed at 11.09 am.

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