



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

7th Meeting, 2012 (Session 4)

Tuesday 13 March 2012

Present:

Marco Biagi (Committee Substitute)	Chic Brodie
Nigel Don (Convener)	Mike MacKenzie
John Pentland	John Scott

Apologies were received from James Dornan (Deputy Convener), Michael McMahon.

The meeting opened at 2.38 pm.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 5 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee agreed to refer the practical effect of the following instrument to the lead Committee for consideration—

[Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Repossession Orders\) \(Maximum Period\) Order 2012 \[draft\]](#);

and agreed to draw the attention of the Parliament to the following—

[Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Proceedings for Possession\) \(Pre Action Requirements\) Order 2012 \[draft\]](#).

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

[Teachers' Superannuation \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/70\)](#);

[Police Pensions \(Contributions\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/71\)](#);

and that no points arose on the following—

[A720 Edinburgh City Bypass and M8 \(Hermiston Junction\) \(Speed Limit\) Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/62\);](#)
[Sharks, Skates and Rays \(Prohibition of Fishing, Trans-shipment and Landing\) \(Scotland\) Order 2012 \(SSI 2012/63\);](#)
[Community Care \(Joint Working etc.\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/65\);](#)
[Community Care and Health \(Scotland\) Act 2002 \(Incidental Provision\) \(Adult Support and Protection\) Order 2012 \(SSI 2012/66\);](#)
[National Assistance \(Sums for Personal Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/67\);](#)
[National Assistance \(Assessment of Resources\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/68\);](#)
[National Health Service \(Superannuation Scheme and Pension Scheme\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/69\);](#)
[Education \(Fees, Awards and Student Support\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/72\);](#)
[National Health Service \(Optical Charges and Payments\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/73\);](#)
[National Health Service \(Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/74\);](#)
[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2012 \(SSI 2012/76\).](#)

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

[Bovine Viral Diarrhoea \(Scotland\) Order 2012 \(SSI 2012/78\).](#)

5. **Consolidation of instruments (in private):** The Committee considered its approach to the consolidation of Scottish statutory instruments and agreed to:
- ask the Scottish Government to provide an explanation of its plans for consolidation, if any, when introducing an instrument that amends another;
 - continue to encourage consolidation, as appropriate, through its regular weekly and annual reporting;
 - explore with the Scottish Government the feasibility of its publishing an informal consolidated text where available; and
 - explore with the Scottish Government the possibility of identifying areas of law where efforts to consolidate could best be targeted.

The meeting closed at 3.15 pm.

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