



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

EQUALITIES AND HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

3rd Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Thursday 31 January 2019

Present:

Alex Cole-Hamilton (Deputy Convener)	Mary Fee
Fulton MacGregor	Ruth Maguire (Convener)
Oliver Mundell	Gail Ross
Annie Wells	

The meeting opened at 9.20 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 3 in private.
2. **Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 103, 104, 105, 107, 109, 112, 113, 114 and 116

The following amendments were agreed to by division—

82 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
83 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
84 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
85 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
86 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
87 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
88 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
89 (For 5, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
102 (For 4, Against 3, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

2 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
1 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
65 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)

68 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
66 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
71 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
70 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
72 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
4 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
3 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
101 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
106 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
110 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
111 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
115 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
117 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0)

Amendment 118 was moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn.

The following amendments were not moved: 69, 67, 5, 7, 6, 9, 8, 11, 10, 13, 12, 15, 14, 17, 16, 19, 18, 21, 20, 23, 22 and 108.

Sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 20 were agreed to without amendment.

Sections 5, 7, 15, 17, 21 and 22 were agreed to as amended.

3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee considered its work programme and agreed to hold a Committee meeting in Portree, Skye on 15 March as part of its scrutiny of the Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Bill.

The meeting closed at 11.26 am.

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