

Parliamentary Bureau – Timetabling of Bill at Stage 1

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill

1. The Parliament agreed on 7 June 2023 that completion of Stage 1 consideration of the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill be extended from Friday 30 June 2023 to Wednesday 31 January 2024.
2. The Health, Social Care and Sport Committee has requested an extension to the Stage 1 deadline as it requires to make significant updates to its draft Stage 1 report due to the conclusion of a recent consensus agreement between the Scottish Government and COSLA on shared legal accountability for the proposed National Care Service. The Committee states that the extension would allow it sufficient time to consider, agree and publish its report before a Stage 1 debate on the Bill can take place. The Scottish Government is content with the requested date.

Decision

3. The Parliamentary Bureau is now invited to recommend to the Parliament that the deadline for consideration of the Bill at Stage 1 be extended to Friday 1 March 2024.

Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) Bill

4. The Parliament agreed on 15 November 2023 to designate the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee as the lead committee in consideration of the Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) Bill at Stage 1. The Committee is currently undertaking scrutiny of the Bill.

Decision

5. The Parliamentary Bureau is now invited to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 29 March 2024.

Parliamentary Business Team
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