

Parliamentary Bureau, Extension of Stage 2 Deadline

Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill

1. The Parliament agreed on 17 January 2024 that consideration of the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 9 February 2024. The Rural Affairs and Islands Committee is currently undertaking scrutiny of the Bill.
2. The Committee was due to consider stage 2 on 24 January and 7 February. Due to the travel disruption as a result of Storm Jocelyn, however, stage 2 proceedings were deferred from the 24 January meeting. The Committee will now consider stage 2 over 7 February and 21 February. As a result, the Committee will not be in a position to complete consideration of the Bill at Stage 2 by Friday 9 February.
3. Bureau members will note this request is accompanied by a request to meet at the same time as plenary proceedings on 21 February. This is in case it is not possible to complete stage 2 during the morning meeting.
4. The Parliamentary Bureau is now invited to recommend to the Parliament that the deadline for consideration of the Bill at Stage 2 be completed by Friday 23 February 2024.

Parliamentary Business Team
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