

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee
Tuesday, 25 November 2025
32nd Meeting, 2025 (Session 6)

Note by the Clerk on Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2 – Day Four

1. During this meeting, the Committee will continue Stage 2 proceedings for the Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill (“the Bill”).
2. The Committee previously considered Stage 2 amendments at its meetings on [4 November 2025](#), [11 November 2025](#), and 18 November 2025.
3. Liam McArthur MSP introduced the Bill in the Scottish Parliament on 27 March 2024.
4. Links to the [Bill and accompanying documents](#) can be found below:
 - [Terminally Ill Adults \(Scotland\) Bill](#)
 - [Explanatory Notes](#)
 - [Policy Memorandum](#)
 - [Financial Memorandum](#)
 - [Delegated Powers Memorandum](#)
 - [Statements on Legislative Competence](#)
5. The Parliament agreed to designate the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee as lead committee for scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1 on 16 April 2024. The Committee took evidence on the Bill at its meetings on the following dates:
 - [Tuesday, 5 November 2024](#)
 - [Monday, 11 November 2024](#)
 - [Tuesday, 12 November 2024](#)
 - [Tuesday, 19 November 2024](#)
 - [Tuesday, 14 January 2025](#)
 - [Tuesday, 21 January 2025](#)
 - [Tuesday, 28 January 2025](#)
 - [Tuesday, 4 February 2025](#)
6. The Committee published its [Stage 1 report](#) on the Bill on 30 April 2025.
7. The general principles of the Bill were approved at Stage 1 on 13 May 2025, following a [debate in the Chamber](#).
8. The Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) has published three briefings on the topic of assisted dying:
 - [Definitions of terminal illness in assisted dying legislation](#)
 - [Palliative care and assisted dying](#)

- [The Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults \(Scotland\) Bill and the European Convention on Human Rights](#)
9. At stage 2, MSPs can propose changes (“amendments”) to the Bill. The amendments are considered and decided on by the Committee during Stage 2 proceedings. Links to documents containing the amendments to be considered at this meeting are available on the Bill webpage below:
- [Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults \(Scotland\) Bill – Stage 2](#)

Clerks to the Committee

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