

## PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU: APPROVAL OF SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### AFFIRMATIVE INSTRUMENTS

#### [Police Negotiating Board for Scotland \(Constitution, Arbitration and Qualifying Cases\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

1. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Police Negotiating Board for Scotland (Constitution, Arbitration and Qualifying Cases) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

#### *Purpose*

2. To allow for the preparation and publication of the constitution of the Police Negotiating Board for Scotland (PNBS); the disapplication of mandatory statutory arbitration rules; and sets out those ‘qualifying cases’ that may form representations referred to arbitration.

#### *Consideration by committee*

3. At its meeting on 7 June 2023 the Criminal Justice Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 8 June 2023.

#### [Forced Marriage etc. \(Protection and Jurisdiction\) \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(Application to Civil Partnerships and Consequential Provision\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

4. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Forced Marriage etc. (Protection and Jurisdiction) (Scotland) Act 2011 (Application to Civil Partnerships and Consequential Provision) Order 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

#### *Purpose*

5. To amend part 1 of the Forced Marriage etc. (Protection and Jurisdiction) (Scotland) Act 2011 so that forced marriage protection orders can cover forced civil partnerships as well. It also amends the definition of “marriage” in the 2011 Act so it covers belief marriages as well as religious and civil marriages. The Order also amends section 28A(7) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965 in relation to the register of divorces operated by National Records of Scotland. The effect is that the references in section 28A to declarators of nullity of marriage include declarators granted by a sheriff.

*Consideration by committee*

6. At its meeting on 30 May 2023 the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 1 June 2023.

**Decision**

7. **Business Managers are invited note that the above motions will be lodged.**

8. **Business Managers should reserve their position if their party intends to speak against or oppose the motions.**

**Parliamentary Business Team  
June 2023**