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By email

Dear Huw,

Legislative consent

It was a pleasure to appear alongside you before the Scottish Parliament Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee last week.

During that session I mentioned that the House of Lords Procedure and Privileges Committee had been considering Constitution Committee recommendations on improving the visibility of legislative consent issues in the House of Lords Business document (see in particular paragraphs 138 and 139 of our report Respect and Co-operation: Building a Stronger Union for the 21st century).

The Procedure and Privileges Committee has now reported and its conclusions have been implemented. House of Lords Business now gives fuller and more prominent information about when consent is pending or contested and when it has been granted or withheld.

The full Procedure and Privileges Committee report can be found at: https://committees.parliament.uk/publications/34249/documents/188512/default/

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of the Constitution Committee