

**PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU: APPROVAL OF SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS**

**MADE AFFIRMATIVE INSTRUMENT**

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel and Operator Liability) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 5) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/359)**

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 Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel and Operator Liability) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 5) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/359) be approved.

*Purpose*

2. This instrument makes a number of primarily minor amendments. These specifically are:

- to make technical changes to update the terms of the exemption for diplomatic staff and their dependents;
- to expand the category of persons who meet the definition of “eligible vaccinated arrival” in terms of regulation 3 of the International Travel Regulations to include persons in Scotland or England who are not vaccinated for medical reasons;
- to make technical amendments which update the requirements in relation to how some individuals should complete the PLF. This relates specifically to travellers who meet the COVID-19 vaccine eligibility criteria (which means those persons are eligible vaccinated arrivals), including those who are participating in clinical trials or who are not vaccinated for medical reasons;
- to remove the requirement for passengers to provide their seat number on the PLF; and
- to make outstanding amendments that relate to the COP26 exemption in Schedule 5A.

*Consideration by committee*

3. Bureau members should note that the deadline for approving these regulations is Sunday 21 November 2021. The COVID-19 Recovery Committee will consider the regulations at its meeting on Thursday 18 November and report straight after, in order for Parliament to consider the motion to approve the instrument later that afternoon to meet the deadline. The report will be made available to Members as soon as it is published and any issues raised flagged to Business Managers.

**Decision**

4. **Business Managers are invited note that the above motion will be lodged.**
5. **Business Managers should reserve their position if their party intends to speak against or oppose the motion.**

**Parliamentary Business Team  
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