

## PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU: APPROVAL OF SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### AFFIRMATIVE INSTRUMENTS

#### [Cost of Living \(Tenant Protection\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Amendment of Expiry Date\) 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 Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act 2022 (Amendment of Expiry Date) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

#### *Purpose*

2. To extend Part 1 of the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act 2022 for a further, and final, six-month period from the end of 30 September 2023 to the end of 31 March 2024, at which time Part 1 of the Act will expire. Provisions within Part 1 include a 3% rent cap; a Prescribed Property Costs safeguard which private landlords can apply to a rent officer for increases of up to 6% to help cover certain cost increases incurred over the preceding six months; some eviction orders approved by the First-tier Tribunal not being enforceable for six months and continued application of increased damages for unlawful evictions of up to 36 months' worth of rent.

#### *Consideration by committee*

3. At its meeting on 12 September 2023 the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee agreed to recommend (by division: For 4, Against 2, Abstentions 0) that the regulations be approved. The [Committee report](#) was published on 13 September 2023.

#### **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  
September 2023**