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**Rural Affairs, Islands and
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By email only

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Dear Secretary of State,

UK Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill

At its meeting on 30 November 2022, the Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee noted the introduction of the UK Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill in the UK Parliament.

The Committee understands the UK Government is currently consulting on which aspects of retained EU law (REUL) to assimilate into domestic law before the proposed sunset clause in the Bill would take effect at the end of 2023. The Committee notes any exercise to revoke and reform REUL will have significant implications for the Scottish Parliament's legislative competence.

I would be grateful if you could provide information about how the UK Government is engaging with both the Scottish Government and Scottish stakeholders to identify which aspects of REUL should be either retained or revoked.

The Committee would welcome a response by 13 January 2023.

Yours sincerely,

Finlay Carson MSP

Convener
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