

HOUSE OF CITIZENS OF ADAMMIA

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Tuesday 29th October ACT OF PARLIAMENT – **Budget 2019** Lord Charles Michael

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP) Deputy Speaker

Order,

We move to the bill tabled in the name of Lord Michael, <u>Budget 2019</u>. There has been one amendment tabled to this bill, Amendment A, in the name of Lady Worthington: "Delete Section 1 Subsection b)".

I call the Prime Minister Lord Charles Michael to open the debate in favour of the bill and I then call the Leader of the Opposition Lady Anna Worthington to speak on Amendment A. The floor will then be open to all honourable Members. This debate shall last for 24 hours before we move to a division on Amendment A tomorrow followed by a division on the bill as a whole on Thursday.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

Are you going to keep writing one thing but secretly meaning another, Mr Deputy Speaker? Because waiting for [Lord Michael] to do his job may take forever.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

The honourable Lady is welcome to post her speech now and they will be recorded in the proper order in Hansard, as has been established before.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

Then change what you post, because it clearly states [Lord Michael] has to open the debate. It makes no sense to write that and then have a secret rule saying the opposite that was posted in the middle of a group chat.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I do not enjoy speeches being posted out of order, strictly speaking it is not in line with the Standing Orders and it is not a practice I wish to encourage. I am only permitting it right now for the convenience of certain hon. members. We can get into the business of procedural motions to suspend standing orders if the hon. Lady prefers.

At any rate, if the hon. Lady is unhappy with the amount of time the Prime Minister is taking, might I suggest that she takes that up with him rather than me. In the meantime, I have given the hon. Lady the opportunity to move her amendment now and, dare I say, that might be more productive than quibbling over procedure at this time.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

Mr Deputy Speaker, this is parliament, and based on procedure in standing orders you introduced, I am to address everything to the speaker, hence my complaint to the Prime Minister being aimed at you. The Prime Minister isn't my friend, and it hardly helps with transparency if I were to go and have a private chat with him. I'm calling him out publicly within the House of Citizens, and it's pretty outrageous in your position of Deputy Speaker that you're trying to deter me from doing so. I want it on the record that the Prime Minister is taking forever to start the debate, once again, and if I talk to him privately and then have you reorder everything in Hansard, this important information is removed.

I also think it is a matter of importance that as the deputy speaker, you're suspending standing orders without officially doing so, because as usual, you don't think the law applies to you. I'm going to follow procedure, which the supposedly impartial deputy speaker seems to think is 'quibbling' and wait for the PM.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I am happy to consider an amendment to the Standing Orders to clarify things.

Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)

[Lord Michael] needs to get his act together.

Lord Charles Michael (LMP)

Prime Minister

The Contributions Scheme doesn't work. Its needless bureaucracy that confuses the people and is utterly ineffective. It doesn't mean people can't contribute to the economy. Indeed the

government are planning a campaign to encourage and educate people on contributing to our economy without having to go through with this unwieldy, ineffective scheme - what's not to like?

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

The Lib Mods do have an entire budget outside of that one policy.

There is nothing unwieldy about collecting money off people, if it were so difficult and complicated, Sports and Societies Nights at the University of Birmingham would have been impossible to run. The contributions scheme is an entirely voluntary scheme where patriotic citizens can contribute financially to the Empire. Note, Storm MPs did this last year, presumably the unpatriotic Lib Mods don't want to be shown up for not contributing.

If it makes no money, fine, but no harm done. If it is removed, it has no chance of making money, and there seems to be no logical reason to remove a potential source of income other than an attempt to destroy a Storm legacy.

The Prime Minister hasn't bothered to mention any of the rest of the budget, but given today is the last day of October, are we going to have to wait a whole year for money to come in if this is passed, or have the Lib Mods been presumptuous about their bill passing and made arrangements already?

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

The Budget applies for the financial year from 1 October 2019 - 30 September 2020.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

Amazing answer, Mr Deputy Speaker. The Budget says that tax comes in annually in October, and we're quickly running out of October.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

No private companies owe tax for the previous financial year. The investment fund operated at a loss, and Capital Brewery is wholly publicly owned and has already paid its dividend for the past year to the Treasury.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

The Budget only lasts until September. This means there is surely no chance of money coming in until the next Parliament, whose budget may be completely different anyway.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

The Budget contains a £50 Sovereign Grant and, as I said, dividends from publicly owned

companies from the end of the last financial year have already been paid in. Also, the changes to the tax system are intended to be permanent, they will not revert to the old system once this budget expires.

Wednesday 30th October

ACT OF PARLIAMENT - Budget 2019 - Amendment A

Question: that Amendment A be made. DIVISION

The ayes to the right: 6

- Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)
- Lord Callum Gurr (STM)
- H.G. Lord Sam Maude (RGA)
- Lady Emily Simpson (RGA)
- Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)
- Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

The noes to the left: 7

- H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)
- Lord Oscar Gilmour (LMP)
- Lord Edward Hilton (LMP)
- H.I.H. Emperor Mother Jayne (LMP)
- Lord Charles Michael (LMP)
- Lady Hermione Peace (DNK)
- H.G. Lady Sophie Thornton (LMP)

Recorded abstentions: 0

Did not vote: 0

The noes had it.

Thursday 31st October ACT OF PARLIAMENT – **Budget 2019 – Procedural motion**

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

We have had a procedural motion to suspend Standing Order 3.d) for the purposes of tabling the amendment specified above ["c) A tax of £5 per month shall be applied to every owner of a top hat, the revenues of which shall be distributed equally amongst all full citizens."]. Per the Standing Orders debate on this procedural motion shall take place in the chat.

I call Lord Billy Thompson to make the case for suspending standing orders.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

The RGA likes to make an entrance and suspending standing orders shows how we are the radical

party to save the people from the aristocracy's clutches. We put forward this amendment to finally pay everyone a basic income as a citizen whilst reducing the power of the wealthy classes for the many not the few.

Plus we want to reduce space agency funding. The two amendments on top hats and space agency go together as one.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

Reduce it to what?

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

Zero.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP) Deputy Speaker

Okay, so:

"1. Add to Section 1 the following: "c) A tax of £5 per month shall be applied to every owner of a top hat, the revenues of which shall be distributed equally amongst all full citizens."

2. Delete from Section 2 Subsection b), "rocketry supplies for the Adammic Imperial Space Agency,"."

Is that acceptable?

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

Yes that's acceptable. Now let's vote this through.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

Order, debate on procedural motions lasts for two hours when opposed.

Amending procedural motions to suspend standing orders to introduce amendments, fantastic.

Now if I may, suspending standing orders to introduce an amendment whilst the division on the main motion is actually happening is, whilst not impossible, quite extraordinary. I hope that the hon. Lord will strive to introduce his amendments on time going forwards.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

The RGA always likes drama.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

That aside, the amendment proposed would raise £60 per year. Distributed evenly, that would give a UBI of £1.13 per person per year. Hardly game-changing. Furthermore, the hon. Lord has not elucidated what it is about top hats inherently, or ownership of them, that requires taxation, and specifically taxation, as opposed to, say, a ban. It is clear that the amendment targets Our Imperial Majesty. I find it amusing that the hon. Lord attempts to extract an additional £60 out of me when I have already pledged to make £50 of my own money available via the Sovereign Grant, so I already contribute far more financially to Adammia than any other citizen.

Lord Callum Gurr (STM)

£50 to control our democracy is not a bad deal.

ACT OF PARLIAMENT – Budget 2019

Question: that this House suspends Standing Order 3.d). DIVISION

The ayes to the right: 6

- Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)
- Lord Callum Gurr (STM)
- H.G. Lord Sam Maude (RGA)
- Lady Emily Simpson (RGA)
- Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)
- Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

The noes to the left: 7

- H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)
- Lord Oscar Gilmour (LMP)
- Lord Edward Hilton (LMP)
- H.I.H. Emperor Mother Jayne (LMP)
- Lord Charles Michael (LMP)
- Lady Hermione Peace (DNK)
- H.G. Lady Sophie Thornton (LMP)

Recorded abstentions: 0

Did not vote: 0

The noes had it.

Question: that this House passes the Budget 2019. DIVISION

The ayes to the right: 7

- H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)
- Lord Oscar Gilmour (LMP)
- Lord Edward Hilton (LMP)
- H.I.H. Emperor Mother Jayne (LMP)
- Lord Charles Michael (LMP)
- Lady Hermione Peace (DNK)

• H.G. Lady Sophie Thornton (LMP)

The noes to the left: 5

- Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)
- Lord Callum Gurr (STM)
- H.G. Lord Sam Maude (RGA)
- Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)
- Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Recorded abstentions: 0

Did not vote: 1

• Lady Emily Simpson (RGA)

The ayes had it.

The House adjourned until Monday 11th November.