



AN BILLE IASCAIGH (LEASÚ), 1987
FISHERIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1987

EXPLANATORY AND FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

A. Introduction

1. The purpose of this Bill is to remedy a defect in the definition of "fixed engine" which is contained in section 3 (1) of the Fisheries (Consolidation) Act, 1959.

B. Additional Exchequer Costs

2. It is not anticipated that any additional Exchequer costs will be incurred in implementing this Bill when it is enacted.

C. Detailed Provisions of Bill

3. *Section 1* inserts an amended definition of "fixed engine" (instead of the existing definition) in section 3 (1) of the Fisheries (Consolidation) Act, 1959.

Note: Both the existing definition and the amended definition of "fixed engine" are set out in paragraph 5 of this memorandum.

4. *Section 2* contains the short title and collective citation.

D. Additional Information

5. The following are the existing and the proposed amended definitions of "fixed engine":

the expression "fixed engine" means any engine, being—

- (a) a stake net, or
- (b) a bag net, or
- (c) a fixed draft net, or
- (d) a head weir, or
- (e) any net, implement, engine or device, fixed to the soil or secured by anchors or held by hand or made stationary in any other way and used solely for the purpose of taking or facilitating the taking of fish, not being a fishing weir or a fishing mill dam.

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6. The changes proposed in the amended definition are as follows:
- (i) "or secured by one or more anchors" is being inserted instead of "or secured by anchors";
 - (ii) "or by any other means" is being inserted instead of "or held by hand or made stationary in any other way"; and
 - (iii) "or a drift net" is being added to the definition.

*Roinn na Mara,
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