



AN BILLE UM BINSÍ FIOSRÚCHÁIN (LEASÚ), 2001
TRIBUNALS OF INQUIRY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001

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As initiated

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section

1. Interpretation.
 2. Amendment of Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act, 1921.
 3. Short title and collective citation.
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ACTS REFERRED TO

Criminal Procedure Act, 1967	1967, No. 12
Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act, 1921	1921, c. 7
Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Acts, 1921 and 1979	
Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) (Amendment) Act, 1979	1979, No. 3
Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1998	1998, No. 18



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BILL

entitled

5 AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRIBUNALS OF INQUIRY
(EVIDENCE) ACTS, 1921 AND 1979.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

1.—In this Act—

Interpretation.

10 “the Principal Act” means the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act,
1921;

“the Act of 1979” means the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence)
(Amendment) Act, 1979;

“the Act of 1998” means the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence)
(Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1998.

15 2.—The Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution of
the following subsections for subsections (2) and (2A) of section 1
(inserted by section 3 of the Act of 1979):

Amendment of
Tribunals of Inquiry
(Evidence) Act,
1921.

“(2) If a person—

20 (a) on being duly summoned as a witness before a tribunal,
without just cause or excuse disobeys the summons,
or

25 (b) being in attendance as a witness refuses to take an oath
or to make an affirmation when legally required by
the tribunal to do so, or to produce any document
(which word shall be construed in this subsection and
in subsection (1) of this section as including things)
in his power or control legally required by the tri-
bunal to be produced by him, or to answer any ques-
tion to which the tribunal may legally require an
30 answer, or

(c) wilfully gives evidence to a tribunal which is material to
the inquiry to which the tribunal relates and which
he knows to be false or does not believe to be true,
or

35 (d) by act or omission, obstructs or hinders the tribunal in
the performance of its functions, or