

### BILLE NA dTITHE (ÍOCAÍOCHTAÍ CÉIME) 2006 HOUSING (STAGE PAYMENTS) BILL 2006

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# BILL

entitled

## 5 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT STAGE PAYMENTS IN CONTRACTS FOR CERTAIN NEW HOUSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

**1**.—In this section unless the context otherwise requires:

Interpretation.

"Builder" means a legal person or persons engaged in either or both 10 of the construction or sale of a House or Houses for gain or reward;

"House" means a new house (which shall be deemed to include a new self contained apartment or other new dwelling) in a Scheme of Development, whether fully built or in the course of construction or intended to be built, and includes the site thereof;

15 "Purchaser" means a person purchasing a house from a builder or a person employing a builder to build a house in a Scheme of Development but does not include a person purchasing more than one house in the Scheme of Development;

"Scheme of Development" means a building scheme involving morethan one house built or to be built on land owned or controlled orto be provided at the direction of the Builder of the houses.

2.—Any provision in a contract for the sale or construction of a Contracts. House by a Builder which provides for the payment of any monies by the Purchaser, in advance of the completion of the House and the assurance thereof to the Purchaser, shall be unenforceable against the Purchaser if the payments exceed 10 per cent of the purchase price of the House.

3.—Nothing in section 2 shall operate to prevent the recovery of Variations. any sums due to a Builder in respect of works carried out to a House
30 at the express request of a Purchaser and which are additional or supplementary to the work specified in the original contract for the

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sale or construction of a House.

Short title and commencement. **4.**—(1) This Act may be cited as the Housing (Stage Payments) Act 2006.

(2) This Act shall come into effect 30 days following its enactment.