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*Leasuithe
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SECTION 2

1. In page 3, line 30, to delete “five” and substitute “3”.

—*Senator Fergal Browne.*

2. In page 3, line 30, to delete “five” and substitute “four”.

—*Senator Mary Henry.*

3. In page 3, line 30, after “years” to insert the following:

“or, in the case of a placement which has been interrupted for periods of one month or more, five years,”.

—*Senator Mary Henry.*

4. In page 4, lines 8 to 10, to delete all words from and including “a” in line 8 down to and including “time” in line 10 and substitute “the parents of the child”.

—*Senators Joanna Tuffy, Brendan Ryan, Kathleen O’Meara, Derek McDowell,
Michael McCarthy.*

5. In page 4, lines 16 to 18, to delete all words from and including “a” in line 16 down to and including “time” in line 18 and substitute “the parents of the child”.

—*Senators Joanna Tuffy, Brendan Ryan, Kathleen O’Meara, Derek McDowell,
Michael McCarthy.*

6. In page 5, between lines 18 and 19, to insert the following:

“(7) Where a consent is given under subsection (6), the foster parent or relative of the child shall inform the Health Service Executive as soon as may be reasonable.”.

—*Senator Fergal Browne.*

7. In page 5, line 30, to delete “Any” and substitute the following:

“Section 37 applies to any child who is the subject of an order under this section and in particular any”.

—*Senators Joanna Tuffy, Brendan Ryan, Kathleen O’Meara, Derek McDowell,
Michael McCarthy.*

8. In page 6, line 2, to delete “section,” and substitute “section or otherwise,”.

—*Senator Fergal Browne.*

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9. In page 6, between lines 5 and 6, to insert the following:

“(12) In this section, “missing”, in respect of a parent, means a parent who has had no contact whatsoever with either the child or the Health Service Executive for a continuous period of at least 1 year.”

—*Senator Fergal Browne.*

10. In page 6, lines 13 and 14, to delete “having custody of the child concerned at the relevant time” and substitute “of the child”.

—*Senators Joanna Tuffy, Brendan Ryan, Kathleen O’Meara, Derek McDowell, Michael McCarthy.*

11. In page 6, between lines 18 and 19, to insert the following:

“(e) a person who, in the opinion of the court, has a *bona fide* interest in the child.”

—*Senators Joanna Tuffy, Brendan Ryan, Kathleen O’Meara, Derek McDowell, Michael McCarthy.*