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**LEASUITHE COISTE
COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

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HOUSES OF THE OIREACHTAS (INQUIRIES, PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES) BILL 2013 —COMMITTEE STAGE

Leasuithe Amendments

SECTION 2

1. In page 12, line 40, after “device” to insert the following:

“including a record of phone calls to and from a landline or a mobile phone,”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

2. In page 12, line 40, after “device” to insert the following:

“and includes a transcript of phone calls to and from a landline or a mobile phone,”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 6

3. In page 16, before section 6, to insert the following new section:

“6.—A committee conducting an inquiry established under this Act shall consist of a minimum of forty per cent of members of the current Government party and a minimum of forty per cent of members of the opposition.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

4. In page 16, between lines 35 and 36, to insert the following:

“(2) A chairperson of any committee established under this Act shall be a member of the opposition.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 31

5. In page 34, subsection (1), line 3, after “The” to insert the following:

“work of the committee and establishment of its procedures and the”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 33

6. In page 34, after line 44, to insert the following:

[SECTION 33]

“(2) Two thirds of committee members shall be required to approve a final report or interim report of the committee.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 34

7. In page 36, subsection (1), between lines 2 and 3, to insert the following:

“(b) The committee shall, at any time before it gives the final report to the House, give the House three monthly interim reports in writing in accordance with rules and standing orders.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 71

8. In page 59, before section 71, to insert the following new section:

“71.—Any inquiry or committee of inquiry established under this Act shall have the power to request the Government to waive cabinet confidentiality in relation to matters being inquired into by that committee.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

9. In page 59, before section 71, to insert the following new section:

“71.—Any inquiry or committee of inquiry established under this Act shall have the power to request the Government to release legal advice received by the Government from the Attorney General in relation to matters being inquired into by that committee.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

10. In page 59, subsection (1), lines 37 to 39, to delete paragraph (a).

—*Senators David Cullinane, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh, Kathryn Reilly.*

11. In page 59, subsection (1), lines 40 to 46 and in page 60, lines 1 to 5, to delete paragraph (b).

—*Senators David Cullinane, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh, Kathryn Reilly.*

12. In page 60, subsection (1)(d), lines 13 and 14, to delete all words from and including “or” in line 13 down to and including “states” in line 14.

—*Senators David Cullinane, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh, Kathryn Reilly.*

13. In page 60, between lines 40 and 41, to insert the following subsection:

“(2) Notwithstanding anything in this section, all information necessary for the conduct of a full banking inquiry shall be given to the committee.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

Section opposed.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 72

14. In page 61, subsection (3)(a), line 21, after “her” to insert the following:

[SECTION 72]

“such declaration shall only be given with the approval of the High Court”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

15. In page 61, subsection (3)(b), line 28, after “her” to insert the following:

“such declaration shall only be given with the approval of the High Court”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

Section opposed.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 86

16. In page 69, subsection (1), lines 22 to 24, to delete paragraph (a).

—*Senators David Cullinane, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh, Kathryn Reilly.*

17. In page 69, subsection (1), lines 25 to 36, to delete paragraph (b).

—*Senators David Cullinane, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh, Kathryn Reilly.*

18. In page 69, subsection (1)(d), lines 44 and 45, to delete all words from and including “or” in line 44 down to and including “states” in line 45.

—*Senators David Cullinane, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh, Kathryn Reilly.*

Section opposed.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 87

Section opposed.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 93

19. In page 73, subsection (1), lines 38 to 42 and in page 74, lines 1 to 5, to delete paragraph (b).

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 95

20. In page 77, subsection (3), between lines 34 and 35, to insert the following:

“(a) take into consideration the date on which any proceedings were commenced.”.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 118

21. In page 89, line 15, to delete “may” and substitute “shall”.

—*Senators David Cullinane, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh, Kathryn Reilly.*

SECTION 127

Section opposed.

[*SECTION 127*]

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*

SECTION 130
Section opposed.

—*Senator Thomas Byrne.*