SEANAD ÉIREANN

AN BILLE UM THRÁCHT AR BHÓITHRE, 2016
ROAD TRAFFIC BILL 2016
LEASUITHE COISTE
COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

[No. 3 of 2016]  [26 January, 2016]
SECTION 1
1. In page 5, to delete lines 12 to 15 and substitute the following:

“(2) This Act will be commenced within 28 days of being signed by the President of Ireland.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

SECTION 4
2. In page 6, line 29, after “it” to insert “and where the drug use did not impair the person’s driving capability”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

3. In page 6, between lines 32 and 33, to insert the following:

“(1D) A person shall not drive or attempt to drive a mechanically propelled vehicle while there is present in his or her body a quantity of prescription drugs that impairs the person’s driving ability.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

SECTION 18
4. In page 15, line 18, to delete “hour,” and substitute the following:

“hour. In areas where the designated limit is 20 kilometres per hour the guidelines may specify further traffic calming measures and shared uses of road space. There shall be public consultation between the road authorities and residents of areas where the designated limit of 20 kilometres applies,.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

SECTION 20
5. In page 16, between lines 8 and 9, to insert the following:

“20. Each provider of road insurance shall publish data on premiums, awards and risk for each category of driver and vehicle and each type of insurance held, the cost of awards under both litigation and PIAB and the costs of uninsured drivers and failed insurance companies.”.
6. In page 16, between lines 11 and 12, to insert the following:

“(a) in subsection (1), by the insertion of “driving licence,” after “his or her” where it occurs.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

7. In page 16, between lines 15 and 16, to insert the following:

“(c) by inserting the following subsection after subsection (5):

“(6) Trailers and semi-trailers referred to in this section shall require a separate certificate of roadworthiness for each trailer.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

NEW SECTION

8. In page 21, after line 40, to insert the following:

“PART 6

Measures to improve vehicle safety

26. The Minister shall under the Innovation 2020 and other programmes cause to be conducted research on vehicle safety such as alcohol locking devices, vehicle immobilisation where seat belts are not worn, driver exhaustion recognition, obstacle recognition and driver distraction.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

9. In page 21, after line 40, to insert the following:

“PART 6

The improvement of road infrastructure safety

26. The Minister shall require publication of reports on road design and maintenance faults and their contribution to road deaths and injuries and the liability of road authorities for such faults.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

10. In page 21, after line 40, to insert the following:

“PART 6

Production of comprehensive road safety statistics

26. The Road Safety Authority shall in addition to data supplied by An Garda Síochána
incorporate data from hospitals, general practitioners and insurance providers in order to provide comprehensive information in particular in regard to serious road injuries not currently included in Irish road accident statistics.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.

11. In page 21, after line 40, to insert the following:

“PART 6

Commencement of road traffic legislation

26. Sections 34, 35, 36, 37, 42 and 50 of the Road Traffic Act 2010 will be commenced on the passing of this Act.”.

—Senator Sean D. Barrett.