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Leasuithe Amendments

**Government amendments are denoted by an asterisk*

***1.** In page 10, between lines 23 and 24, to insert the following:

“Amendment of section 11 of Principal Act

6. Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) in subsection (1), by the substitution of “until he or she attains the age of 72 years” for “until he reaches the age of seventy years”, and
- (b) in subsection (3), by the substitution of “on attaining the age of 72 years” for “on attaining the age of 70 years”.”.

***2.** In page 10, line 36, to delete “and”.

***3.** In page 11, line 3, to delete “section 9”.” and substitute the following:

“section 9”, and

(e) by the substitution of the following subsections for subsection (9):

“(9) Every deputy coroner appointed after the commencement of *section 6* of the *Coroners (Amendment) Act 2019* shall, unless he or she sooner dies, resigns or is removed from office or his or her appointment as deputy coroner is revoked under subsection (2), hold office until he or she attains the age of 72 years.

(10) Where a deputy coroner intends to resign or before vacating office on attaining the age of 72 years, he or she shall give notice of not less than 3 months of such intention to resign or vacation of office to the coroner for the coroner’s district concerned and to the Minister.”.”.

***4.** In page 11, between lines 3 and 4, to insert the following:

“Arrangements for coroner’s district of Dublin

7. The Principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following section after section 13:

“**13A.** (1) Notwithstanding subsection (3) of section 13, the Minister may, upon a request in writing in that behalf from a coroner for the coroner’s

district of Dublin, authorise a deputy coroner appointed by that coroner to act for that coroner—

- (a) during a period, specified in the authorisation, that ends no later than 2 years from the commencement of *section 7* of the *Coroners (Amendment) Act 2019*, and
- (b) in any circumstances (not limited to the circumstances specified in that subsection),

for the purpose of increasing the number and progress of inquiries into deaths under this Act in that district during that period.

- (2) A deputy coroner for the coroner's district of Dublin who is authorised under subsection (1) to act for a coroner for that district shall, for the period while the authorisation is in force, have all the powers and duties of the coroner for that district and he or she shall be paid in respect of that period such salary as the Minister may, with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, determine.”.”.