

# AN BILLE FÁN nGNÍOMHAIREACHT UM CHAOMHNÚ COMHSHAOIL (GINIÚINT ÉIGEANDÁLA LEICTREACHAIS) (LEASÚ), 2023 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EMERGENCY ELECTRICITY GENERATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 2023

LEASUITHE COISTE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

[No. 18 of 2023] [7 March, 2023]

### DÁIL ÉIREANN

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EMERGENCY ELECTRICITY GENERATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 2023 —COMMITTEE STAGE

Leasuithe Amendments

#### **SECTION 3**

- 1. In page 4, to delete lines 16 to 23 and substitute the following:
  - **"82D.** The Agency, in considering designated applications, shall do so in a manner consistent with the plans, strategy, framework and objectives referred to in section 15(1) of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015."."

—Jennifer Whitmore.

#### **SECTION 9**

2. In page 8, between lines 2 and 3, to insert the following:

#### "Report

- 9. (1) Within 3 months of the passing of this Act, the Minister shall report to Dáil Éireann on—
  - (a) the projects at Shannonbridge and Tarbert generating stations (or at any alternative appropriate sites), and
  - (b) the operation of the alternative assessments for these projects by the Environmental Protection Agency.
  - (2) The Minister shall further report on Government proposals to delete the relevant sections of this Act once these projects have been completed.".

-Bríd Smith.

**3.** In page 8, between lines 2 and 3, to insert the following:

#### "Report on Implementation

9. The Minister shall, within 6 months of the passing of this Act, lay a report before both Houses of the Oireachtas on the application of the provisions of this Act. This report

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shall include, but not be limited to—

- (a) the current and future status of energy security in the State, and
- (b) an analysis of the levels of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions resulting from the application of this Act.".

—Jennifer Whitmore.

**4.** In page 8, between lines 2 and 3, to insert the following:

#### "Reports

- 9. The Minister shall, within six months of the passing of this Act, commission and publish reports on—
  - (a) the level of increased demand by large energy users in the period 2017 to 2022,
  - (b) a breakdown of large energy users that participated in demand side reduction mechanisms during that period,
  - (c) a critical appraisal of existing demand side reduction strategies, and
  - (d) a comprehensive plan to ensure the prioritisation of demand side reduction measures over increased electricity generation into the future.".

—Darren O'Rourke.

- **5.** In page 8, line 8, after "provisions" to insert "and will continue in operation until 2 March 2024".
  - —Denis Naughten, Cathal Berry, Seán Canney, Peter Fitzpatrick, Noel Grealish, Michael Lowry, Verona Murphy, Matt Shanahan.
- **6.** In page 8, after line 8, to insert the following:
  - "(3) This Act shall continue in operation until 8 March 2025, unless a resolution approving the continuation of this Act has been passed by Dáil Éireann before that date and, in that event, this Act shall continue in operation until such date as is specified in the resolution."

—Jennifer Whitmore.

#### **TITLE**

- 7. In page 3, line 19, after "flora" to insert the following:
  - ", in line with the provisions as set out in the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021".

—Jennifer Whitmore.