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Section 1 – Amendment to Part X of the Child Care Act 1991

Section 1 Amends Part X of the Child Care Act 1991 by the insertion of a new section 73(A) that will make it an offence to sell (including online sale) containers of Nitrous Oxide gas to a child which may be used by that child or another child for the purposes of causing intoxication. It also gives a Garda power to seize any container in the possession of a child in a public place which the Garda has reasonable cause to believe is being misused by that child in a manner likely to cause intoxication. Provision is also made for a class C fine or 12 months imprisonment as provided for by the Fines Act 2010.

Section 2 – Short title and commencement

Section 2 provides for the short title and commencement of the Bill.

*Seán Crowe, Aengus Ó Snodaigh, Maurice Quinlivan, TD,
Márta, 2023.*