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ACT REFERRED TO

Electoral Act 1992 (No. 23)



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Bill

entitled

An Act to amend the Electoral Act 1992 to reduce the age at which a person may be registered as a European Parliament Elector, and a Local Government Elector, and to provide for related matters. 5

Be it enacted by the Oireachtas as follows:

Definition

1. In this Act, “Principal Act” means the Electoral Act 1992. 10

Amendment of section 9 of Principal Act

2. The Principal Act is amended by the substitution of the following section for section 9:

“Registration as a European elector

9. A person shall be entitled to be registered as a European elector in a constituency if, on a qualifying date, the person— 15

(a) has reached the age of sixteen years, and

(b) is ordinarily resident in the constituency area, and is either—

(i) a citizen of Ireland, or

(ii) a national of a Member State other than the State.”.

Amendment of section 10 of Principal Act 20

3. The Principal Act is amended by the substitution of the following section for section 10:

“Registration as a Local Government elector

10. A person shall be entitled to be registered as a Local Government elector in a local electoral area if, on a qualifying date, the person—

(a) has reached the age of sixteen years, and 25

(b) is ordinarily resident in the local electoral area.”.

Short title, citation, and commencement

4. (1) This Act may be cited as the Electoral (Amendment) (Voting Age) Act 2026.
- (2) This Act shall come into operation on such day or days as the Minister may appoint by order or orders either generally or with reference to any particular purpose or provision and different days may be so appointed for different purposes or different provisions. 5

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2026

BILLE

(mar a tionscnaíodh)

dá ngairtear

Acht do leasú an Achta Toghcháin, 1992 chun an aois a laghdú ag a bhféadfaidh duine a bheith cláraithe mar Thoghthóir do Pharlaimint na hEorpa, agus mar Thoghthóir Rialtais Áitiúil, agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

*Na Seanadóirí Joanne Collins, Póilín Nic an Tuile,
Maria McCormack, Críostóir Mac Aindriú, Conor
Murphy agus Nicole Ryan a thug isteach,*

10 Meitheamh, 2026

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*Introduced by Senators Joanne Collins, Pauline
Tully, Maria McCormack, Chris Andrews, Conor
Murphy and Nicole Ryan,*

10th June, 2026

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