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Purpose of Bill

The purpose of this Bill is to provide for the withdrawal of the State from European Union legislative measures comprised in the Migration and Asylum Pact of the European Union, which a majority in the Dáil and Seanad approved in June 2024, prior to the last General Election.

Provisions of Bill

Section 1 defines key terms used in the Bill.

Section 2 revokes the prior approvals given in June 2024 for the designated measures (which are listed in *section 1*). It further provides that, in accordance with *subsections (1) and (2)*, and with Article 2 of Protocol (No. 21) on the Position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice, the designated measures shall not be binding upon or applicable in the State.

In addition, it requires the Government to inform the Council of the European Union and the European Commission, forthwith upon the passing of this Bill, that the Bill has been passed, and that consequently the designated measures shall not be binding upon or applicable in the State. This would not prevent the Government from giving earlier notice of the content of the Bill to the Council or the Commission.

Section 3 provides for the short title of the Bill. The Bill would commence on the date of its passing, in accordance with section 16 of the Interpretation Act 2005.

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Meán Fómhair, 2026.

