

# REVISED (4) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

THURSDAY, 30 JULY 2020

(30 JULY 2020)

and

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RESPONSE

FRIDAY, 31 JULY 2020

(AS AGREED ON 23 JULY 2020)

### Thursday 30 July 2020 (9.30 a.m. – 11.56 p.m.) [Convention Centre Dublin]

<b>Government Business:</b>	9.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. (60 mins)
- Companies (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Covid-19) Bill 2020 [Seanad] – Second Stage (Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation)	
P.Q.s: Oral – Minister for Education and Skills	10.30 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Leaders' Questions (SF, Reg Grp, RIG, Ind Grp)	12.00 p.m. – 12.32 p.m. (32 mins)
Questions on Promised Legislation	12.32 p.m. – 1.02 p.m. (30 mins)
SOS	1.02 p.m. – 1.42 p.m. (40 mins)
<b>Government Business:</b>	1.42 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. (8 hrs 18 mins)
- Companies (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Covid-19) Bill 2020 [Seanad] – Second Stage (resumed, to conclude not later than 2.42 p.m. approx., if not previously concluded) and Remaining Stages (to conclude not later than 4 p.m., if not previously concluded)	
- Residential Tenancies and Valuation Bill 2020 – Committee and Remaining Stages (to conclude not later than 6 p.m., if not previously concluded)	
- Civil Law and Criminal Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2020 [Seanad] – All Stages (Department of Justice and Equality) (Second Stage - 2 hours; Committee and Remaining Stages to conclude not later than 9 p.m.)	
<b>Motions without debate:</b>	
Motion re establishment of Select Committees	
Motion to instruct Select Committees re their Work Programmes	
Motion re Instruction to the Special Committee on Covid-19 Response	
Motion re adoption of rotas for Leaders' Questions, Private Members' Time and Parliamentary Questions	
Motion re speaking arrangements in Dáil debates	
Weekly divisions	9.00 p.m. – 9.43 p.m. (43 mins)
<b>Government Business:</b>	
- Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills and Questions and Answers (85 mins)	
Topical Issues	11.08 p.m. – 11.56 p.m. (48 mins)
Adjournment	11.56 p.m.

### Friday 31 July 2020 (10 a.m. – 12 noon)

**Special Committee on COVID-19 Response** – see page 3 for agreed arrangements.

The proposed arrangements for the taking of business are as follows:

#### ARRANGEMENTS FOR DÁIL BUSINESS

##### **Thursday proposal no. 1 – Dáil meeting in Convention Centre Dublin and Early sitting**

- The Dáil shall meet at 9.30 a.m., and shall sit in the Convention Centre Dublin

**Thursday proposal no. 2 – Companies (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Covid-19) Bill 2020 [Seanad]**

- Second Stage, if not previously concluded, shall be brought to a conclusion after 2 hours, speeches shall not exceed 10 minutes, with a 5-minute wrap-up by a Minister or Minister of State, and any division demanded thereon shall be taken at the commencement of Committee Stage
- Committee and Remaining Stages shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion not later than 4 p.m., by one Question, which shall in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Tánaiste and Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation

**Thursday proposal no. 3 – Suspension of Sitting**

- The Suspension of Sitting under Standing Order 25 shall be taken on the conclusion of Questions on Promised Legislation under Standing Order 35

**Thursday proposal no. 4 – Residential Tenancies and Valuation Bill 2020 – Committee and Remaining Stages**

- Committee and Remaining Stages shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion not later than 6 p.m. by one Question, which shall in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government

**Thursday proposal no. 5 – Civil Law and Criminal Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2020 [Seanad] – All Stages**

- Second Stage, if not previously concluded, shall be brought to a conclusion after 2 hours, speeches shall not exceed 10 minutes, with a 5-minute wrap-up by a Minister or Minister of State, and any division demanded thereon shall be taken immediately
- Committee and Remaining Stages shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion not later than 9 p.m., by one Question, which shall in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Justice and Equality

**Thursday Proposal no. 6 ~~3~~ – Motion re establishment of Select Committees, Motion to instruct Select Committees re their Work Programmes, Motion re Instruction to the Special Committee on Covid-19 Response, Motion re adoption of rotas for Leaders' Questions, Private Members' Time and Parliamentary Questions, Motion re speaking arrangements in Dáil debates**

- Shall be taken without debate

**Thursday proposal no. 7 – Weekly Divisions**

- The Weekly Division time under Standing Order 80 shall take place on the conclusion of proceedings on the Civil Law and Criminal Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2020 [Seanad]

**Thursday proposal no. 8 – Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills and Questions and Answers**

- To be taken following the Weekly Division Time
- To conclude within 85 minutes
- Opening statement by Minister – 10 minutes
- All Opposition parties and groups – 10 minutes each;
- 5-minute response by a Minister or Minister of State

**Thursday proposal no. 9 – Private Members' Bill/Committee Report**

- No private members' Bill or motion for a Committee Report shall be taken under Standing Order 159

**Thursday proposal no. 10 – Late sitting**

- The Dáil shall sit later than 8.03 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of Topical Issues which shall be taken on the conclusion of Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills followed by Questions and Answers

**BUSINESS COMMITTEE**  
**30 JULY 2020**

## BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RESPONSE

FRIDAY, 31 JULY 2020

(AS AGREED ON 23 JULY 2020)

### Friday, 31 July 2020 (10.00 a.m.)

#### Proposed Business:

10.00 a.m. – 10.05 a.m.

Business of the Committee [*Private Session*]

10.05 a.m. – 12.00 noon

*Session 3 – Update on measures to prevent spread of Covid-19*

### ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

#### ***Business of Special Committee on Covid-19 Response on Friday, 31 July 2020***

- It is proposed, notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders-
  - o the Committee shall meet on 10.00 a.m.;
  - o public session shall consist of a single session on matters as advised to the Business Committee, which shall not exceed two hours;
- the witnesses shall be as proposed to the Business Committee.