REVISED (3) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY 29 APRIL 2021

Thursday 29 April 2021 (10:00 a.m. - 8:48 p.m.) [Convention Centre Dublin]

Government Business

10.00 a.m. - 11.50 a.m. (110 mins)

- Statements and Q&A on COVID-19 – Mental Health and Older People (Dept of Health) (110 mins)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Soc Dems, Sol-PBP, Ind Grp)

12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)

Questions on Promised Legislation

12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)

Government Business

1.04 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. (3 hrs 26 mins)

- Motion re Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794 (Dept of Justice) (to conclude within 55 mins)
- Motion re National Marine Planning Framework (Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage) (to conclude within 55 minutes)
- Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Private Security Services (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Order for Second Stage and Second Stage) (Dept of Justice)

SOS

4.30 p.m. - 4.50 p.m. (20 mins)

Government Business

4.50 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. (70 mins)

- Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Private Security Services (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Order for Second Stage and Second Stage)

Private Members' Business (Labour Party)

6.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion re A National Autism Empowerment Strategy

Topical Issues

Adjournment

8.00 p.m. - 8.48 p.m. (48 mins)

8.48 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Late sitting and adjournment

The Dáil shall sit later than 7.35 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of topical issues until 12 noon on Wednesday 5th May 2021 when it shall take Private Members' Business as the first item of business for two hours

[Please note that the Dáil sitting will commence at 12 noon on Wednesday 5th May 2021 in order to facilitate the annual Arbour Hill Commemorations]

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Statements and Q&A on COVID-19 – Mental Health and Older People

- Shall not exceed 110 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, followed by a 10-minute statement in reply by a Minister or Minister of State, provided that members may use their time for a combination of statements and questions and answers, or questions and answers only, and all members may share time
- If concluded before 12 noon, the sitting shall stand suspended until 12 noon

Thursday proposal no. 3 - Motion re Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794

- Shall be brought to a conclusion within 55 minutes, and shall be confined to a single round, with an opening speech not exceeding 10 minutes for a Minister or Minister of State, and 5 minutes each for representatives of Sinn Féin, the Labour Party, Social Democrats, Solidarity-People-Before Profit, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group, who shall be called upon in that order, followed by a speech in response by a Minister or Minister of State not exceeding 10 minutes, and all members may share time

Thursday proposal no. 4 - Motion re National Marine Planning Framework

- Shall be brought to a conclusion within 55 minutes, and shall be confined to a single round, with an opening speech not exceeding 10 minutes for a Minister or Minister of State, and 5 minutes each for representatives of Sinn Féin, the Labour Party, Social Democrats, Solidarity-People-Before Profit, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group, who shall be called upon in that order, followed by a speech in response by a Minister or Minister of State not exceeding 10 minutes, and all members may share time

Thursday proposal no. 5 – SOS

- The sitting shall be suspended for 20 minutes at 4.30 p.m., but shall not be otherwise suspended pursuant to the weekly Dáil schedule agreed by Order of the Dáil on 16th December 2020

Thursday proposal no. 6 - Oral Parliamentary Questions

No oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46 shall be taken

Thursday proposal no. 7 - Private Members' Time

- Shall be taken for 2 hours at 6 p.m.

Thursday proposal no. 8 - Topical Issues

 Topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 shall be taken on the conclusion of private members' business

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Thursday from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Labour Party - Motion re A National Autism Empowerment Strategy

NOTE RE TWO-DAY SITTING WEEK

For the information of members, the decision of the Business Committee that the Dáil sit for two days only this week, was made on the basis of health and safety advice.

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O' Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Denis Naughten, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle expressed dissent to the scheduling of the Motion re National Marine Planning Framework on Wednesday 28 April 2021 on the basis that the matter requires further discussion at the Committee on Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Deputies Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O' Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle expressed dissent in relation to the amount of time given to the Covid-19 statements.

Deputies Duncan Smith, Cian O' Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle expressed dissent in relation to the speaking arrangements adopted by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020.

DEFERRED DIVISIONS ON HAND RELATING TO A MOTION

Motion re Project Ireland 2040 - Amendment No.1 (deferred division) (Rural Ind Group)

Motion *re* Proposed Approval by Dáil Éireann of Ireland's participation in the European Defence Agency Project

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR 5TH AND 6TH MAY

Gender Pay Gap Information Bill 2019

Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021

Private Security Services (Amendment) Bill 2021 (all TBC)

INDICATIVE PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS FOR 5 TH AND 6 TH MAY	
Sinn Féin	Tbc
Social Democrats	Tbc

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