

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 21 - 23 JUNE 2022

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 16 JUNE 2022)

Tuesday 21 June 2022 (2:00 p.m. - 10:53 p.m.)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Regional Group, Rural Independent Group)	2.00 p.m. - 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Order of Business	2.34 p.m. - 3.04 p.m. (30 mins)
Motion(s) without debate	3.04 p.m. - 3.05 p.m. (1 min)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Motion <i>re</i> Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (Section 95(3)) (Variation of Title: Chiropracist) Regulations 2022 (<i>back from Committee</i>) (<i>Dept of Health</i>)- Motion <i>re</i> Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Parent's Leave and Benefit Act 2019 (Extension of Periods of Leave) Order 2022 (<i>Dept of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth</i>)- Motion <i>re</i> Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the National Archives Act 1986 (Section 1(2)(d)) Order 2022 (<i>Dept of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</i>)	
Expressions of sympathy for the late Austin Currie	3.05 p.m. - 3.50 p.m. (45 mins)
Government Business	3.50 p.m. - 6.35 p.m. (2 hours 45 mins)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Pre-European Council Statements (<i>not to exceed 110 mins</i>)- Motion <i>re</i> Opt-in to EU Proposal for a Directive on Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (<i>not to exceed 55 mins</i>) (<i>Dept of Justice</i>)	
Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)	6.35 p.m. - 8.35 p.m. (120 mins)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Motion <i>re</i> Emergency Hospital Provision and Emergency Department in Our Lady's Hospital, Navan	
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media	8.35 p.m. - 10.05 p.m. (90 mins)
Topical Issues	10.05 p.m. - 10.53 p.m. (48 mins)
Adjournment	10.53 p.m.

Wednesday 22 June 2022 (9:12 a.m. - 9:04 p.m.)

Topical Issues	9.12 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. (48 mins)
Private Members' Business (Independent Group)	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Motion <i>re</i> Respite Care Services	
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Regional Group, Rural Independent Group)	12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Policy or Legislation	12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)
SOS	1.04 p.m. - 2.04 p.m. (60 mins)

Government Business

2.04 p.m. – 8.34 p.m. (6 hrs 30 mins)

- Statements on Insurance Reform *(not to exceed 210 mins) (Dept of Finance)*
- Birth Information and Tracing Bill 2022 (Amendments from the Seanad) *(to be taken no earlier than 5.34 p.m. and to conclude within 30 mins) (Dept of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth)*
- Higher Education Authority Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages) *(to conclude within 90 mins) (Dept of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science)*
- European Arrest Warrant (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Committee and remaining Stages) *(to conclude within 60 mins) (Dept of Justice)*

Weekly Divisions

8.34 p.m. - 9.04 p.m. (30 mins)

Adjournment

9.04 p.m.

Thursday 23 June 2022 (9:00 a.m. - 7:17 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage

9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Foreign Affairs

10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, People Before Profit-Solidarity, Independent Group)

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

Questions on Policy or Legislation

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

SOS

1.04 p.m. - 1.44 p.m. (40 mins)

Government Business

1.44 p.m. - 5.14 p.m. (3 hrs 30 mins)

- Statements on LGBTQI+ Equality *(not to exceed 210 mins) (Dept of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth)*

Topical Issues

5.14 p.m. - 6.02 p.m. (48 mins)

Thursday evening business: Private Member's Bill

6.02 p.m. - 7.17 p.m. (75 mins)

- Thirty-ninth Amendment of the Constitution (Right to Vote at 16) Bill 2021 (Second Stage) *(Deputy Thomas Pringle)*

Adjournment

7.17 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Tuesday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment of the Dáil; oral PQs to the Taoiseach not to be taken

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
 - (i) expressions of sympathy for the late Austin Currie shall be taken in place of oral Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 46(1); and
 - (ii) Government business may continue after 6.12 p.m. in order to allow the Motion *re* Opt-in to the EU Proposal for a Directive Combating Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence to conclude, with consequential effect on the

commencement time for the items of business following, as well as on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Tuesday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (Section 95(3)) (Variation of Title: Chiropodist) Regulations 2022

- Shall be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 3 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Parent's Leave and Benefit Act 2019 (Extension of Periods of Leave) Order 2022

- Shall be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 4 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the National Archives Act 1986 (Section 1(2)(d)) Order 2022

- Shall be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 5 - Expressions of sympathy for the late Austin Currie

- Contributions on the expressions of sympathy for the late Austin Currie shall not exceed 2 minutes each

Tuesday proposal no. 6 - Pre-European Council Statements

- Shall not exceed 110 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a speech in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time

Tuesday proposal no. 7 - Motion *re* Opt-in to EU Proposal for a Directive on Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence

- Shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 55 minutes and the following arrangements shall apply:
 - (i) the order of speaking and the allocation of speaking times shall be as follows:
 - opening speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
 - speech by a representative of Sinn Féin - 10 minutes;
 - speeches by representatives of the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit-Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group, and the Independent Group - 5 minutes per party or group; and
 - a speech in response by a Minister or Minister of State - 5 minutes; and
 - (iii) members may share time

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment of the Dáil; oral PQs to the Taoiseach not to be taken; SOS to be taken at point when oral PQs to the Taoiseach would normally take place

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that oral Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 46(1) shall not be taken, with consequential effect on the commencement time for the SOS and for Government business

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Statements on Insurance Reform

- Shall not exceed 210 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 200 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Birth Information and Tracing Bill 2022 (Amendments from the Seanad)

- In relation to the amendments from the Seanad on the Birth Information and Tracing Bill 2022, the following arrangements shall apply:
 - (i) the item shall be taken either at 5.34 p.m. or on the conclusion of the Statements on Insurance Reform, whichever is the later; and
 - (ii) the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 30 minutes and any amendments from the Seanad not disposed of shall be decided by one question which shall be put from the Chair, and which shall, in relation to amendments to the Seanad amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Higher Education Authority Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages)

- The proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Higher Education Authority Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 90 minutes by one question which shall be put from the Chair and which shall, in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science

Wednesday proposal no. 5 - European Arrest Warrant (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Committee and remaining Stages)

- The proceedings on Committee and remaining Stages of the European Arrest Warrant (Amendment) Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion

after 60 minutes by one question which shall be put from the Chair and which shall, in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Justice

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Time for taking topical issues

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 may be taken earlier than 7.24 p.m. and shall, in any event, be taken on the conclusion of Government business, with consequential effect on the commencement time for the Thirty-ninth Amendment of the Constitution (Right to Vote at 16) Bill 2021 and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Statements on LGBTQI+ Equality

- Shall not exceed 210 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 200 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Pádraig MacLochlainn, Mattie McGrath and Cian O' Callaghan dissented in relation to lack of Statements on An Bord Pleanála. Deputy Denis Naughten dissented in relation to the lack of a broader debate on Navan Hospital.

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 27 JUNE 2022

Energy Security Bill 2022

Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by Defective Concrete Blocks Bill 2022

Assisted Decision-Making Capacity (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages)

Consumer Rights Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages)

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

30 June: Motion *re* Report entitled "Examination of the National Paediatric Hospital Development Board 2019 Financial Statements and Related Financial Matters" (*Committee of Public Accounts*)

7 July: Irish Corporate Governance (Gender Balance) Bill 2021 (*Deputy Emer Higgins*)

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