

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 11 - 13 OCTOBER 2022

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 6 OCTOBER 2022)

Tuesday 11 October 2022 (2:00 p.m. - 11:48 p.m.)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, People Before Profit-Solidarity, Regional Group)	2.00 p.m. - 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Order of Business	2.34 p.m. - 3.04 p.m. (30 mins)
Taoiseach's Questions	3.04 p.m. - 3.49 p.m. (45 mins)
Motion(s) without debate	3.49 p.m. - 3.50 p.m. (1 min)
- Motion <i>re</i> Seventeenth Report of the Committee of Selection	
Government Business	3.50 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. (3 hrs 40 mins)
- Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (to conclude within 3 hrs and 40 mins) (Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications)	
- Employment Permits Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (Dept of Enterprise, Trade and Employment)	
Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)	7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Disability Services (working title)	
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Education	9.30 p.m. - 11.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Topical Issues	11.00 p.m. - 11.48 p.m. (48 mins)
Adjournment	11.48 p.m.

Wednesday 12 October 2022 (9:12 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.)

Topical Issues	9.12 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. (48 mins)
Private Members' Business (Labour Party)	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Pay Rises for Community and Voluntary Sector Workers	
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Independent 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)
Motion(s) without debate	1.04 p.m. - 1.05 p.m. (1 min)
- Motion <i>re</i> Leave to Introduce Supplementary Estimates [Votes 29 and 40]	
SOS	1.05 p.m. - 2.05 p.m. (60 mins)
Government Business	2.05 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. (6 hrs 25 mins)
- Employment Permits Bill 2022 (Second Stage)* (Dept of Enterprise, Trade and Employment)	
- Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 (Second Stage)* (Dept of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth)	
- Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 (Second Stage)* (Dept of Justice)	

* Please note: if not previously concluded, debate shall be interrupted on any of these three Bills either four hours and 55 mins after the conclusion of the SOS or at 7 p.m., whichever is the later

- Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 (Committee and remaining Stages) (to conclude within 90 mins)

Deferred Divisions 8.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. (30 mins)
Adjournment 9.00 p.m.

Thursday 13 October 2022 (9:00 a.m. - 9:03 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Social Protection 9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, 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. - 1.44 p.m. (40 mins)

Government Business 1.44 p.m. - 7.00 p.m. (5 hrs 16 mins)

- Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 (Second Stage)

- Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 (Second Stage)

Topical Issues 7.00 p.m. - 7.48 p.m. (48 mins)

Thursday evening business: private member's Bill 7.48 p.m. - 9.03 p.m. (75 mins)

- Údarás na Gaeltachta (Amendment) Bill 2018 (Second Stage) (Deputies Peadar Tóibín, Dessie Ellis, Aengus Ó Snodaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Pearse Doherty)

Adjournment 9.03 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Tuesday proposal no. 1 - Late sitting

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
 - (i) the Dáil shall sit later than 10.30 p.m.; and
 - (ii) if not previously concluded, Government business shall only be interrupted to take private members' business on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022, or at 7.30 p.m., whichever is the later, with consequential effect on the commencement time of Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Education and topical issues

Tuesday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Seventeenth Report of the Committee of Selection

- To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 3 - Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022

- On the conclusion of the first speaking round on the Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022, a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a speech in reply, which shall not exceed 10 minutes, whereupon proceedings shall be brought to a conclusion: Provided that any division claimed on the Second Stage proceedings shall be taken on Wednesday either at 7 p.m. or four hours and 55 minutes after the conclusion of the SOS, whichever is the later

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Oral PQs to the Taoiseach not to be taken; time for voting block

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders is modified to the following extent:
 - (i) Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 46(1) shall not be taken;
 - (ii) the sitting shall be suspended pursuant to Standing Order 25(1) at the time when Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach would normally be taken; and
 - (iii) the weekly division time shall be taken on the conclusion of proceedings on the Committee and remaining Stages of the Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022, with consequential effect on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Leave to Introduce Supplementary Estimates [Votes 29 and 40]

- To be taken without debate

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Interruption of Second Stages of Government Bills

- The proceedings on any second reading motion of a Government Bill shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted either at 7 p.m. or four hours and 55 minutes after the conclusion of the SOS, whichever is the later

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022

- In relation to the Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022, the following arrangements shall apply:
 - (i) Committee and remaining Stages shall take place either at 7 p.m., or four hours and 55 minutes after the conclusion of the SOS, whichever is the later, or where a division has been claimed on the proceedings on Second Stage of the Bill, on the conclusion of any such division; and
 - (ii) the proceedings on Committee and remaining Stages 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 Environment, Climate and Communications

Thursday proposal - Time for topical issues

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that topical issues shall be taken either at 7 p.m., or on the conclusion of Government business, whichever is the earlier, with consequential effect of the commencement time for Second Stage of the Udarás na Gaeltachta (Amendment) Bill 2018 and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Referral of Bill to Select Committee

- The Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022 to be referred to the Select Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment pursuant to Standing Orders 95 and 181

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Cian O'Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett and Mattie McGrath dissented in relation to the time allotted to Committee and remaining Stages of the Electricity Costs (Domestic Electricity Accounts) Emergency Measures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022.

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK COMMENCING 18 OCTOBER 2022

- National Tourism Development Authority (Amendment) Bill 2022 – Second Stage
- Central Bank (Individual Accountability Framework) Bill 2022 – Second Stage
- Courts and Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 – Second Stage
- Regulation of Lobbying (Amendment) Bill 2022 – Second Stage
- Sex Offenders (Amendment) Bill 2021 – Report and Final Stages

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

20 October 2022: Coercion of a Minor (Misuse of Drugs Amendment) Bill 2022 (Second Stage)
(Deputy Denise Mitchell)

27 October 2022: Mental Health (Capacity to Consent to Treatment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage)
(Deputy Johnny Mythen)

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7 October 2022