

REVISED (3) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 7 - 8 DECEMBER 2022

Wednesday 7 December 2022 (9:12 a.m. – 11.30 9.30 p.m.)

Topical Issues	9.12 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. (48 mins)
Private Members' Business (Social Democrats)	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Teacher Shortages	
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, Rural Independent Group, 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)
- Motions for Supplementary Estimates for Public Services [Votes 5, 12, 13, 14, 17, 26, 32, 33, 38 and 45] (<i>Dept of Public Expenditure and Reform</i>)	
- Health Insurance (Amendment) Bill 2022 – Motion for a Financial Resolution (<i>any division claimed to be taken immediately prior to Committee and remaining Stages of the Bill on Wednesday</i>) (<i>Dept of Health</i>)	
Government Business	1.05 p.m. - 2.55 p.m. (110 mins)
- Statements pre-European Council meeting of 15 – 16 th December 2022, pursuant to Standing Order 124 (<i>not to exceed 110 mins</i>)	
SOS	2.55 p.m. - 3.55 p.m. (60 mins)
Government Business	3.55 p.m. – 11.00 8.55 p.m. (7 hrs)
- Motion to Instruct the Committee on the Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 (<i>to conclude within 60 minutes and any division claimed to be taken immediately prior to Report Stage</i>) (<i>Dept of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth</i>)	
- Health Insurance (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Committee and remaining Stages) (<i>to be taken no earlier than 5 p.m. and to conclude within 60 minutes</i>) (<i>Dept of Health</i>)	
- Patient Safety (Notifiable Patient Safety Incidents) Bill 2019 (Report and Final Stages) (<i>to conclude within 2 hours</i> <i>if not previously concluded, to adjourn after 4 hours</i>) (<i>Dept of Health</i>)	
- Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages) (<i>to conclude within 60 minutes</i>) (<i>Dept of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth</i>)	
Deferred Divisions	11.00 9.00 p.m. – 11.30 9.30 p.m. (30 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the terms of the Comprehensive Agreement in the field of Air Transport between the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the European Union (<i>Dept of Transport</i>)	
Adjournment	11.30 9.30 p.m.

Thursday 8 December 2022 (9:00 a.m. – 8.22 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Health	9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine	10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, People Before Profit-Solidarity, Regional 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. – 6.19 p.m. (4 hrs 35mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the opt-in under Article 3 of Protocol 21 to the TFEU (to conclude within 55 minutes) (Dept of Justice)	
- Water Environment (Abstractions and Associated Impoundments) Bill 2022 [<i>Seanad</i>] (Second Stage) (to conclude at the end of the first round and any division claimed to be taken immediately prior to Committee Stage) (Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage)	
Topical Issues	6.19 p.m. – 7.07 p.m. (48 mins)
Private Member's Bill	7.07 p.m. – 8.22 p.m. (75 mins)
- Dublin Bay Bill 2021 (Second Stage) (Deputy Ivana Bacik)	
Adjournment	8.22 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Time for Government business and weekly division time

- The ordinary routine of business as set out in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
 - (i) the Dáil shall sit later than 9.30 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of the weekly division time, which may be taken after 8.45 p.m. and shall, in any event, be taken on the conclusion of proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022: Provided that Government business may continue after 8.45 p.m. in order to allow the proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022 to conclude; and
 - (ii) Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 46(1) shall not be taken, and the SOS shall be taken on the conclusion of Statements pre-European Council of 15th – 16th December 2022, pursuant to Standing Order 124, which shall be taken at the time when Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach would normally be taken

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Patient Safety (Notifiable Patient Safety Incidents) Bill 2019

- The proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Patient Safety (Notifiable Patient Safety Incidents) Bill 2019 shall, if not previously concluded, stand adjourned after 4

~~hours and shall not be resumed this evening be brought to a conclusion after 2 hours 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 Health~~

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2022

- The proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Work Life Balance and Miscellaneous Provisions 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 Children, Disability, Equality, Integration and Youth

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Time for topical issues

- The ordinary routine of business as set out in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders is modified to the extent that topical issues shall be taken on the conclusion of Government business, whichever is the earlier, with consequential effect on the commencement time for Second Stage of the Dublin Bay Bill 2021 and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the opt-in under Article 3 of Protocol 21 to the TFEU

- The Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the opt-in under Article 3 of Protocol 21 to the TFEU *re* extension of the interim period during which the UK may derogate from the obligation to delete Passenger Name Record data of passengers after their departure from the UK 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 allocation of time shall be as follows:
 - opening speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
 - speech by 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
 - (ii) members may share time

Thursday proposal no. 3 - Water Environment (Abstractions and Associated Impoundments) Bill 2022 [*Seanad*]

- On conclusion of the first speaking round on Second Stage of the Water Environment (Abstractions and Associated Impoundments) Bill 2022 [*Seanad*], a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a speech in reply, which shall not exceed 10 minutes, whereupon proceedings on Second Stage shall be brought to a conclusion; Provided that any division claimed shall be taken immediately prior to Committee Stage of the Bill

Proposal in relation to Thursday, 15th December, 2022 – Priority Questions

- Notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders, the number of Questions nominated for priority pursuant to Standing Order 49 that may be taken on Thursday 15th December, 2022, shall be increased to six, and the sixth question shall be allocated to the Labour Party, with the time for Questions to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications accordingly extended for 6 minutes

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Pádraig MacLochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O’Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle dissented in relation to the time afforded to Report and Final Stages of the Work Life Balance (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 ~~and the Patient Safety (Notifiable Patient Safety Incidents) Bill 2019 and the use of the guillotine.~~

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK COMMENCING 12 DECEMBER

- Appropriation Bill 2022 (All Stages)
- Planning and Development and Foreshore (Amendment) Bill 2022 [*Seanad*] (All Stages)
- Assisted Decision-Making Capacity (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Amendments from the *Seanad*)
- Water Environment (Abstractions and Associated Impoundments) Bill 2022 [*Seanad*] (Committee and remaining Stages)
- Statements on Social Housing Income Eligibility Thresholds and Defects in Housing

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

15 December 2022: Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) (Amendment) (Pets) Bill 2021
(Second Stage) (*Deputy Verona Murphy*)

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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