

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 24 - 26 JANUARY 2023

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 19 JANUARY 2023)

Tuesday 24 January 2023 (2:00 p.m. - 11:34 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)

Motion(s) without debate 3.04 p.m. - 3.05 p.m. (1 mins)

- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity (*Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage*)

- Motion *re* Further Revised Estimate [Vote 42] (*Dept of Public Expenditure and Reform*)

- Motion *re* Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Dáil Reform on Orders of Reference for Special Committee on Assisted Dying

Taoiseach's Questions 3.05 p.m. - 3.50 p.m. (45 mins)

Government Business 3.50 p.m. - 7.10 p.m. (3 hrs 20 mins)

- Statements and Q&A by Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform (*not to exceed 57 mins*)

- Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (*to adjourn, if not previously concluded, after 2 hrs and 23 mins*) (*Dept of Health*)

Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin) 7.10 p.m. - 9.10 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion *re* Forestry (working title)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Finance 9.10 p.m. - 10.46 p.m. (96 mins)

Topical Issues 10.46 p.m. - 11.34 p.m. (48 mins)

Adjournment 11.34 p.m.

Wednesday 25 January 2023 (9:12 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.)

Topical Issues 9.12 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. (48 mins)

Private Members' Business (Rural Independent Group) 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion *re* Inshore Fishing (working title)

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 mins)

- Motion *re* Membership of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission

Taoiseach's Questions 1.05 p.m. - 1.50 p.m. (45 mins)

SOS	1.50 p.m. - 2.50 p.m. (60 mins)
Government Business	2.50 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. (5 hrs 40 mins)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022 (Second Stage, resumed, if not previously concluded) <i>(to adjourn, if not previously concluded, after 2 hrs and 10 mins)</i> - Motion to Instruct the Committee on the Communications Regulation Bill 2022 <i>(to conclude within 60 mins and any division claimed to be taken immediately prior to Report Stage of the Bill)</i> (Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications) - Communications Regulation Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages) <i>(if not previously concluded, to adjourn after 2 hrs and 30 mins)</i> (Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications) 	
Deferred Divisions	8.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. (30 mins)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motion <i>re</i> Measures to Increase Capacity in the Health Service (Amdt No. 3 - Govt) 	
<i>Adjournment</i>	9.00 p.m.

Thursday 26 January 2023 (8:54 a.m. - 8:08 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media	8.54 a.m. - 10.24 a.m. (90 mins)
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage	10.24 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (96 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. - 6.05 p.m. (4 hrs 21 mins)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Statements on Ireland's Forestry Strategy <i>(not to exceed 210 mins)</i> (Dept of Agriculture, Food and the Marine) - Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022 (Second Stage, resumed, if not previously concluded) 	
Topical Issues	6.05 p.m. - 6.53 p.m. (48 mins)
Private Members' Bill	6.53 p.m. - 8.08 p.m. (75 mins)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parental Bereavement Leave (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage) <i>(Deputy Réada Cronin)</i> 	
<i>Adjournment</i>	8.08 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.;
- (ii) the time at which Government business is interrupted shall be in accordance with the arrangements for the Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022, which shall have consequential effect on the commencement time for private members' business and oral Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Finance; and
- (iii) the time for Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Finance shall be extended by six minutes, with consequential effect on the commencement time for topical issues

Tuesday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity

- To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 3 - Motion *re* Further Revised Estimate [Vote 42]

- To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 4 - Motion *re* Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Dáil Reform on Orders of Reference for Special Committee on Assisted Dying

- To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 5 - Statements and Q&A by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform

- The Statements and Q&A by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform shall not exceed 57 minutes, and the contributions shall consist of an opening statement by the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform which shall not exceed 10 minutes, followed by 6 minutes each for Opposition parties and groups for questions and answers, and the Minister shall be called upon to make a statement in response which shall not exceed 5 minutes

Tuesday proposal no. 6 – Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022

- In relation to the proceedings on the second reading motion on the Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022, the following arrangements shall apply:

- (i) if not previously concluded, the proceedings shall be interrupted and stand adjourned either at 7.10 p.m. or after 2 hours and 23 minutes of debate, whichever is the later; and
- (ii) the proceedings shall not be resumed on Tuesday

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Weekly division time

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that the weekly division time shall be taken on the adjournment or conclusion of Report and Final Stages of the Communications Regulation Bill 2022, whichever is the earlier, with consequential effect on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Membership of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission

- To be taken without debate

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022

- The proceedings on the resumed second reading motion of the Human Tissue (Transplantation, Post-Mortem, Anatomical Examination and Public Display) Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, stand adjourned either at 5 p.m. or after 2 hours and 10 minutes of debate, whichever is the later, and shall not be resumed on Wednesday

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Motion to Instruct the Committee on the Communications Regulation Bill 2022

- The Instruction to Committee Motion on the Communications Regulation Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 60 minutes, and shall be confined to a single speaking round, with the contributions of a Minister and of a spokesperson for Sinn Féin, the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group, and the Independent Group (which shall be taken in that order) not exceeding 7.5 minutes each, and members may share time; Provided that any division claimed shall be taken immediately prior to Report Stage of the Bill, but in any event, no earlier than 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday proposal no. 5 - Communications Regulation Bill 2022

- The proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Communications Regulation Bill 2022 shall—
 - (i) be taken on the conclusion of proceedings on the motion to instruct the Committee on the Bill, but in any event, no earlier than 5.30 p.m.,
 - (ii) if not previously concluded, be interrupted at either 8.30 p.m. or 2 hours and 30 minutes after the conclusion of proceedings on the motion to Instruct the Committee, whichever is the later, and
 - (iii) shall not be resumed on Wednesday

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Early sitting, time for topical issues and adjournment

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
 - (i) the Dáil shall meet at 8.54 a.m.;
 - (ii) the time for Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage shall be extended by six minutes; and
 - (iii) topical issues shall be taken either at 6.05 p.m. or on the conclusion of Government business, whichever is the earlier, with consequential effect on the commencement time for Second Stage of the Parental Bereavement Leave (Amendment) Bill 2021 and for the adjournment of the Dáil

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Statements on Ireland's Forestry Strategy

- The Statements on Ireland's Forestry Strategy 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

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK COMMENCING 30 JANUARY 2023

- Post European Council Statements
- Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages)
- Central Bank (Individual Accountability Framework) Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages)

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

2 February 2023: Motion *re* Report entitled “Report on Summer Programme 2023” (Joint Committee on Autism)

16 February 2023: Health (Amendment) (Dual Diagnosis: No Wrong Door) Bill 2021 (Second Stage)
– *Deputy Mark Ward*

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