REVISED (1) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 7 - 9 MARCH 2023

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 2 MARCH 2023)

Tuesday 7 March 2023 (2:00 p.m. - 11:48 p.m.)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Independent Group, Rural Independent Group)

Order of Business

2.00 p.m. - 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)

2.34 p.m. - 3.04 p.m. (30 mins)

Motion(s) without debate

3.04 p.m. - 3.05 p.m. (1 min)

- Motion *re* Referral to Joint Committee of proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Employment Equality Act 1998 (Section 12) (Reservation of Vocational Training Places) Order 2022 (Dept of Education)
- Motion re Amendment of Orders of Reference of the Joint Committee on Autism
- Motion *re* amendment of the referral to Committee of the proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2022 (Section 4(2)) (Scheme Termination Date) Order 2023 (Dept of Children, Disability, Equality, Integration and Youth)
- Motion re 21st Report of the Committee of Selection and Appointment of Committee Cathaoirligh
- Motion re Committee consideration of Estimates for Public Services 2023

Taoiseach's Questions 3.05 p.m. - 3.50 p.m. (45 mins) **Government Business** 3.50 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. (3 hrs 40 mins)

- Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023 (Second Stage) (to conclude at the end of the first round and any division claimed to be taken immediately prior to Committee Stage of the Bill on Wednesday) (Dept of the Environment, Climate and Communications)

Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)	7.30 p.m 9.30 p.m. (120 mins)
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- Motion re High Energy Costs

Tonical Issues

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Finance 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 8 March 2023 (9:12 a.m. - 8:44 p.m.)

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Private Members' Business (Rural Independent Group)	10.00 a.m 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion re Protection of Cash as Legal Tender	
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, Regional Group, Independent Group)	12.00 p.m 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)

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Questions on Policy or Legislation 12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)

Taoiseach's Questions 1.04 p.m. - 1.49 p.m. (45 mins)

SOS 1.49 p.m. - 2.49 p.m. (60 mins)

Government Business

2.49 p.m. - 8.14 p.m. (5 hrs 25 mins)

- Statements on International Women's Day (not to exceed 145 mins) (Dept of Children, Disability, Equality, Integration and Youth)

- Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023 (Committee and remaining Stages) (to be taken no earlier than 5 p.m. and to conclude within 3 hours)

Deferred Divisions 8.14 p.m. - 8.44 p.m. (*30 mins*)

Adjournment 8.44 p.m.

Thursday 9 March 2023 (9:00 a.m. - 6:12 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine	9.00 a.m 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage	10.30 a.m 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, 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 4.09 p.m. (145 mins)

- Statements on the Irish Language to mark Seachtain na Gaeilge (not to exceed 145 mins) (Dept of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media)

Topical Issues 4.09 p.m. - 4.57 p.m. (48 mins)

Thursday evening business: Private Members' Bill 4.57 p.m. - 6.12 p.m. (75 mins)

- Education (Inspection of Individual Education Plans for Children with Special Needs) Bill 2022

Adjournment 6.12 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Tuesday proposal no. 1 - Late sitting

(Second Stage) (Deputy Pauline Tully)

- 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) the time for Government business shall be extended for the purpose of allowing Second Stage of the Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023 to conclude, with consequential effect on the

commencement time for private members' business, Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Finance, and topical issues

Tuesday proposal no. 2 - Motion re Referral to Joint Committee of proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Employment Equality Act 1998 (Section 12) (Reservation of Vocational Training Places) Order 2022

• To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 3 - Motion *re* Amendment of Orders of Reference of the Joint Committee on Autism

• To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 4 - Motion *re* amendment of the referral to Committee of proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2022 (Section 4(2)) (Scheme Termination Date) Order 2023

• To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 5 – Motion *re* 21st Report of the Committee of Selection and Appointment of Committee Cathaoirligh

• To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 6 – Motion *re* Committee consideration of Estimates for Public Services 2023

• To be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 7 - Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023

• On Second Stage of the Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023, on the conclusion of the first speaking round in accordance with the arrangements agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, 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 on the Second Stage proceedings shall be taken immediately prior to Committee Stage of the Bill on Wednesday

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 conclusion of the proceedings on the Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity

Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023, with consequential effect on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Statements on International Women's Day

 The Statements on International Women's Day shall not exceed 145 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 135 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 - Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023

 The proceedings on Committee and remaining Stages of the Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023 shall be taken no earlier than 5 p.m. and shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 3 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 the Environment, Climate and Communications

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment of the Dáil

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
 - (i) topical issues shall be taken on the conclusion of Government business, with consequential effect on the commencement time for the Education (Inspection of Individual Education Plans for Children with Special Needs) Bill 2022 and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil; and
 - (ii) the Dáil on its rising shall adjourn until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 21st March, 2023

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Statements on the Irish Language to mark Seachtain na Gaeilge

The Statements on the Irish Language to mark Seachtain na Gaeilge shall not exceed 145 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 135 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, Duncan Smith, Cian O'Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Denis Naughten, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle dissented to the scheduling of the Environmental Protection Agency (Emergency Electricity Generation) (Amendment) Bill 2023 on Tuesday and Wednesday and the use of a guillotine on the Bill

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK COMMENCING 21ST MARCH

- Finance Bill 2023
- Health (Amendment) Bill 2023
- Pre-European Council Statements

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

23 March 2023: Housing (Standards for Rented Houses) Bill 2020 (Second Stage) – *Deputy Eoin Ó Broin*

30 March 2023: Taisceadán (Valuable Property Register) Bill 2019 (Second Stage) – *Deputy Martin Kenny*

20 April 2023: Safe Deposit Boxes and Related Deposits Bill 2022 (Second Stage) – *Deputy Éamon Ó Cuív*

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

3 March 2023