

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 3 - 4 MAY 2023

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 27 APRIL 2023)

Wednesday 3 May 2023 (2:00 p.m. - 8:18 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 min)

- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Social Welfare (Consolidated Claims, Payments and Control) (Amendment) (No. 2) (Qualifying Conditions) Regulations 2023 (*Dept of Social Protection*)
- Motion *re* Referral to Committee of the Planning and Development Act (Exempted Development) Regulations 2023 (*Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage*)
- Motion *re* Twenty-Fourth Report of the Committee of Selection
- Motions for Further Revised Estimates for Public Services 2023 [Votes 38 and 40] (*back from Committee*) (*to be moved together and decided by one question*) (*Dept of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform*)

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

Government Business 3.50 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. (1 hr 40 mins)

- Construction Safety Licensing Bill 2023 (Second Stage) (*if not previously concluded, to be interrupted and stand adjourned at either 5.30 p.m. or 1 hr and 40 mins after the conclusion of Taoiseach's Questions, whichever is the later*) (*Dept of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science*)

Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin) 5.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. (2 hrs)

- Motion *re* Cost-of-Living Measures (working title)

Topical Issues 7.30 p.m. - 8.18 p.m. (48 mins)

Adjournment 8.18 p.m.

Thursday 4 May 2023 (10:30 a.m. - 7:18 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Transport 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)

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)

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

Government Business 1.44 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. (2 hrs 46 mins)

- Construction Safety Licensing Bill 2023 (Second Stage, resumed, if not previously concluded)

Private Members' Business (Regional Group) 4.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion *re* Disability Transport Services (working title)

Topical Issues

6.30 p.m. - 7.18 p.m. (48 mins)

Adjournment

7.18 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Time for Government business

- The ordinary routine of business as set out in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
 - (i) Government business shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned at either 5.30 p.m. or 1 hour and 40 minutes after the conclusion of Taoiseach's Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46(1), whichever is the later, with consequential effect on the commencement time for private members' business; and
 - (ii) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 34A(1), oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46(1) to a Minister other than the Taoiseach shall not be taken and topical issues shall be taken on the conclusion of private members' business, with consequential effect on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Social Welfare (Consolidated Claims, Payments and Control) (Amendment) (No. 2) (Qualifying Conditions) Regulations 2023

- To be taken without debate

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Motion *re* Referral to Committee of the Planning and Development Act (Exempted Development) Regulations 2023

- To be taken without debate

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Motion *re* Twenty-Fourth Report of the Committee of Selection

- To be taken without debate

Wednesday proposal no. 5 - Motions for Further Revised Estimates for Public Services 2023 [Votes 38 and 40] (back from Committee)

- To be moved together and decided without debate by one question, which shall be put from the Chair

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Arrangements for business

- 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 10.30 a.m.;
 - (ii) in accordance with the Order of the Dáil of 25th April, 2023, oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46(1) shall be answered for not more than 90 minutes and by a Minister or Ministers from one Government department only;
 - (iii) no private member's Bill pursuant to Standing Order 102 or motion for a Committee report pursuant to Standing Order 160 shall be taken;
 - (iv) private members' business pursuant to Standing Order 159(1) and Standing Order 169 shall be taken for two hours as the second-last item of business; and
 - (v) topical issues shall be on the conclusion of private members' business and the Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion of topical issues

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Construction Safety Licensing Bill 2023

- If not previously concluded, the proceedings on the resumed Second Stage of the Construction Safety Licensing Bill 2023 shall be interrupted and stand adjourned at 4.30 p.m.

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Pádraig MacLochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O'Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Denis Naughten and Mattie McGrath dissented to the time scheduled for the Regional Group's private members' business on Thursday.

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK COMMENCING 9th MAY

- Statements on Europe Day
- Statements on the European Year of Skills 2023
- Civil Defence Bill 2023 (Report and Final Stages)

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

11 May 2023: Tairiscint maidir le Tuarascáil dar teideal *"An Comhaontas Cuimsitheach Eacnamaíoch agus Trádála agus an tionchar a bheadh aige ar an nGaeilge, ar an nGaeltacht agus ar Phobal Labhartha na Gaeilge"* – Comhchoiste na Gaeilge, na Gaeltachta agus Phobal Labhartha na Gaeilge

18 May 2023: Motion *re* Committee Report entitled “*Issues impacting Dog Welfare in Ireland*” – *Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food*

25 May 2023: Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) (Amendment) Bill 2023 – *Deputy Bríd Smith*

1 June 2023: Motion *re* Committee Report entitled “*Lessons from the Architects of the Good Friday Agreement*” – *Joint Committee on the Implementation of the Good Friday Agreement*

15 June 2023: Flood Insurance Bill 2021 – *Deputy John Brady*

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