REVISED (3) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 9 & 10 MARCH 2022

Wednesday 9 March 2022 (9:12 a.m. – 11.25 10.15 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 re flexible working

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Regional Group, 12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)

Independent Group)

SOS

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

Bill for introduction: 1.04 p.m. - 1.09 p.m.

- Education (Admission to Schools) (Co-Education) Bill 2022 (First Stage)

Motion(s) without debate 1.09 p.m. - 1.10 p.m. (1 mins)

- Motion re Supplementary Estimate for Public Services [Vote 29] (Considered by Select Committee)

Taoiseach's Questions 1.10 p.m. - 1.55 p.m. (45 mins) SOS 1.55 p.m. - 2.55 p.m. (60 mins)

Government Business 2.55 p.m. – 10.55 9.45 p.m. *approx.* (8

hrs 55 mins

- Motion *re* Ireland's opt-in to EU measure on extending the list of EU Crimes under Article 83 TFEU to include hate crime and hate speech (*to conclude within 110 minutes*) (*Dept of Justice*)

- Finance (Covid-19 and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (Dept of Finance)
- Consumer Credit (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (Dept of Finance)
- Consumer Protection (Regulation of Retail Credit and Credit Servicing Firms) Bill 2021 (Report and Final Stages) (to be taken no earlier than 7.30 p.m.) (Dept of Finance)
- Financial Motion by the Minister for Finance (to conclude within 140 75 minutes) (Dept of Finance)

Weekly Divisions 10.55-9.45 p.m. – 11.25 10.15 p.m.

approx. (30 mins)

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

(to be taken on the conclusion of the Financial Motion by the Minister for Finance

Adjournment 11.25-10.15 p.m. approx.

Thursday 10 March 2022 (9:00 a.m. - 7:18 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Defence	9.00 a.m 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Education	10.30 a.m 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Regional Group, Rural Independent Group)	12.00 p.m 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Promised Legislation	12.34 p.m 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)

Government Business

1.44 p.m. - 5.15 p.m. (3 hrs 31 mins)

- Finance (Covid-19 and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2022 (Second Stage, resumed)

- Consumer Credit (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Second Stage)

Topical Issues 5.15 p.m. - 6.03 p.m. (48 mins)

Private Members' Bill 6.03 p.m. - 7.18 p.m. (75 mins)

- Education (Voluntary Contributions) Bill 2021 (Second Stage)

Adjournment 7.18 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Wednesday proposal no. 1 – Late sitting

• The Dail shall sit later that 9.30 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of the weekly division time which shall take place on the conclusion of the Financial Motion by the Minister for Finance: Provided that in the event there are no deferred divisions, the Dail shall adjourn on the conclusion of the Financial Motion by the Minister for Finance

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Motion re Supplementary Estimate for Public Services [Vote 29]

• Shall be taken without debate

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Proposal for a Council Decision on adding hate speech and hate crime to the areas of crime laid down in Article 83(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union

• The Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Proposal for a Council Decision on adding hate speech and hate crime to the areas of crime laid down in Article 83(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 110 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a speech in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Interruption of business to take Report and Final Stages of the Consumer Protection (Regulation of Retail Credit and Credit Servicing Firms) Bill 2021

On Wednesday, proceedings on any second reading motion on a Government Bill shall, if
not previously concluded, be interrupted either two hours and 50 minutes after the
conclusion of the Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Proposal for a

Council Decision on adding hate speech and hate crime to the areas of crime laid down in Article 83(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, or at 7.30 p.m., whichever is the later

Wednesday proposal no. 5 - Consumer Protection (Regulation of Retail Credit and Credit Servicing Firms) Bill 2021 (Report and Final Stages)

 Report and Final Stages of the Consumer Protection (Regulation of Retail Credit and Credit Servicing Firms) Bill 2021 shall be taken either on the adjournment of proceedings on the second reading motion on a Government Bill two hours and 50 minutes after the conclusion of the Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Proposal for a Council Decision on adding hate speech and hate crime to the areas of crime laid down in Article 83(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, or at 7.30 p.m., whichever is the later

Wednesday proposal no. 6 – Financial Motion by the Minister for Finance

- In relation to the Financial Motion by the Minister for Finance, notwithstanding Tuesday's
 Order of Business, the following arrangements shall apply:
 - (i) any division claimed on the business proposal for the Financial Motion shall be taken on the conclusion of proceedings on the Consumer Protection (Regulation of Retail Credit and Credit Servicing Firms) Bill 2021;
 - (ii) the Financial Motion shall be taken on the conclusion of the Consumer Protection (Regulation of Retail Credit and Credit Servicing Firms) Bill 2021, or on the conclusion of any division claimed on the business proposal for the Financial Motion, as appropriate, and shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 140 75 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 135 minutes, save that the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People Before Profit-Solidarity, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group shall each have an additional minute and members may share time-the contributions shall be as follows:
 - (i) the opening speech of a Minister or Minister of State and the speech of a representative of Sinn Féin shall not exceed 15 minutes in each case;
 - (ii) the speeches of representatives of all other parties and groups in Opposition shall not exceed 7.5 minutes in each case; and
 - (iii) members may share time

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment of the Dáil

 The Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Education (Voluntary Contributions) Bill 2021 until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 22nd March, 2022

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Topical Issues

• Topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 shall be taken on the conclusion of Government business or at 5.15 p.m., whichever is the earlier

Thursday proposal no. 3 - Education (Voluntary Contributions) Bill 2021 (Second Stage)

Second Stage of the Education (Voluntary Contributions) Bill 2021 shall be taken on the
conclusion of topical issues, with arrangements as provided for in Standing Order 160,
save that the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a
conclusion after 75 minutes

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Padraig MacLochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O'Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett and Denis Naughten dissented to the scheduling of Government legislation that has not been published.

Deputies Duncan Smith, Cian O' Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Denis Naughten, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle dissented to the arrangements on the Financial Motion by the Minister for Finance.

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

24 March 2022: Planning and Development (Protect Social Housing) Bill 2020 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Chris Andrews*)

31 March 2022: Housing (Adaptation Grant for People with a Disability) Bill 2021 (Second Stage) (Deputy Pauline Tully)

7 April 2022: Wildlife (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage) (Deputy Jennifer Whitmore)

28 April 2022: Electricity Regulation (Amendment) (Prohibition of Winter Disconnections) Bill 2021 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Darren O'Rourke*)

BUSINESS COMMITTEE, 9 March 2022