



Sarah O'Farrell
Clerk to the Committee
Committer of Public Accounts

(Sent by email: pac@oireachtas.ie)

22 September 2023

Re: Laying of MBRS and RSA Accounts

Dear Sarah,

I am writing in relation to the laying before the Oireachtas of the 2022 audited financial statements for the Medical Bureau of Road Safety and the Road Safety Authority.

As set out in Circular 2021/24, where presentation to the Government is not required, Government Departments should lay the audited financial statements of bodies under their aegis before the Oireachtas within two months of receiving such statements. I wish to advise that this two-month deadline was missed in respect of both the Medical Bureau of Road Safety and the Road Safety Authority this year. Specifically:

- The Department received the 2022 audited financial statements for the Medical Bureau of Road Safety on 7 June 2023. The Minister for Transport approved the financial statements for laying before the Oireachtas on 19 September 2023 and they were subsequently laid alongside the 2022 annual report on 20 September 2023.
- The Department received the 2022 audited financial statements for the Road Safety Authority on 30 June 2023. The Minister for Transport approved the financial statements for laying before the Oireachtas on 12 September 2023 and they were subsequently laid alongside the 2022 annual report on the same date.

I regret that the deadlines set out in Circular 2021/24 were not met in the above instances. My colleagues and I will endeavour to ensure compliance with the reporting timelines in future.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Tomás Campbell'.

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