



# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS AND DÁIL REFORM

*Amendments to Standing Orders relating  
to remote participation in Committee meetings*

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Adopted by the Committee  
31 May 2021

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## Proposed amendments to Standing Orders

The Committee on Standing Orders and Dáil Reform has agreed, pursuant to Standing Order 118A(2)(a), to recommend the following changes to Standing Orders:

(a) in Standing Order 106, to insert the following paragraph after paragraph (3):

‘(4) Members may participate in a meeting of a Standing, Select or Special Committee by means of such specified videoconferencing platform as may be approved and provided by the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission: Provided that, where the meeting is in public, a member may so participate only from within the parliamentary precincts; Provided further that participation in divisions by means of such platform shall not be permitted, whether the Committee is in public or in private session.’, and

(b) in Standing Order 107, to delete paragraph (3).

The Committee on Standing Orders and Dáil Reform recommends to Dáil Éireann that the Standing Orders of Dáil Éireann relative to Public Business be amended accordingly.