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### **HOUSES OF THE OIREACHTAS**

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

**ANNUAL REPORT 2022** 

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### 1. Content and Format of Report

This report has been prepared pursuant to Standing Order 89 (3), (4), (5) and (6) (Dáil Éireann) and Standing Order 76 (3), (4), (5) and (6) (Seanad Éireann) which provide for the Joint Committee to-

- undertake a review of its procedure and its role generally;
- prepare an annual work programme;
- lay minutes of its proceedings before both Houses;
- make an annual report to both Houses.

At its meeting on the 1 March 2023, the Joint Committee agreed that all these items should be included in this report covering the period from January to December 2022.

### 2. Establishment and Functions

### 2.1. Establishment of the Select Committee

The Dáil Select Committee was established by Order of Dáil Éireann of the 30 July 2020, to consider Bills, Estimates for Public Services, Motions, and the terms of any international agreement involving a charge on public funds, which come within the aegis of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

The Select Committee may also consider Annual Output Statements, Value for Money Reviews and Policy Reviews prepared by the relevant Government Department.

### 2.2 Establishment of the Joint Committee

The Dáil Select Committee, under the same Order, was enjoined with a Select Committee of Seanad Éireann, established by Order of Seanad Éireann of the 18 September 2020, to form the Joint Committee on Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

### 2.3 Functions of the Joint Committee

Among the principal functions of the Joint Committee are to consider—

- public affairs administered by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment;
- matters of policy for which the Tánaiste and Minister Leo Varadkar are responsible;
- legislative and expenditure proposals of the Department;
- EU legislative proposals;
- certain matters relating to bodies under the aegis of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

The Orders of Reference of the Dáil Select Committee and the Joint Committee are set out at *Appendix 1*.

## 3. Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Membership

Dáil SO 93(2) provides for a proportion of Chairs to be allocated to each group by means of the D'Hondt System. Deputy Maurice Quinlivan was appointed as Chairman of the Select Committee on 8 September 2020 by an Order of Dáil Éireann. The Chairman of the Select Committee is also the Chairman of the Joint Committee.

Membership of the Committee, including all internal changes within the reported period, is listed at *Appendix 2*.

## 4. Meetings, Attendance and Recording

Meetings of the Joint Committee and Select Committee and took place in the Committee rooms in Leinster House 2000. Meetings were in public unless otherwise

ordered by the Committee. Meetings of the Joint Committee in Private Session took place on-line.

Committee proceedings were broadcast live within Leinster House and also made available to RTE, TV3 and TG4. Proceedings were also webcast making them available worldwide on the internet. Since September 2014 the proceedings of Committees in public session, typically recorded but occasionally live, are broadcast on the dedicated parliamentary channel Oireachtas TV which is available on these channels:

- Saorview 22, Sky 517, Virgin Media 207, eir Vision 504
- Vodaphone Channels 217, 207 and 208

An Official Report (Parliamentary Debates) of the public meetings of the Committee may be viewed on the Houses of the Oireachtas website at <a href="https://www.oireachtas.ie">www.oireachtas.ie</a>.

Copies of other reports published by the Joint Committee are also available on the Oireachtas Committee website pages at <a href="https://www.oireachtas.ie">www.oireachtas.ie</a>. See also paragraph 7.

### 5. Number and Duration of Meetings

### **5.1** Joint Committee

The Joint Committee met privately three times in 2022. The meeting was held online in order to reduce the number of corporeal meetings during the Covid Pandemic.

The Joint Committee met on 31 occasions during the period under report. The number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was in excess of 50 hours. In relation to all meetings, Members and Witnesses were also facilitated to attend these online and/or other measures were taken in order to minimise health risks during the Covid-19.

The subject matter of each meeting of the Joint Committee, including the groups, organisations or individuals who attended the meetings, is detailed in Appendix 3. The Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Committee in public session are attached at Appendix 4.

### 5.2 Select Committee

The Dáil Select Committee met 7 times during the period under report and the number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was over ten hours.

The subject matter of each meeting, including the groups, organisations or individuals who attended the meetings of the Select Committee, is detailed in *Appendix 5.* The proceedings (Imeachtaí) of the Select Committee are attached at *Appendix 6.* 

## 6. Witnesses attending before the Committee(s)

During the period, the number of speaking witnesses for the Joint Committee was 128.

During the period, the number of speaking witnesses for the Select Committee was 7.

## 7. Committee Reports Published

During the period under report, the Joint Committee published eight reports:

- Report on the Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the General Scheme of the Sick Leave Bill 2021: February 2022
- Work Programme: May 2022
- Annual Report 2021, Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment: May 2022

- Report on Detailed Scrutiny of the Working from Home (Covid-19)
   Bill, 2020 (Private Members' Bill): June 2022
- Report on the Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the General Scheme of the Right to Request Remote Work Bill, 2022: July 2022
- Report on the Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the General Scheme of the Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill, 2022: July 2022
- Report on the Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the General Scheme of the Representative Actions for the Protection of the Collective Interests of Consumers Bill, 2022: December 2022
- Report on the Unified Patent Court
   Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Report on
   the Unified Patent Court, December 2022

### 8. Travel

The Joint Committee undertook the following travel - in accordance with its Orders of Reference - in connection with its Work Programme:

Purpose of travel: To take part in a discussion with MLAs in respect of

offshore wind energy generation/ enterprise, trade and employment at Department of Foreign Affairs Residence, and to receive a tour and presentation of

the wind energy facilities at Belfast Harbour

Date and Destination: 22 September 2022, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Members travelling: Deputy Maurice Quinlivan

Deputy Francis Noel Duffy

Deputy Louise O'Reilly

Deputy Matt Shanahan

**Deputy David Stanton** 

## 9. EU Mainstreaming

### 9.1 Legislative Proposals

From January 2022 to December 2022, the Joint Committee considered EU matters at **12** meetings involving consideration of **38** proposals. The Joint Committee decided that **1** proposal, listed below, should be further scrutinised.

No Reasoned opinions or Political Contributions were submitted.

PROPOSAL NO.	PROPOSAL TITLE
COM (2022) 71	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence and amending Directive (EU) 2019/1937

## 10. Report on Functions and Powers

The Joint Committee is currently satisfied with its present procedures and role.

Maurice Quinlivan T.D.

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Cathaoirleach

### **APPENDIX 1: Orders of Reference**

- a) Scope and Context of Activities of Committees (derived from Standing Orders
   DSO 84, SSO 70)
  - The Joint Committee may only consider such matters, engage in such activities, exercise such powers and discharge such functions as are specifically authorised under its orders of reference and under Standing Orders:
  - 2) Such matters, activities, powers and functions shall be relevant to, and shall arise only in the context of, the preparation of a report to the Dáil/and or Seanad:
  - 3) The Joint Committee shall not consider any matter which is being considered, or of which notice has been given of a proposal to consider, by the Committee of Public Accounts pursuant to Standing Order 186 and/or the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act 1993;
  - 4) The Joint Committee shall not consider any matter which is being considered, or of which notice has been given of a proposal to consider, by the Joint Committee on Public Petitions in the exercise of its functions under Standing Order 111A; and The Joint Committee shall refrain from inquiring into in public session or publishing confidential information regarding any matter if so requested, for stated reasons given in writing, by—
    - (i) a member of the Government or a Minister of State, or
    - (ii) the principal office-holder of a body under the aegis of a Department or which is partly or wholly funded by the State or established or appointed by a member of the Government or by the Oireachtas:

Provided that the Chairman may appeal any such request made to the Ceann Comhairle, whose decision shall be final.

5) It shall be an instruction to all Select Committees to which Bills are referred that they shall ensure that not more than two Select Committees shall meet to consider a Bill on any given day, unless the Dáil, after due notice given by the Chairman of the Select Committee, waives this instruction on motion made by the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 28. The Chairmen of Select Committees shall have responsibility for compliance with this instruction.

## b) Functions of Departmental Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 84A and SSO 70A)

- (1) The Select Committee shall consider and report to the Dáil on-
  - (a) such aspects of the expenditure, administration and policy of a Government Department or Departments and associated public bodies as the Committee may select, and
  - (b) European Union matters within the remit of the relevant Department or Departments.
- (2) The Select Committee may be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann for the purposes of the functions set out in this Standing Order, other than at paragraph (3), and to report thereon to both Houses of the Oireachtas.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Select Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments, such—
  - (a) Bills,
  - (b) proposals contained in any motion, including any motion within the meaning of Standing Order 187,
  - (c) Estimates for Public Services, and
  - (d) other matters

as shall be referred to the Select Committee by the Dáil, and

- (e) Annual Output Statements including performance, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of public moneys, and
- (f) such Value for Money and Policy Reviews as the Select Committee may select.
- (4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Joint Committee may consider the following matters in respect of the relevant Department or Departments and associated public bodies:
  - (a) matters of policy and governance for which the Minister is officially responsible,
  - (b) public affairs administered by the Department,
  - (c) policy issues arising from Value for Money and Policy Reviews conducted or commissioned by the Department,
  - (d) Government policy and governance in respect of bodies under the aegis of the Department,

- (e) policy and governance issues concerning bodies which are partly or wholly funded by the State or which are established or appointed by a member of the Government or the Oireachtas,
- (f) the general scheme or draft heads of any Bill
- (g) any post-enactment report laid before either House or both Houses by a member of the Government or Minister of State on any Bill enacted by the Houses of the Oireachtas,
- statutory instruments, including those laid or laid in draft before either House or both Houses and those made under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009,
- (i) strategy statements laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas pursuant to the Public Service Management Act 1997,
- (j) annual reports or annual reports and accounts, required by law, and laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas, of the Department or bodies referred to in subparagraphs (d) and (e) and the overall performance and operational results, statements of strategy and corporate plans of such bodies, and
- (k) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Dáil from time to time
- (5) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Joint Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments—
  - (a) EU draft legislative acts standing referred to the Select Committee under Standing Order 114, including the compliance of such acts with the principle of subsidiarity,
  - (b) other proposals for EU legislation and related policy issues, including programmes and guidelines prepared by the European Commission as a basis of possible legislative action,
  - (c) non-legislative documents published by any EU institution in relation to EU policy matters, and
  - (d) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the relevant EU Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings.
- (6) Where the Select Committee has been joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann, the Chairman of the Dáil Select Committee shall also be the Chairman of the Joint Committee.
- (7) The following may attend meetings of the Select or Joint Committee, for the purposes of the functions set out in paragraph (5) and may take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:
  - (a) members of the European Parliament elected from constituencies in Ireland, including Northern Ireland,

- (b) members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and
- (c) at the invitation of the Committee, other members of the European Parliament.
- (8) The Joint Committee may, in respect of any Ombudsman charged with oversight of public services within the policy remit of the relevant Department or Departments, consider—
  - (a) such motions relating to the appointment of an Ombudsman as may be referred to the Committee, and
  - (b) such Ombudsman reports laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas as the Committee may select: Provided that the provisions of Standing Order 111F apply where the Select Committee has not considered the Ombudsman report, or a portion or portions thereof, within two months (excluding Christmas, Easter or summer recess periods) of the report being laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas.

## c) Powers of Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 85, 114 and 116 and SSO 71, 107 and 109)

The Joint Committee has:-

- (1) power to take oral and written evidence and to print and publish from time to time minutes of such evidence taken in public before the Select Committee together with such related documents as the Select Committee thinks fit;
- (2) power to invite and accept oral presentations and written submissions from interested persons or bodies;
- (3) power to appoint sub-Committees and to refer to such sub-Committees any matter comprehended by its orders of reference and to delegate any of its powers to such sub-Committees, including power to report directly to the Dáil;
- (4) power to draft recommendations for legislative change and for new legislation;
- (4A) power to examine any statutory instrument, including those laid or laid in draft before either House or both Houses and those made under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009, and to recommend, where it considers that such action is warranted, whether the instrument should be annulled or amended;
- (4B) for the purposes of paragraph (4A), power to require any Government Department or instrument-making authority concerned to submit a Memorandum to the Select Committee explaining any statutory instrument under consideration or to attend a meeting of the Select Committee for the purpose of explaining any such statutory instrument: Provided that such Department or authority may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil:
- (5) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee to discuss policy for which he or she is officially responsible: Provided that a member of the Government or Minister of State may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil: and provided further that a member of the Government or Minister of State may request to attend a meeting of the Select Committee to enable him or her to discuss such policy;
- (6) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee to discuss proposed primary or secondary legislation (prior to such legislation being published) for which he or she is officially responsible: Provided that a member of the Government or Minister of State may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil: and provided further that a member of the Government or Minister of State may request to attend a meeting of the Select Committee to enable him or her to discuss such proposed legislation;

- (6A) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee and provide, in private session if so requested by the member of the Government or Minister of State, oral briefings in advance of meetings of the relevant EU Council of Ministers to enable the Select Committee to make known its views: Provided that the Committee may also require such attendance following such meetings:
- (6B) power to require that the Chairperson designate of a body or agency under the aegis of a Department shall, prior to his or her appointment, attend before the Select Committee to discuss his or her strategic priorities for the role;
- (6C) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State who is officially responsible for the implementation of an Act shall attend before a Select Committee in relation to the consideration of a report under Standing Order 164A;
- (7) subject to any constraints otherwise prescribed by law, power to require that principal office-holders in bodies in the State which are partly or wholly funded by the State or which are established or appointed by members of the Government or by the Oireachtas shall attend meetings of the Committee, as appropriate, to discuss issues for which they are officially responsible: Provided that such an office-holder may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil;
- (8) power to engage, subject to the consent of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission, the services of persons with specialist or technical knowledge, to assist it or any of its sub-Committees in considering particular matters; and
- (9) power to undertake travel, subject to—
  - (a) such recommendations as may be made by the Working Group of Committee Chairmen under DSO 108(2)(a) and SSO 104(2); and
  - (b) the consent of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission, and normal accounting procedures.
- (10) In accordance with Articles 6 and 8 of Protocol No. 2 to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (*Protocol on the Application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality*) as applied by sections 7(3) and 7(4) of the European Union Act 2009, the Committee has the power to-
  - (a) consider whether any act of an institution of the European Union infringes the principle of subsidiarity (DSO 116; SSO 109); and
  - (b) form a reasoned opinion that a draft legislative act (within the meaning of Article 3 of the said Protocol) does not comply with the principle of subsidiarity (DSO 114 and SSO 107).

## **APPENDIX 2: Membership of the Committee**

List of Members of the Joint Committee

(The Select Committee membership comprises of Deputies only)

### **Deputies**

Maurice Quinlivan (SF)

Cathoirleach

Richard Bruton (FG)

Francis Noel Duffy (GP)

Joe Flaherty (FF)

Paul Murphy (S-PBP)

James O'Connor (FF)

Louise O'Reilly (SF)

Matt Shanahan (Ind)

David Stanton (FG)

### **Senators**

Garret Ahearn (FG)

Ollie Crowe (FF)

Róisín Garvey (GP)

Paul Gavan (SF)

Marie Sherlock (Lab)

### Notes:

- 1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 8 September 2020.
- 2. Deputy Maurice Quinlivan was appointed as Chair on 8 September 2020.
- 3. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 25 September 2020.
- 4. Deputy James O'Connor replaced Deputy Niamh Smyth on 26 November 2020.

### Notes:

- 1. Deputies nominated by the Dáil Committee of Selection and appointed by Order of the Dáil of 16 June 2020.
- 2. Senators nominated by the Seanad Committee of Selection and appointed by Order of the Seanad on 22 July 2020.

## **APPENDIX 3: Meetings of the Joint Committee**

The following are the details, in date order, of the scheduled meetings of the Joint Committee which took place during the period under report.

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J51 26 January 2022	The strategy of IDA Ireland, its targets, achievements and projected future progress.	IDA Ireland, participated online Mr Martin Shanahan, CEO of IDA Ireland Ms Mary Buckley, Executive Director Mr Denis Curran, Divisional Manager Ms Breda O'Sullivan, Manager.
J52 31 January 2022	Private Session	No witnesses
J53 9 February 2022.	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Working Bill, 2022	Officials from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Mr. Dermot Mulligan, Assistant Secretary, Workplace Relations and Economic Migration Ms. Wendy Gray, Principal Officer, Employment Rights Policy Unit Mr. Mark Doheny, Employment Rights Policy Unit
J54 16 February 2022	The development of indigenous Irish enterprise	Enterprise Ireland and National Local from Enterprise Ireland Mr. Leo Clancy, Chief Executive Officer Paul McKeown, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Director Carol Gibbons, Divisional Manager with responsibility for Regions and Local Enterprise from the Network of Local Enterprise Offices – Mr Padraic McElwee, Chair Mr Oisin Geoghegan, former Chair

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J55 2 March 2022	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Working Bill, 2022	Ibec represented by Ms Maeve McElwee, Director of Employer Relations Ms Nichola Harkin, Head of Employment Law Services  ICTU represented by Ms Patricia King, General Secretary Dr Laura Bambrick, Social Policy Officer
J56 3 March 2022	Engagement with European Union Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights Mr Nicolas Schmit	No witnesses
J57 9 March 2022	The Impact of Brexit on Trade in Ireland	From InterTrade Ireland (by remote connection to the meeting): Ms Margaret Hearty, CEO Ms Kerry Curran Ms Deirdre Maguire  From the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Mr John Hughes Ms Anne Coleman-Dunne Ms Fiona Kilcullen (remote) Mr Andrew Colgan
J58 23 March 2022	Fuel cost issues and pricing practices relating to fuel	Competition and Consumer Protection Commission Mr Jeremy Godfrey Mr Brian McHugh Ms Grainne Griffin Mr Seán Murphy

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J59 30 March 2022	Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022	Officials from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Mr John Newham, Assistant Secretary, Commerce, Competition and Consumer Division Mr John Maher, Principal Officer, Company Law Enforcement and Personal Injuries Policy Unit Ms Anne Barrett, Assistant Principal Officer, Company Law Enforcement and Personal Injuries Policy Unit
J60 27 April 2022	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Work Bill 2022	From Grow Remote Ms Joanne Mangan, Employers Lead From Glofox Mr Finn Hegarty, Chief Product Officer
J61 11 May 2022	Waiver of intellectual property protection in the context of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights as it relates to COVID-19 vaccines	From Oxfam Ireland Mr Jim Clarken, Chief Executive Maynooth University, Department of Law Professor Aisling McMahon Médecins Sans Frontières Mr Dimitri Eynikel, Access Campaign EU Policy Advisor St Vincent's University Hospital Dr Christine Kelly From Irish Pharmaceutical Healthcare Association Mr Oliver O'Connor, Chief Executive BioPharmaChem Ireland Mr Matt Moran, Director Ms Nessa Fennelly, Senior Executive
J62 18 May 2022	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Working Bill 2022	From the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment-  Mr Dermot Mulligan, Assistant Secretary Ms Áine Maher, Principal Officer Mr Mark Doheny, Assistant Principal Officer

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J63 25 May 2022	Workplace Relations (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2021 – Waiver of pre- legislative scrutiny.	Department of Enterprise, Trade & Employment Ms. Tara Walsh Ms. Áine Maher
J64 14 June 2022	Private meeting	No witnesses
J65 15 June 2022	Discussion of Offshore and Renewable Energy with Wind Energy Ireland	From the Wind Energy Ireland- Mr Noel Cunniffe - CEO of Wind Energy Ireland.  Mr Justin Moran - Director of External Affairs with Wind Energy Ireland.  Ms Vanessa O'Connell - Head of Inis Offshore Wind and Vice-Chairperson of Offshore Supply-Chain Working Group
		Mr Kieran Ivers - CEO, Green Rebel
J66 22 June 2022	Engagement on the issue of European Work Councils and related Irish legislation.	The Brussels European Employee Relations Group — Mr Tom Hayes — Executive Director and Ms. Lisa McKeon, EMEA Employee Relations Senior Manager with Oracle Corporation  SIPTU — Mr. Gerry McCormack, Deputy General Secretary and Mr. Denis Sheridan EWC Expert
J67 29 June 2022	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Representative Actions for the Protection of the Collective Interests of Consumers Bill 2022.	Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.  Ms Clare McNamara, Principal Officer, Competition and Consumer Policy Unit Mr Paul Brennan, Assistant Principal Ms Sadhbh McGrath, Administrative Officer

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J68 6 July 2022	Detailed Scrutiny of the Companies (Protection of Employees' Rights in Liquidation) Bill 2021	Irish Congress of Trade Unions: Mr Liam Berney, Industrial Officer Mr Gerry Light, General Secretary, Mandate  From Ibec: Ms Maeve McElwee, Director of
		Employer Relations Ms Pauline O'Hare, Senior Employment Law Manager
J69 13 July 2022	Unified Patent Court	Ibec Mr Aidan Sweeney, Ibec Head of Enterprise and Regulatory Affairs Mr Naoise Gaffney, Chair of the IP Corporate IP Group, and Vice President of IP, GH Research Ireland
J70 14 September 2022	Pre-legislative scrutiny of the general scheme of the Representative Actions for the Protection of the Collective Interests of Consumers Bill, 2022.	From the Law Society of Ireland:  Mr Philip Andrews, McCann FitzGerald LLP, Partner, Head of EU, Antitrust & Telecom From Competition and Consumer Protection Commission: Mr Jeremy Godfrey, Chairperson, Síona Ryan, Director of Policy & International, Robert Dunne, Deputy Director of Legal Services.  From the Consumers' Association of Ireland: Mr Michael Kilcoyne, Chairman (attending remotely), Mr Raymond O'Rourke, Vice-Chairman, Mr Dermott Jewell, Policy & Council Advisor.

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J71 28 September 2022	The cost of living - minimum wage increase and Low Pay Commission report	Low Paid Commission: Mr Ultan Courtney, Chair of the Low Pay Commission
		Ms Claire Pyke, Assistant Principal Officer, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment (Secretariat to the Low Pay Commission) Mr Oisín Gilmore, Administrative Officer, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment (Secretariat to the Low Pay Commission)
		From Mandate Trade Union:
		Mr Gerry Light, General Secretary for Mandate Trade Union Mr Jonathan Hogan Assistant General Secretary for Mandate Trade Union Mr Jim Fuery Divisional Organiser for the Dublin North Division
J72 5 October 2022	Engagement with the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise,	Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Deputy Leo Varadkar, T.D.
	Trade and Employment regarding an update on Quarter	Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Mr John Newham, Assistant Secretary
	1 and Quarter 2 matters relating to the Department	Ms Tara Coogan, Principal Officer Ms Jill Colquhoun, Assistant Principal
J73 12 October	The cost of living - minimum wage	Irish Congress of Trade Unions:
2022	increase and Low Pay Commission report. (2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting)	Dr Laura Bambrick, Head of Social Policy and Employment Affairs Mr Liam Berney, Industrial

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J74 19 October 2022	Further Scrutiny of EU legislative proposal (COM 2022) 71 - Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence	Ms Mary Lawlor, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders; and Mr Ed O'Donovan, Special Advisor to the UN Special Rapporteur. From the Irish Coalition for Business and Human Rights:
		Dr Rachel Widdis, School of Law Trinity College / Europe, the Middle East and Africa Director at Article One; Caoimhe de Barra, Trócaire CEO and Chair of the Irish Coalition for Business and Human Rights; and Sorcha Tunney, Irish Coalition for Business and Human Rights Coordinator
J75 26 October 2022	Motion on Draft Regulations made under section 60(6) of the Data Protection Act 2018	Minister of State for Trade Promotion, Digital and Company Regulation, Dara Calleary TD.  Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment:  Ms Tara Keane and Ms Orla O'Brien.
J76 9 November 2022	Current issues affecting trade in Ireland, the supports available to businesses and matters affecting indigenous enterprise with small and medium enterprises	Enterprise Ireland:  Mr Leo Clancy, Chief Executive Officer Ms Carol Gibbons, Divisional Manager, Regions & Local Enterprise Mr Donal Leahy, Department Manager, Strategic Policy  Also attending the Room was:  Ms Emma Jane Hade Mr Conor O'Donovan

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J77	The challenges facing	Family Business Network:
16 November 2022	small businesses	Mr John McGrane, Executive Director Ms Ellen Kehoe, Chief Development Officer Mr Aidan Finnegan, Policy and Public Affairs Manager
		From the Convenience Stores and Newsagents Association: Mr Vincent Jennings, Chief Executive Officer Mr Derek Moran, National Executive Ms Flora Crowe, CSNA Member (online)
		From the Retail Grocery Dairy & Allied Trades Association: Ms Tara Buckley, Director General Mr Colin Fee, RGDATA President Ms Rachel Twomey, RGDATA Director (online) Mr Padraig Broderick, RGDATA Director (online) Ms Annie Timothy, RGDATA Director (online) Ms Leona Pender, RGDATA Director (online)
J78 23 November 2022	The challenges facing the technology sector	From the Industrial Development Agency:
		Ms Mary Buckley, Interim CEO Mr Donal Travers, Divisional Manager Technology, Content Consumer and Business Services Mr Tommy Fanning, Department Manager Strategic Policy
		From Technology Ireland: Ms Una Fitzpatrick, Director Mr Erik O'Donovan, Head of Digital Policy, Ibec
J79 28 November 2022	Private Session	No witnesses

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J80 7 December 2022	Further Scrutiny of EU legislative proposal (COM 2022) 71 - Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence	From the Law Society:  Mr Conor Linehan SC, Solicitor, Environmental and Planning Law Committee.  From the Institute of Directors Ireland:  Ms Caroline Spillane Chartered Director, Chief Executive Officer, Institute of Directors Ireland Ms Karen Hennessy Chartered Director, Institute of Directors Ireland Member, and Chief Executive, Real Leaf Farm Ms Anne Mannion, Head of Marketing and Communications, Institute of Directors Ireland.
J81 14 December 2022	Pre-legislative Scrutiny of the Co-operative Societies Bill 2022	From the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment:  Mr John Shine, Principal Officer Ms Teodora Corcoran, Assistant Principal; and Ms Caroline Kiernan, Higher Executive Officer

## **APPENDIX 4: Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Committee**

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 26 January 2022 in CR1 Minutes

### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.31 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending were:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), and participating online through *MS Teams* were –

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Louise O' Reilly, Joe Flaherty and Matt Shanahan.
- Senators: Marie Sherlock, Roisin Garvey, and Ollie Crowe.

Deputy David Stanton and Senator Garret Ahearn participated in the meeting room.

Apologies were received from Senator Paul Gavan.

## 2 The strategy of IDA Ireland, its targets, achievements and projected future progress.

The Chair welcomed representatives from the IDA Ireland, who participated online, -

- Mr Martin Shanahan, CEO of IDA Ireland
- Ms Mary Buckley, Executive Director
- Mr Denis Curran, Divisional Manager
- Ms Breda O'Sullivan, Manager.

Following the opening statement by Mr Shanahan, a discussion ensued with members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

### 3 EU proposals

At its last meeting, the Committee completed considered, in Private Session, a number of EU proposals under Schedule B. Today the Committee confirmed the proposals for no further scrutiny. They were:

- o COM (2019) 151
- o COM (2021) 27
- o COM (2021) 215-
- o COM (2021) 217

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.53 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 4 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of 15 December.

Item 5 discussed in private session Item 6 discussed in private session

Item 7 discussed in private session

### 8 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 12.22 pm until the next meeting of the Joint Committee in Public Session at 9.30 am Wednesday 9 February, 2022. The Select Committee meets next Wednesday the 2 February for Revised Estimates Private Meeting).

Maurice Quinlivan, T.D., Cathaoirleach

9 February, 2022

Juni Bile

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Monday, 31 January, 2022, 9.30 am Private Session (MS Teams) Minutes

### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Private Session online on *MS Teams* at 9.32 am, a Quorum being present.

### Attending were:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), and-

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Paul Murphy, David Stanton John O'Connor
- Senators Garret Ahearn, Ollie Crowe, Roisin Garvey, Paul Gavan, Marie Sherlock.

Apologise: None received

Item 2 discussed in private session

### 3 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 11.25 am Sine Die.

A meeting of the Select Committee was scheduled for 9:30 am on Wednesday, 2 February (Estimates 2022).

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

9 February 2022

Januar Dinle

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 9 February 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.30 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending were:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), and participating online through *MS Teams* were –

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Paul Murphy, David Stanton, Louise O' Reilly, and Matt Shanahan.
- Senators: Roisin Garvey, and Ollie Crowe.

Senators Marie Sherlock and Garret Ahearn participated in the meeting room. Senator Emer Currie also attended the meeting room.

No Apologies were received.

## 2 Launch of Committee Report – Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Sick Leave Bill 2021

The Committee noted the Report was being published on that day and there would be a photo on the Plinth at 12.30pm to mark the release of the report.

### 3 Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Working Bill, 2022

The Chair welcomed representatives from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment -

- Mr. Dermot Mulligan, Assistant Secretary, Workplace Relations and Economic Migration
- Ms. Wendy Gray, Principal Officer, Employment Rights Policy Unit
- Mr. Mark Doheny, Employment Rights Policy Unit

Following the opening statement by the Department, a discussion ensued with members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.20 am on *Microsoft Teams* 

### 3 Minutes

Members approved the minutes of 26 and 31 January.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

### 6 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 11.53 am until the next meeting of the Joint Committee in Public Session at 9.30 am Wednesday 16 February, 2022.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janui Dile

16 February, 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 16 February 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.31 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending were:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), and participating online through *MS Teams* were –

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, David Stanton and Paul Murphy.
- Senators: Garret Ahearn, Roisin Garvey, and Ollie Crowe.

Deputy Louise O'Reilly participated in the meeting room.

Apologies were received from Deputy Matt Shanahan.

### 2 The development of indigenous Irish enterprise

The Chair welcomed representatives –

- from Enterprise Ireland and National Local from Enterprise Ireland
  - o Mr. Leo Clancy, Chief Executive Officer
  - Paul McKeown, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Director
  - Carol Gibbons, Divisional Manager with responsibility for Regions and Local Enterprise
- from the Network of Local Enterprise Offices
  - o Mr Padraic McElwee, Chair
  - Mr Oisin Geoghegan, former Chair

Following opening statements, a discussion ensued with members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 12.03 pm on *Microsoft Teams*.

### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of 9 February.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

### 6 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 12.07pm until the next meeting of the Joint Committee on 2 March, when the Committee will give further consideration to the Right to Request Remote Working Bill, 2022.

The <u>Select Committee</u> will consider the Redundancy Payments (Amendment) Bill, 2022 with the Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Mr Damian English, TD, on Wednesday, 23 February at 9.30 am.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janai Dile

2 March, 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 2 March 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.31 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending were:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), and participating online through *MS Teams* were –

- Deputies Richard Bruton, David Stanton Matt Shanahan and Paul Murphy.
- Senators Garret Ahearn, Paul Gavan, and Ollie Crowe.

Deputy Louise O'Reilly and Senator Marie Sherlock participated in the meeting room.

No apologies have been received.

### 2 Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Working Bill, 2022

The meeting heard from -

- Ibec represented by
  - Ms Maeve McElwee, Director of Employer Relations
  - Ms Nichola Harkin, Head of Employment Law Services
- ICTU represented by
  - Ms Patricia King, General Secretary
  - Dr Laura Bambrick, Social Policy Officer

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with members.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 12.03 pm on *Microsoft Teams*.

### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of 16 February.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

### 6 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 12.16pm until the next meeting of the Joint Committee on 3 March, when the Committee will meet with EU Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights, Mr Nicolas Schmit.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Smusi Bile

9 March, 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Thursday, 3 March 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 10.05 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Cathaoirleach)

- Deputies Richard Bruton, David Stanton, Matt Shanahan and Paul Murphy.
- Senators Garret Ahearn and Ollie Crowe.

Senator Ollie Crowe participated online through MS Teams

No apologies were received.

### 2 Engagement with European Union Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights Mr Nicolas Schmit

The Chair welcomed the Commissioner.

Following the opening statement by the Commissioner, a discussion ensued with members.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the Commissioner for attending the meeting on his visit to Dublin and engaging with Members, and look forward to future cooperation.

#### 3 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 11.16pm until the next meeting of the Joint Committee on 9 March at 9.30 am.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Diche

9 March, 2022

### Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 9 March 2022 in CR1

#### **Minutes**

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.38 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending were:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), and participating online through *MS Teams* were –

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, David Stanton, Paul Murphy.
- Senators: Garret Ahearn and Paul Gavan.

Deputies Louise O'Reilly and Matt Shanahan participated in the meeting room.

Apologies were received from Senator Sherlock.

#### 2 The Impact of Brexit on Trade in Ireland.

The meeting was attended by -

- From InterTrade Ireland (by remote connection to the meeting):
  - Ms Margaret Hearty, CEO
  - Ms Kerry Curran
  - Ms Deirdre Maguire
- From the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment
  - Mr John Hughes
  - Ms Anne Coleman-Dunne
  - Ms Fiona Kilcullen (remote)
  - Mr Andrew Colgan

Following the opening statements by Intertrade Ireland and the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 10.42 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of 2 and 3 March.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### 6 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 10.50am until the next meeting on the 23 March. There is no meeting next week as it is a non-sitting week.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Diche

23 March, 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 23 March 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.31 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending were:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), and participating online through *MS Teams* were –

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, David Stanton, Joe Flaherty and Paul Murphy.
- Senators: Roisin Garvey.

Deputy Louise O'Reilly, Senator Ollie Crowe and Senator Garret Ahearn participated in the meeting room.

Apologies were received from Deputy Matt Shanahan.

#### 2 Fuel cost issues and pricing practices relating to fuel.

The Chair welcomed representatives from the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission and invited Mr Godfrey to read the opening statement.

- From the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission
  - Mr Jeremy Godfrey
  - Mr Brian McHugh
  - Ms Grainne Griffin
  - Mr Seán Murphy

Following the opening statement by Competition and Consumer Protection Commission a discussion ensued with members. During the discussion Mr Godfrey said the Competition and Consumer Commission would update the Committee with progress regarding their investigations of complaints.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.06 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of 9 March.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### 6 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 11.17am until the next meeting on the 30 March.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janai Pinte

30 March, 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 30 March 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 10.05 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

Deputy Louise O'Reilly, Deputy Matt Shanahan, Senator Garret Ahearn and Senator Ollie Crowe participated in person in CR1.

Attending remotely were:

- Deputies: Richard Bruton and David Stanton.
- Senators: Roisin Garvey, Marie Sherlock, Paul Gavan.

No apologies were received.

#### 2 Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022

The Chair welcomed representatives from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment and invited them to read their opening statements.

#### From the Department-

- Mr John Newham, Assistant Secretary, Commerce, Competition and Consumer Division
- Mr John Maher, Principal Officer, Company Law Enforcement and Personal Injuries Policy Unit
- Ms Anne Barrett, Assistant Principal Officer, Company Law Enforcement and Personal Injuries Policy Unit

Following the opening statements by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.02am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of 23 March.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### 6 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 11.15am until the next meeting of the Select Committee on 6 April to discuss the Competition Bill at 11am in CR4.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

30 March, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 27 April 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.31 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

The Clerk sought a temporary chair. Deputy Stanton proposed Deputy O'Reilly.

The Committee agreed.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Louise O'Reilly, Richard Bruton and David Stanton.
- Senators: Garret Ahearn and Marie Sherlock.

Deputies Richard Bruton, Matt Shanahan, James O'Connor, Paul Murphy and Joe Flaherty participated online through *MS Teams* 

Apologies were received from Senator Garvey.

The Committee briefly suspended due to technical issues at 9.35am.

The Committee resumed public session at 9.38am.

Deputy Quinlivan resumed as chair at 9.44am

#### 2 Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Work Bill 2022.

The Chair welcomed representatives from GrowRemote and Glofox and invited Ms Joanne Mangan to read her opening statement.

- From Grow Remote
  - Ms Joanne Mangan, Employers Lead
- From Glofox
  - Mr Finn Hegarty, Chief Product Officer

Following the opening statement by the Ms Mangan, a discussion ensued with members with GrowRemote and Glofox. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee entered into private session at 11.42am

#### 3 Minutes

The members agreed to the minutes of 30 March.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### 6 EU proposals

The following proposals have been circulated **under Schedule B**:

- o COM (2021)392
- o COM (2021)483
- o COM (2021)579
- o COM (2021) 704 grouped with 707
- o COM (2021)775

The Committee agreed the above proposals for no further scrutiny.

Item 7 discussed in private session

#### 8 Adjournment

Januar Birle

This meeting adjourned at 12.02 pm until the next meeting of the Select Committee on the 4 May.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

11 May, 2022

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## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 11 May 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.33 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair) and Deputy Louise O'Reilly, Deputy Joe Flaherty and Deputy Paul Murphy.

Attending remotely through MS Teams:

- Deputies: David Stanton and Matt Shanahan.
- Senators: Garret Ahearn, Roisin Garvey, Marie Sherlock, Paul Gavan, and Ollie Crowe.

Apologies were received from Deputy Richard Bruton.

2 Waiver of intellectual property protection in the context of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights as it relates to COVID-19 vaccines.

The Chair welcomed the representatives from Oxfam Ireland and IPHA and invited Mr Jim Clarken and Professor Aisling McMahon to make their opening remarks.

- From Oxfam Ireland
  - Mr Jim Clarken, Chief Executive
- Maynooth University, Department of Law
  - Professor Aisling McMahon
- Médecins Sans Frontières
  - o Mr Dimitri Eynikel, Access Campaign EU Policy Advisor
- St Vincent's University Hospital
  - Dr Christine Kelly

The Chair then invited Mr Oliver O'Connor and Mr Matt Moran to make opening remarks on behalf of the IPHA and BioPharmaChem Ireland.

- From Irish Pharmaceutical Healthcare Association
  - o Mr Oliver O'Connor, Chief Executive
- BioPharmaChem Ireland
  - o Mr Matt Moran, Director
  - o Ms Nessa Fennelly, Senior Executive

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked all representatives for attending the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee entered Private Session at:11.43am

#### 3 Minutes

The minutes of the 27 April were agreed to.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### 6 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.55am. The Joint Committee will meet on 18 May to resume PLS on the Right to Request Remote Working Bill 2022.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

18 May 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 18 May 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.32 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), Deputy Louise O'Reilly and Senator Marie Sherlock.

Attending remotely through MS Teams:

- Deputies: David Stanton, Paul Murphy, Richard Bruton and Francis Noel Duffy.
- Senators: Garret Ahearn, Roisin Garvey, Paul Gavan, and Ollie Crowe.

Senator Emer Currie also attended in person in the Committee Room. Apologies were received from Deputy Matt Shanahan.

#### 2 Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Working Bill 2022.

The Chair welcomed representatives from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment to continue the discussion of Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Working Bill 2022, and invited Mr Dermot Mulligan to make his opening remarks.

- From the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment-
  - Mr Dermot Mulligan, Assistant Secretary
  - Ms Áine Maher, Principal Officer
  - Mr Mark Doheny, Assistant Principal Officer

Following the opening statement, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked all representatives for attending the current meeting and attending previously, and for engaging with Members.

The Committee entered Private Session at:11.03am

#### 3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 11 May were agreed to.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### 6 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.30am. The Joint Committee will meet until on 18 May to resume Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

25 May 2022

#### Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 25 May 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.33 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were -

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), Deputy Louise O'Reilly, Deputy Richard Bruton, Deputy Matt Shanahan, Deputy Paul Murphy and Senator Ollie Crowe.

Attending remotely through MS Teams:

**Deputies: David Stanton** 

Senators: Garret Ahearn, Marie Sherlock, and Paul Gavan.

No apologies were received.

#### 2 Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022.

The Chair welcomed the representatives from Alliance for Insurance Reform and Insurance Ireland to continue the discussion on Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022 and invited Mr Boland to make his opening remarks.

- From Alliance for Insurance Reform
- o Mr Peter Boland, Director
- o Ms Tracy Sheridan, Director, owner of Kidspace play centres in Rathfarnham and Rathcoole

Following Mr Boland's opening statement, the Chair invited Ms Moyagh Murdock to make her opening statement on behalf of Insurance Ireland.

- From Insurance Ireland
- o Ms Moyagh Murdock, CEO
- o Mr Florian Wimber, Director Advocacy, Communications and Public Affairs
- o Mr. Michael Curtin, Manager of Regulation and Policy Development
- o Mr. Michael Horan, Non-Life Insurance Manager

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked all representatives for attending the meeting today and previously and for engaging with Members.

Deputy Murphy made a statement to the Committee clarifying a matter at the request of correspondence received by the Committee. The Chair considered the matter closed and will respond accordingly.

The Committee entered Private Session at:11.03am.

#### 3 Minutes

The minutes of the 18 May were agreed to.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### **6 Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned until its next meeting on 1 June, when the Select Committee will consider the Consumer Rights Bill 2022.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janai Birle

14 June 2022

# Private Meeting of Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Tuesday, 14 June, 3pm MS Teams

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Private session Session at 9.33 am on MS Teams, a Quorum being present.

Attending were -

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair), Deputy Richard Bruton, Deputy David Stanton, Deputy Paul Murphy and Senator Paul Gavan.

Apologies were received from Deputies Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan James O'Connor and Senator Garret Ahearn.

Item 2 discussed in private session

#### 3 Adjournment

This meeting is now adjourned until our next meeting on tomorrow, 15 June with representatives from Wind Energy Ireland.

I would like to thank the Members for participating in today's meeting. We will consider what step to take next regarding this matter at our next meeting.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

15 June 2022

### Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 15 June 2022 in CR1

#### **Minutes**

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.33 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan, Richard Bruton and David Stanton.
- Senators Ollie Crowe, Marie Sherlock and Paul Gavan participated online on MS Teams.

Apologies were received from Senator Garvey and Senator Paul Gavan, Senator Gavan joined later on.

#### 2 Discussion of Offshore and Renewable Energy with Wind Energy Ireland.

The Chair welcomed representatives from Wind Energy Ireland and invited Mr Noel Cunniffe, CEO of Wind Energy Ireland, to read his opening statement.

From the Wind Energy Ireland-

- Mr Noel Cunniffe CEO of Wind Energy Ireland.
- Mr Justin Moran Director of External Affairs with Wind Energy Ireland.
- Ms Vanessa O'Connell Head of Inis Offshore Wind and Vice-Chairperson of Offshore Supply-Chain Working Group
- Mr Kieran Ivers CEO, Green Rebel

Following the opening statement from Wind Energy Ireland, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.02am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of 25 May.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### **6 Adjournment**

This meeting adjourned at 11.15am until our next meeting on 22 June, when the Committee will meet with BEERG and SIPTU before it on 22 June, to discuss European Work Councils.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Smai Bile

22 June, 2022

### Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 22 June 2022 in CR1

#### **Minutes**

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

In the unavoidable absence of the Chair, the Committee nominated and agreed to Deputy Louise O'Reilly as acting Chair to facilitate the morning's meeting.

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.36 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Louise O'Reilly (Temporary Chair)

- Deputies: Paul Murphy
- Senators: Garret Ahearn, Marie Sherlock and Ollie Crowe.

Deputies Richard Bruton, David Stanton and James O'Connor participated online on *MS Teams.* 

Apologies were received from Deputy Maurice Quinlivan, Deputy Matt Shanahan, Senator Róisín Garvey and Senator Paul Gavan.

#### 2 Engagement on the issue of European Work Councils and related Irish legislation.

The acting Chair welcomed representatives from The Brussels European Employee Relations Group and SIPTU.

From the The Brussels European Employee Relations Group –

- Mr Tom Hayes Executive Director and
- Ms. Lisa McKeon, EMEA Employee Relations Senior Manager with Oracle Corporation

And from SIPTU -

- Mr. Gerry McCormack, Deputy General Secretary and
- Mr. Denis Sheridan EWC Expert

The acting Chair invited Mr Hayes, from BEERG to read his opening statement. The acting chair thanked him for his comments and invited Mr Sheridan, from SIPTU to read his opening statement.

Following the opening statements by a discussion with BEERG and SIPTU, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.26am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 14 and 15 of June.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### **6 Adjournment**

This meeting adjourned at 11.46am until the next meeting on 29 June, when the Joint Committee will meet with undertake pre-legislative scrutiny of the General Scheme of the Representative Actions for the Protection of Consumers Bill.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

29 June, 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 29 June 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.34 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

• Deputies: Louise O'Reilly. Participating online in *MS Teams* 

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.
- Senators: Marie Sherlock, Ollie Crowe.

Apologies were received from Deputy Paul Murphy and Senators Garret Ahearn and Róisín Garvey.

2 Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Representative Actions for the Protection of the Collective Interests of Consumers Bill 2022.

The acting Chair welcomed representatives from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

- Ms Clare McNamara, Principal Officer, Competition and Consumer Policy Unit
- Mr Paul Brennan, Assistant Principal
- Ms Sadhbh McGrath, Administrative Officer

The Chair invited Ms McNamara to read her opening statement. The Chair thanked her for her comments.

Following the opening statements by the Department, a discussion ensued with members.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

3 Launch of Committee Report – Detailed Scrutiny of the Working from Home (Covid-19) Bill 2020 (PMB)

The Report of the Committee on its **Detailed Scrutiny of the Working from Home (Covid-19) Bill 2020 (PMB)** was finalised and there was an invite to all members to attend the a brief launch on the Plinth. The Report will also be circulated electronically to members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 10.24am on *Microsoft Teams*.

### 4 Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Representative Actions for the Protection of the Collective Interests of Consumers Bill 2022.

The Committee agreed the next steps to take regarding pre-legislative scrutiny of the Representative Actions for the Protection of the Collective Interests of Consumers Bill 2022.

The Committee agreed to seek submissions from interested stakeholders and regulators over the summer recess and compile a summary to review in September before agreeing to conclude scrutiny.

#### 5 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 22 of June.

Item 6 discussed in private session Item 7 discussed in private session Item 8 discussed in private session

Item 9 discussed in private session

#### 10 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 12.34 pm until the next meeting on 6 July, when the Committee will meet with Ibec and ICTU to begin detailed scrutiny of the Companies (Protection of Employees' Rights in Liquidations) Bill 2021 (PMB).

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Dinke

6 July, 2022

#### Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment

#### Wednesday, 6 July 2022 in CR1

#### **Minutes**

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.33 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Louise O'Reilly and Paul Murphy
- Senator: Paul Gavan

Participating online in MS Teams

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Joe Flaherty, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.
- Senators: Garret Ahearn and Ollie Crowe.

Deputy Mick Barry also attended in the room for the meeting.

Apologies were received from Senators Róisín Garvey and Marie Sherlock.

### 2 Detailed Scrutiny of the Companies (Protection of Employees' Rights in Liquidation) Bill 2021

The Chair welcomed representatives from Ibec and ICTU.

The Chair welcomed from the *Irish Congress of Trade Unions*:

- Mr Liam Berney, Industrial Officer
- Mr Gerry Light, General Secretary, Mandate

From Ibec:

- Ms Maeve McElwee, Director of Employer Relations
- Ms Pauline O'Hare, Senior Employment Law Manager

The Chair invited Mr Berney from ICTU to read his opening statement. The Chair thanked him for his comments.

The Chair invited Ms McElwee to read her opening statement. The Chair thanked her for her comments.

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with members.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

#### 3 Launch of Committee Reports

The Reports of the Committee on Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill and the Report on Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Right to Request Remote Work Bill. These reports were finalised and are now ready to be launched. All members were invited to attend a brief launch on the Plinth on Thursday at 10.30am. The Report will also be circulated electronically to members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.15am on *Microsoft Teams*.

Item 4 discussed in private session

#### 5 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 29 of June.

Item 6 discussed in private session

Item 7 discussed in private session

Item 8 discussed in private session

Item 9 discussed in private session

#### 10 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 11.40 pm until the last meeting on 13 July, when the Committee will meet with Ibec and the Law Society to discuss the Unified Patent Court.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Smai Pinte

13 July, 2022

#### Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment

#### Wednesday, 13 July 2022 in CR1

#### **Minutes**

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.39 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

Deputies: Louise O'Reilly, Paul Murphy and Matt Shanahan.

Participating online in MS Teams

- Deputies: David Stanton
- Senators: Garret Ahearn and Ollie Crowe.

Apologies were received from Deputy Richard Bruton and Senators Paul Gavan and Róisín Garvey.

#### 2 Unified Patent Court

The Chair welcomed representatives from the Ibec:

- Mr Aidan Sweeney, Ibec Head of Enterprise and Regulatory Affairs
- Mr Naoise Gaffney, Chair of the IP Corporate IP Group, and Vice President of IP, GH Research Ireland

The Chair invited Mr Gaffney to read his opening statement. The Chair thanked him for his comments.

Following the opening statements by the Department, a discussion ensued with members.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 10.28am on *Microsoft Teams*.

Item 3 discussed in private session

#### 4 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 6 of July.

Item 5 discussed in private session

Item 6 discussed in private session

Item 7 discussed in private session

Item 8 discussed in private session

#### 9 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 10.50 am Sine Die.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Smai Dile

14 September, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 14 September 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.38 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

Deputies: Richard Bruton, Louise O'Reilly and Paul Murphy.

Participating online in MS Teams

Deputies: David Stanton

Senators: Ollie Crowe and Marie Sherlock.

Apologies were received from Deputy Matt Shanahan and Senator Róisín Garvey.

2 Pre-legislative scrutiny of the general scheme of the Representative Actions for the Protection of the Collective Interests of Consumers Bill, 2022.

The Chair welcomed Representatives:

From the Law Society of Ireland:

Mr Philip Andrews, McCann FitzGerald LLP, Partner, Head of EU, Antitrust
 & Telecom

From Competition and Consumer Protection Commission:

- Mr Jeremy Godfrey, Chairperson,
- Síona Ryan, Director of Policy & International,
- Robert Dunne, Deputy Director of Legal Services.

From the Consumers' Association of Ireland:

- Mr Michael Kilcoyne, Chairman (attending remotely),
- Mr Raymond O'Rourke, Vice-Chairman,
- Mr Dermott Jewell, Policy & Council Advisor.

The Chair invited the witnesses to read their opening statement. The Chair thanked them for their comments.

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with members.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.08 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

Item 3 discussed in private session

#### 4. Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 13 July.

Item 5 discussed in private session

Item 6 discussed in private session

Item 7 discussed in private session

Item 8 discussed in private session

Item 9 discussed in private session

Item 10 discussed in private session

#### 11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.36 am to the 28th of September.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

28 September, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 28 September 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.38 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

 Deputies: Richard Bruton, Paul Gavan, Louise O'Reilly, Paul Murphy and David Stanton.

Participating online in MS Teams

Deputies: Matt Shanahan

Senators: Ollie Crowe, Roisin Garvey and Marie Sherlock.

### 2 The cost of living - minimum wage increase and Low Pay Commission report.

The Chair welcomed Representatives:

from the Low Paid Commission:

- Mr Ultan Courtney, Chair of the Low Pay Commission
- Ms Claire Pyke, Assistant Principal Officer, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment (Secretariat to the Low Pay Commission)
- Mr Oisín Gilmore, Administrative Officer, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment (Secretariat to the Low Pay Commission)

From Mandate Trade Union:

- Mr Gerry Light, General Secretary for Mandate Trade Union
- Mr Jonathan Hogan Assistant General Secretary for Mandate Trade Union
- Mr Jim Fuery Divisional Organiser for the Dublin North Division

The Chair invited the witnesses to present their opening statement. The Chair thanked them for their comments.

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with members.

In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.31 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

Item 3 discussed in private session

#### 4. Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 14 September.

Item 5 discussed in private session Item 6 discussed in private session

#### 7 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12.05 pm until 5 October, 2022.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

5 October 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 5 October 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.36 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan, Richard Bruton and David Stanton.
- Senators: Garret Ahearn, Marie Sherlock and Paul Gavan
- Senators Ollie Crowe and Roisin Garvey participated online on MS Teams.

No apologies were received.

### 2 Engagement with the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment regarding an update on Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 matters relating to the Department

The Chair welcomed the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Deputy Leo Varadkar, T.D. and his officials and invited the Tánaiste to present his opening statement.

From the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment

- Mr John Newham, Assistant Secretary
- Ms Tara Coogan, Principal Officer
- Ms Jill Colquhoun, Assistant Principal

Following the opening statement from the Tánaiste, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the Tánaiste and his officials for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Tánaiste agreed to respond in writing to the following queries:

- European Works Councils
- The 20 different energy efficiency schemes

- Timeline in amending Fisheries legislation
- Interest rates in respect low-interest Business loans
- An update on the progress of the N24/N25 under the National Development Plan
  The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at
  11.49am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to amend the Minutes of 28 September and seek agreement of the Minutes of the 28 September at the next meeting.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

Item 6 discussed in private session

#### 7 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 12.06pm until our next meeting on 12 October 2022 when the Committee will meet with officials in relation to the cost of living/minimum wage increase and the Low Pay Commission's Report.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Bile

12 October, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 12 October 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.35 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Louise O'Reilly, Richard Bruton, Paul Murphy and David Stanton.
- Senator: Marie Sherlock
- Senator Ollie Crowe and Deputy Matt Shanahan participated online on MS Teams.

Apologies were received from Senators Roisin Garvey and Paul Gavan.

### 2 The cost of living - minimum wage increase and Low Pay Commission report.

The Chair welcomed from Irish Congress of Trade Unions:

- Dr Laura Bambrick, Head of Social Policy and Employment Affairs
- Mr Liam Berney, Industrial Officer and invited Dr Bambrick to present her opening statement.

Following the opening statement, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 10.46 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Minutes of 28 September and 5 October were agreed.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session Item 6 discussed in private session

#### 7 Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at 10.59 am until our next meeting on 19 October 2022 when the Committee will meet with UN special rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders Mary Lawlor and the Irish Coalition for Business and Human Rights, in relation to the further scrutiny of COM 71 – Due Diligence and Corporate Sustainability.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Saurie Birle

19 October, 2022

# Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 19 October 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.35 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: David Stanton, Matt Shanahan, Richard Bruton, Louise O'Reilly and Paul Murphy.
- Senators: Paul Gavan and Marie Sherlock.

Participating online in MS Teams

- Deputies: Joe Flaherty and James O'Connor.
- Senators: Ollie Crowe and Garret Ahearn.

Apologies were received from Deputy Francis Noel Duffy

### 2 Further Scrutiny of EU legislative proposal (COM 2022) 71 - Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence

The Chair welcomed Representatives:

- Ms Mary Lawlor, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders; and
- Mr Ed O'Donovan, Special Advisor to the UN Special Rapporteur. From the Irish Coalition for Business and Human Rights:
- Dr Rachel Widdis, School of Law Trinity College / Europe, the Middle East and Africa Director at Article One;
- Caoimhe de Barra, Trócaire CEO and Chair of the Irish Coalition for Business and Human Rights; and
- Sorcha Tunney, Irish Coalition for Business and Human Rights Coordinator

The Chair invited the witnesses to read their opening statement. The Chair thanked them for their comments.

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.34 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

Item 3 discussed in private session

#### 4. Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 12 October.

Item 5 discussed in private session Item 6 discussed in private session Item 7 discussed in private session

#### 8 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.51 am until the next meeting on 26 October.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

26 October, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 26 October 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.31 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Louise O'Reilly.
- Senator: Ollie Crowe.

Participating online in MS Teams

- Deputy: David Stanton
- Senators Garret Ahearn, Paul Gavan

Apologies were received from Deputy Matt Shanahan and Senator Marie Sherlock

### 2 Motion on Draft Regulations made under section 60(6) of the Data Protection Act 2018

The Chair welcomed the Minister of State for Trade Promotion, Digital and Company Regulation, Dara Calleary TD.

The Chair also welcomed from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment:

- Ms Tara Keane and
- Ms Orla O'Brien.

The Chair invited the Minister to present his opening statement.

Following the opening statement from the Minister, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the Minister and his officials for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

In accordance with Standing Order 101, the following message was sent to the Dáil:

The Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment has completed its consideration of the following regulations:

Data Protection Act 2018 Section 60(6) (Competition and Consumer Protection Commission) Regulations 2022,

Data Protection Act 2018 Section 60(6) (Corporate Enforcement Authority) Regulations 2022,

Data Protection Act 2018 Section 60(6) (Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority) Regulations 2022,

copies of which were laid before Dáil Éireann in draft form on 18 October 2022.

In accordance with Standing Order 75, the following message was sent to the Seanad:

The Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment has completed its consideration of the following regulations:

Data Protection Act 2018 Section 60(6) (Competition and Consumer Protection Commission) Regulations 2022,

Data Protection Act 2018 Section 60(6) (Corporate Enforcement Authority) Regulations 2022,

Data Protection Act 2018 Section 60(6) (Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority) Regulations 2022,

copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann in draft form on 18 October 2022.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 9.43 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

Item 3 discussed in private session

#### 4. Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 19 October.

Item 5 discussed in private session Item 6 discussed in private session

#### 7 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9.56 am until the next meeting on 9 November.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janai Dile

26 October, 2022

#### Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 9 November 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.35 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Joe Flaherty, Louise O'Reilly, Paul Murphy, David Stanton.
- Senator Martin Conway attended the meeting in the room.

Participating online in MS Teams

- Deputy: Matt Shanahan
- Senators Garret Ahearn, Ollie Crowe, Paul Gavan
- 2 Current issues affecting trade in Ireland, the supports available to businesses and matters affecting indigenous enterprise with small and medium enterprises.

The Chair welcomed from Enterprise Ireland:

- Mr Leo Clancy, Chief Executive Officer
- Ms Carol Gibbons, Divisional Manager, Regions & Local Enterprise
- Mr Donal Leahy, Department Manager, Strategic Policy

Also attending the Room was:

- Ms Emma Jane Hade
- Mr Conor O'Donovan

The Chair invited Mr Clancy to present his opening statement.

Following the opening statement, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the representatives from Enterprise Ireland for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.05 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 26 October.

Item 4 discussed in private session

Item 5 discussed in private session

Item 6 discussed in private session

Item 7 discussed in private session

#### 8 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.26 am until the next meeting on 16 November.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janai Birle

16 November, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 16 November 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.33 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan, David Stanton.
- Senator Garret Ahearn

Participating online in MS Teams

Senators Ollie Crowe, Paul Gavan
 Apologies were received from Deputy Paul Murphy

#### 2 The challenges facing small businesses.

The Chair welcomed:

From the Family Business Network:

- Mr John McGrane, Executive Director
- Ms Ellen Kehoe, Chief Development Officer
- Mr Aidan Finnegan, Policy and Public Affairs Manager

From the Convenience Stores and Newsagents Association:

- Mr Vincent Jennings, Chief Executive Officer
- Mr Derek Moran, National Executive
- Ms Flora Crowe, CSNA Member (online)

From the Retail Grocery Dairy & Allied Trades Association:

- Ms Tara Buckley, Director General
- Mr Colin Fee, RGDATA President
- Ms Rachel Twomey, RGDATA Director (online)

- Mr Padraig Broderick, RGDATA Director (online)
- Ms Annie Timothy, RGDATA Director (online)
- Ms Leona Pender, RGDATA Director (online)

The Chair invited Mr McGrane to present his opening statement.

The Chair invited Ms Buckley to present her opening statement.

The Chair invited Mr Jennings to present his opening statement.

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the representatives for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee agreed to hold a regular meeting (one or twice a year) to review this topic

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.50 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 9 November.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session

#### 6 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.59 am until the next meeting on 23 November.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janai Birle

23 November, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 23 November 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.37 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies: Richard Bruton, Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan, David Stanton.
- Senators Paul Gavan, Marie Sherlock

Participating online in MS Teams

Senator Ollie Crowe

#### 2 The challenges facing the technology sector.

The Chair welcomed:

From the Industrial Development Agency:

- Ms Mary Buckley, Interim CEO
- Mr Donal Travers, Divisional Manager Technology, Content Consumer and Business Services
- Mr Tommy Fanning, Department Manager Strategic Policy

From Technology Ireland:

- Ms Una Fitzpatrick, Director
- Mr Erik O'Donovan, Head of Digital Policy, Ibec

The Chair invited Ms Buckley to present her opening statement.

The Chair invited Ms Fitzpatrick to present her opening statement.

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the representatives for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 11.42 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 16 November.

Item 4 discussed in private session Item 5 discussed in private session Item 6 discussed in private session

#### 7 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.51 am until the next meeting on 30 November.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

7 December, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 7 December 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.44 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

Deputies: Richard Bruton, Louise O'Reilly, Paul Murphy.

Participating online in MS Teams

Deputy David Stanton

Senator Martin Conway substituted for Senator Garett Ahearn

Apologies received: Deputy Matt Shanahan and Senator Garett Ahearn

### 2 Further Scrutiny of EU legislative proposal (COM 2022) 71 - Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence

The Chair welcomed:

From the Law Society:

 Mr Conor Linehan SC, Solicitor, Environmental and Planning Law Committee.

From the Institute of Directors Ireland:

- Ms Caroline Spillane Chartered Director, Chief Executive Officer, Institute of Directors Ireland
- Ms Karen Hennessy Chartered Director, Institute of Directors Ireland Member, and Chief Executive, Real Leaf Farm
- Ms Anne Mannion, Head of Marketing and Communications, Institute of Directors Ireland.

The Chair invited Mr Linehan to present his opening statement.

The Chair invited Ms Spillane to present her opening statement.

Following the opening statements, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the representatives for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 10.42 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### **Private Session**

### 2 Further Scrutiny of EU legislative proposal (COM 2022) 71 - Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence

The Committee agreed to write to the Minister outlining their concerns.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 23 November and 29 November.

Item 4 discussed in private session

Item 5 discussed in private session

Item 6 discussed in private session

#### 7 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10.53 am until the next meeting on 14 December.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Janai Birle

14 December, 2022

## Joint Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment Wednesday, 14 December 2022 in CR1 Minutes

#### 1 Commencement and Attendance

The meeting commenced in Public Session at 9.34 am in CR1, a Quorum being present.

Attending in the room were - Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (Chair)

- Deputies Richard Bruton, Louise O'Reilly and David Stanton.
- Senator Paul Gavan.

Participating online in MS Teams

Senators Ollie Crowe and Marie Sherlock.

Apologies received: Deputy Matt Shanahan

#### 2 Pre-legislative Scrutiny of the Co-operative Societies Bill 2022

The Chair welcomed:

From the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment:

- Mr John Shine, Principal Officer
- Ms Teodora Corcoran, Assistant Principal; and
- Ms Caroline Kiernan, Higher Executive Officer

The Chair invited Mr Shine to present his opening statement.

Following the opening statement, a discussion ensued with Members. In conclusion, the Chair thanked the Department Officials for participating in the meeting and engaging with Members.

The Committee ended Public Session and went into Private Session at 10.52 am on *Microsoft Teams*.

#### **Private Session**

#### 2 Pre-legislative Scrutiny of the Co-operative Societies Bill 2022

The Committee agreed to seek written submissions from the Centre for Cooperative Studies (UCC), the Irish Co-operative Organisation Society, Cooperative Housing Ireland, the Urban Co-op, Co-operative Development Scotland, and Trademark.

#### 3 Minutes

Members agreed to the minutes of the 7 December.

Item 4 discussed in private session

Item 5 discussed in private session

Item 6 discussed in private session

Item 7 discussed in private session

Item 8 discussed in private session

Item 9 discussed in private session

#### 10 Any other business

No business was raised.

#### 11 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11.18 am until the next meeting on 25 January 2023.

Maurice Quinlivan, TD, Cathaoirleach

Januar Birle

25 January, 2023

#### **APPENDIX 5: Meetings of the Dáil Select Committee**

The following are the details, in date order, of the scheduled meetings of the Select Committee which took place during the period under report.

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
S7 02 February 2022	2022 Revised Estimates for Public Services - Vote 32	Mr Leo Varadkar, TD, Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Mr. Cathal O Gorman Mr. Patrick Sinnott Mr. Thomas Murray Ms Wendy Gray
S8 23 February 2022	Committee Stage consideration of the Redundancy Payments (Amendment) Bill 2022	Mr Damien English, TD, Minister of State at the Department Enterprise, Trade & Employment Mr. Dara Breathnach, Principal Officer Ms Orla Mulready, Assistant Principal
S9 06 April 2022	Committee Stage consideration of the Competition (Amendment) Bill 2022	Mr Robert Troy, TD, Minister of State for Trade Promotion, Digital and Company Regulation
S10 04 May 2022	Committee Stage consideration of the Sick Leave Bill 2022.	Mr Damien English, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment  Mr. Dara Breathnach, Principal Officer Mr. Paul Norris, Assistant Principal
S11 01 June 2022	Committee Stage consideration of the Consumer Rights Bill 2022	Mr Robert Troy, TD, Minister of State for Trade Promotion, Digital and Company Regulation
S12 26 October 2022	Committee Stage consideration of the Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022	Mr Dara Calleary, Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment John Maher, Principal Officer Anne Barrett, Assistant Principal
S13	Session 1	Mr Damien English, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment

30 November 2022	2022 Supplementary Estimates for Public Services - Vote 32 (Enterprise, Trade and Employment) Session 2	Ms Clare McNamara Ms Emily DeGrae Ms Marie Dempsey  Mr Damien English, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment
Committee Stage consideration of the Employment Permits Bill 2022	Mr. Kevin Daly, Principal Officer Ms Sandra O'Reilly, Assistant Principal Ms Miriam Tracey, Higher Executive Officer Mr. John Wheatley, Executive Officer Ms Elaine Daly, Executive Officer	

### APPENDIX 6: Proceedings of the Select Committee (Imeachtaí)

#### IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 2 Feabhra, 2022.

Wednesday, 2 February, 2022

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.05 a.m.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.

Bhí na Comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Leo Varadkar (*an tAire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*), na Teachtaí Pól Ó Murchú, Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, Maitiú Ó Seanacháin agus Daithí Standúin.

3. Breithniú ar Mheastacháin Athbhreithnithe Bhreise i gComhair Seirbhísí Poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste an Meastachán Athbhreithnithe Breise seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2022 –

Vóta 32 — Fiontair, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe Breise).

- 1. The Committee met at 9.05 a.m.
- 2. Members Present.

The following Members were present:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Leo Varadkar, (Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Paul Murphy, Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.

3. Consideration of Revised Estimates for Public Services.

The Committee considered the following Revised Estimate for Public Services for the year ending 31st December, 2022 –

Vote 32 – Enterprise, Trade and Employment (Revised Estimate).

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán Athbreithnithe Breise.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 90 á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán Athbreithnithe Breise.

4. Athló.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 8.34 p.m sine die.

Consideration of the Further Revised Estimate was concluded.

Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 90 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Revised Estimate.

4. Adjournment.

The Committee adjourned at 8.34 p.m sine die.

MAURICE QUINLIVAN T.D. Cathaoirleach

Januar Dile

#### IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 23 Feabhra, 2022 Wednesday 23 February, 2022

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.30 a.m.
- 2. Comhaltaí i Láthair.

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (i gCeannas), An Teachta Damien Inglis, (An tAire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht), na Teachtaí Risteárd de Bríotún, Pól Ó Murchú, Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, agus Daithí Standúin.

Gabh mo leithscéal an Teachta Maitiú Ó Seanacháin.

3. An Bille um Íocaíochtaí Iomarcaíochtaí Iomarcaíochta (Leasú), 2022

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh alt 1.
- (ii) Alt 2.

Tairgeadh leasú 4 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 6 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt 2, mar a leasaíodh.

(iii) Alt 3.

- 1. The Committee met at 9.30 a.m.
- 2. Members Present.

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Damian English (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Richard Bruton, Paul Murphy, Louise O'Reilly, David Stanton.

Apologise received Deputy Matt Shanahan

3. REDUNDANCY PAYMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2022

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Section 1 agreed to.
- (ii) Section 2.

Amendment 4 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 6 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 2 as amended, agreed to.

(iii) Section 3.

Tairgeadh leasú 7 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt 3, *mar a leasaíodh*.

(iv) Alt 4.

Tairgeadh leasú 8 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 19 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 20 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt 4, mar a leasaíodh.

(v) Aontaíodh ailt 5 go 8 go huile.

(vi) Teideal

Tairgeadh leasú 21 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an Teideal mar a leasaíodh.

4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 10.02 a.m.

5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus go raibh leasuithe déanta aige air agus go raibh leasú déanta aige ar an Teideal chun go léifidh sé mar a leanas:

Amendment 7 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 3 as amended, agreed to.

(iv) Section 4.

Amendment 8 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 19 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 20 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 4 as amended, agreed to.

(v) Sections 5 to 8 inclusive, agreed to.

(vi) Title

Amendment 21 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Title, as amended, agreed to.

4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 10.02 a.m.

5. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made amendments thereto and had amended the Title to read as follows:

"AN ACT TO AMEND THE REDUNDANCY PAYMENTS ACT 1967 TO PROVIDE FOR PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES IN

# RESPECT OF CERTAIN LAY-OFF PERIODS DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON 13 MARCH 2020 AND ENDING ON 31 JANUARY 2022; TO AMEND THE COMPANIES (CORPORATE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY) ACT 2021; AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS"

6. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 10.02 a.m. sine die.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned at 10.02 a.m. sine die.

MAURICE QUINLIVAN T.D. Cathaoirleach

Januaro Dinle

#### IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 6 Aibreán, 2022 Wednesday 6 April 2022

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 11.07 a.m.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Roibeard Ó Troithigh, (*An tAire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*), na Teachtaí Risteárd de Bríotún, Seosamh Ó Flaitheartaigh, Pól Ó Murchú, Laoise Uí Raghallaigh agus Maitiú Ó Seanacháin.

3. AN BILLE IOMAÍOCHTA (LEASÚ), 2022

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh ailt 1go 3.
- (ii) Alt 4

Aontaíodh leasú 1 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 2 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 3 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 4 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 5 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

- 1. The Committee met at 11.07 a.m.
- 2. MEMBERS PRESENT.

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Robert Troy (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Richard Bruton, Joe Flaherty, Paul Murphy, Louise O'Reilly and Matt Shanahan.

3. Competition (Amendment) Bill 2022

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Sections 1 to 3 agreed to.
- (ii) Section 4

Amendment 1 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 2 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 3 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 4 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 5 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 4 mar a leasaíodh.

(iii) Aontaíodh ailt 5 go 7.

(iv) Alt 8

Aontaíodh leasú 6 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh alt 8 mar a leasaíodh.

(v) Aontaíodh ailt 9 go 11.

(vi) Alt 12

Aontaíodh leasú 7 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 8 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Aontaíodh leasú 9 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Aontaíodh leasú 10 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 11 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 12 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 13 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Aontaíodh leasú 14 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Section 4 as amended agreed to.

(iii) Section 5 to 7 agreed to.

(iv) Section 8

Amendment 6 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 8 as amended agreed to.

(v) Section 9 to 11 agreed to.

(vi) Section 12

Amendment 7 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 8 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 9 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 10 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 11 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 12 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 13 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 14 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 15 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 15 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 16 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 16 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 17 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 17 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 18 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 18 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 19 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 19 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 20 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 20 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 21 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 21 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 22 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 22 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 23 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 23 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 24 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 24 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 25 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 25 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 26 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 26 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 27 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 27 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 28 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 28 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 29 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 29 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 30 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 30 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 31 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 31 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 32 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 32 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 33 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 33 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 34 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 34 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 35 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 35 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 36 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 36 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 37 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 37 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 38 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 38 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 39 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 39 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 40 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 40 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 41 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 41 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 42 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 42 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 43 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 43 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 44 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 44 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 45 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 45 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 46 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 46 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 47 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 47 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 48 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 48 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 49 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 49 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 50 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 50 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 50 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 50 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 51 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 51 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 52 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 52 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 53 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 53 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 54 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 54 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 55 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 55 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 56 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 56 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 57 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 57 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 58 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 58 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 59 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 59 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 60 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 60 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 61 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 61 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 62 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 62 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 63 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 63 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 64 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 64 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 65 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 65 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 66 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 66 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 67 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 67 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 68 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 68 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 69 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 69 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 70 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 70 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 71 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 71 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 72 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 72 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 73 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 73 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 74 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 74 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 75 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 75 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 76 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 76 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 77 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 77 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 78 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 78 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 79 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 79 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 80 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 80 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 81 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 81 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 82 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 82 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 83 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 83 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 84 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 84 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 85 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 85 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 86 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 86 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 87 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 87 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 88 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 88 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 89 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 89 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 91 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 91 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 92 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 92 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 93 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 93 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 94 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 94 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 95 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 95 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 96 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 96 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 97 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 97 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 98 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 98 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 99 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 99 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 100 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 100 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 101 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 101 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 102 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 102 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 103 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 103 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 104 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 104 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 105 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 105 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 106 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 106 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 107 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 107 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 108 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 108 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 109 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 109 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 110 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 110 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 111 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 111 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 112 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 112 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 113 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 113 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 114 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 114 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 115 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 115 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 116 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 116 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 117 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 117 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 118 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 118 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 119 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 119 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 120 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 120 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 121 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 121 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 122 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 122 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 123 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 123 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 124 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 124 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 125 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 125 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 126 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 126 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 127 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 127 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 128 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 128 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 129 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 129 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 130 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 130 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 131 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 131 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 132 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 132 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 133 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 133 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 134 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 134 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 135 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 135 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 136 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 136 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 137 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 137 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 138 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 138 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 139 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 139 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 140 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 140 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 141 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 141 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 142 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 142 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 143 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 143 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 144 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 144 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 145 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 145 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 146 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 146 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 147 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 147 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 148 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 148 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 149 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 149 (*Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise*, *Trade and Employment*) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 150 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 150 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 12 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 12 as amended agreed to.

(vii) Aontaíodh alt 13

(vii) Section 13 agreed to.

(viii) Alt 14

(viii) Section 14

Aontaíodh leasú 151 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 151 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 14 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 14 as amended agreed to.

(ix) Aontaíodh ailt 15 go 21.

(ix) Sections 15 to 21 agreed to.

(x) Alt Nua

(x) New Section

Tairgeadh leasú 152 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta) agus cinneadh aontach a rinneadh air — cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Amendment 152 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) proposed and decided in the affirmative – new section inserted.

(xi) Alt 22

(xi) Section 22

Aontaíodh leasú 153 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 153 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 154 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 154 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 22 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 22 as amended *agreed to*.

(xii) Alt 23

(xii) Section 23

Aontaíodh leasú 155 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 155 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Tairgeadh leasú 156 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 156 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Aontaíodh leasú 157 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 157 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 158 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 158 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 159 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 159 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 23 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 23 as amended agreed to.

(xiii) Alt 24

(xiii) Section 24

Tairgeadh leasú 160 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead. *Aontaíodh* alt 24.

Amendment 160 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

(xiv) Aontaíodh alt 25.

Section 24 agreed to.

(xiv) Section 25 agreed to.

(xv) Alt 26

(xv) Section 26

Tairgeadh leasú 161 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 26.

Amendment 161 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

(xvi) Aontaíodh alt 27.

Section 26 agreed to.

(xvii) Alt 28

(xvi) Section 27 agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 162 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

(xvii) Section 28

Tairgeadh leasú 163 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 163 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Amendment 162 (Deputy Louise O'Reilly)

proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section 28 agreed to.
(xix) Section 29
Amendment 164 ( <i>Deputy Louise O'Reilly</i> ) proposed and, by leave, <i>withdrawn</i> .
Section 29 agreed to.
(xx) Section 30 agreed to.
(xxi) Section 31
Amendment 165 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Amendment 166 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Section 31 as amended agreed to.
(xxii) Section 32
Amendment 167 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Section 32 as amended agreed to.
(xxiii) Section 33
Amendment 168 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Section 33 as amended agreed to.
(xxiv) Section 34 agreed to.
(xxv) Section 35
Amendment 169 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 170 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 170 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 171 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 171 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 35 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 35 as amended agreed to.

(xxvi) Aontaíodh alt 36.

(xxvi) Section 36 agreed to.

(xxvii) Alt 37

(xxvii) Section 37

Aontaíodh leasú 172 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 172 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 37 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 37 as amended agreed to.

(xxviii) Alt 38

(xxviii) Section 38

Aontaíodh leasú 173 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 173 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 38 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 38 as amended agreed to.

(xxix) Alt Nua

(xxix) New Section

Tairgeadh leasú 174 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta) agus cinneadh aontach a rinneadh air — cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua. (xxx) Aontaíodh alt 39.

Amendment 174 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) proposed and decided in the affirmative – new section inserted. (xxx) Section 39 agreed to.

(xxxi) Alt Nua

(xxxi) New Section

Tairgeadh leasú 175 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta) agus cinneadh aontach a rinneadh air — cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua. (xxxii) An Teideal.

Amendment 175 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) proposed and decided in the affirmative – new section inserted. (xxxii) Title

Aontaíodh leasú 176 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 176 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 177 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 177 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh an Teideal mar a leasaíodh.

Title as amended agreed to.

4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 12.50 p.m.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 12.50 p.m.

5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

5. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus go raibh leasuithe déanta aige air agus go raibh leasú déanta aige ar an Teideal chun go léifidh sé mar a leanas:

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made amendments thereto and had amended the Title to read as follows:

"AN ACT TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DIRECTIVE (EU) 2019/1 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL OF 11 DECEMBER 2018 TO EMPOWER THE COMPETITION AUTHORITIES OF THE MEMBER STATES TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE ENFORCERS AND TO ENSURE THE PROPER FUNCTIONING OF THE INTERNAL MARKET; FOR THAT PURPOSE TO PROVIDE FOR A SYSTEM OF NON-CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF COMPETITION LAW, INCLUDING THE APPOINTMENT AND EMPOWERMENT OF INDEPENDENT ADJUDICATION OFFICERS, AND THE ISSUING OF PROHIBITION NOTICES IN RESPONSE TO CERTAIN SUSPECTED INFRINGEMENTS OF COMPETITION LAW; TO PROVIDE FOR A SYSTEM OF ENFORCEMENT AND NON-CRIMINAL PENALTIES IN RELATION TO CERTAIN BREACHES OF COMPETITION LAW, INCLUDING BY THE IMPOSITION OF NON-CRIMINAL STRUCTURAL AND BEHAVIOURAL REMEDIES AND CERTAIN NON-CRIMINAL FINANCIAL SANCTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR PROCESSES BY WHICH SUCH NON-CRIMINAL SANCTIONS MAY BE APPEALED, REMITTED OR CONFIRMED BY THE HIGH COURT; TO PROVIDE FOR A LENIENCY PROGRAMME IN RELATION TO CERTAIN UNDERTAKINGS: TO PROVIDE FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN COMPETITION AUTHORITIES IN THE EUROPEAN UNION AND CERTAIN BODIES IN THE STATE; TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN CRIMINAL OFFENCES FOR BREACH OF COMPETITION LAW; TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL POWERS OF SURVEILLANCE TO THE COMPETITION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMISSION IN RELATION TO THE INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN CRIMINAL OFFENCES; TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE FOR NOTIFYING MERGERS TO THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES; TO MAKE PROVISION RELATING TO THE PERIOD OF TIME WITHIN WHICH CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO COMPETITION LAW MAY BE BROUGHT; TO MAKE FURTHER PROVISION REGARDING

THE POWER OF THE NATIONAL STANDARDS AUTHORITY OF IRELAND TO CHARGE FEES IN RESPECT OF CERTAIN MATTERS; FOR THOSE AND OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE COMPETITION ACT 2002, THE COMPETITION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT 2014, THE COMMUNICATIONS REGULATION ACT 2002, THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT 2007, THE NATIONAL STANDARDS AUTHORITY OF IRELAND ACT 1996 AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE (SURVEILLANCE) ACT 2009; AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS"

6. ATHLÁ.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 12.52 p.m. *sine die.* 

The Committee adjourned at 12.52 p.m. sine die.

Maurice Quinlivan, T.D., Cathaoirleach

James Bile

# IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 4 Bealtaine, 2022 Wednesday 4 May 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 11.07 a.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR<sup>1</sup>.

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Damien Inglis, (*An tAire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*), na Teachtaí Risteárd de Bríotún, Proinsias Ó Dufaigh, Seosamh Ó Flaitheartaigh, Pól Ó Murchú, Séamus Ó Conchobhair, Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, Maitiú Ó Seanacháin agus Daithí Standúin,

3. AN BILLE UM SHAOIRE BHREOITEACHTA, 2022

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh ailt 1 go 4.
- (ii) Alt 5

Tairgeadh leasú 2 (An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 3 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 4 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

2. Members Present<sup>2</sup>.

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Damian English (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Richard Bruton, Joe Flaherty, Paul Murphy, James O'Connor, Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.

#### 3. SICK LEAVE BILL 2022

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Sections 1 to 4 agreed to.
- (ii) Section 5

Amendment 2 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 3 (*Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 4 (*Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

<sup>1.</sup> The Committee met at 11.07 a.m.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bhí an Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin i láthair [B.O. 106(3)].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Deputy Aodhán Ó Riordáin attended [S.O. 106.(3)].

Tairgeadh leasú 5 (*An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 6 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.
Aontaíodh alt 5.

## (iii) Alt 6

Tairgeadh leasú 10 (*An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 11 (*An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 12 (An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 13 (An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 14 (*An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 15 (An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 16 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 17 (*An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 18 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 19 (*An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh alt 6.

## (iv) Alt 7

Tairgeadh leasú 20 (*An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Amendment 5 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 6 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 5 agreed to.

## (iii) Section 6

Amendment 10 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 11 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 12 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 13 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 14 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 15 (Deputy Paul Murphy) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 16 (*Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 17 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 18 (*Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 19 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and negatived.

Section 6 *agreed to*.

#### (iv) Section 7

Amendment 20 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Tairgeadh leasú 21 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 22 (An Teachta Pól Ó Murchú) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 23 (*An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 24 (*An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 7.

(v) Ailt 8 go 13 go huile.

#### (vi) Alt 14

Aontaíodh leasú 26 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 14.

## (vii) Alt 15

Aontaíodh leasú 28 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar*, *Trádála agus Fostaíochta*) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 15.

(viii) Aontaíodh an Teideal.

4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 11.45 a.m.

5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus nach raibh aon leasú déanta aige air.

6. ATHLÁ.

Amendment 21 (*Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 22 (*Deputy Paul Murphy*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 23 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 24 (*Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section 7 agreed to.

(v) Sections 8 to 13 agreed to.

#### (vi) Section 14

Amendment 26 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section 14 agreed to.

#### (vii) Section 15

Amendment 28 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section 15 agreed to.

(viii) Title agreed to.

4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 11.45 a.m.

5. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made no amendment thereto.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 11.47 a.m. *sine die*.

The Committee adjourned at 11.47 a.m. sine die.

Maurice Quinlivan, T.D., Cathaoirleach

Januar Pile

# IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 1 Meiteamh, 2022 Wednesday 1 June 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.39 a.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR<sup>3</sup>.

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Roibeard Ó Troithigh, (*An tAire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*), na Teachtaí Proinsias Ó Dufaigh, Pól Ó Murchú, Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, Maitiú Ó Seanacháin agus Daithí Standúin,

3. AN BILLE UM CHEARTA DO THOMHALTÓIRÍ, 2022

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh alt 1.
- (ii) Alt 2

Aontaíodh leasú 1 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 2 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 3 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

2. MEMBERS PRESENT<sup>4</sup>.

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Robert Troy (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Francis Noel Duffy, Paul Murphy, Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.

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The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Section 1 agreed to.
- (ii) Section 2

Amendment 1 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 2 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 3 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

<sup>1.</sup> The Committee met at 9.39 a.m.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Bhí an Teachta Seán Ó Searlóg, i láthair [B.O. 95(3)].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Deputy Seán Sherlock [S.O. 95(3)].

Aontaíodh leasú 4 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 4 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 2 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 2 as amended *agreed to*.

(iii) Aontaíodh ailt 3 go 8.

(iii) Section 3 to 8 agreed to.

(iv) Alt 9

(iv) Section 9

Aontaíodh leasú 5 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 5 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 6 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 6 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 7 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 7 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 9 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 9 as amended agreed to.

(v) Alt 10

(v) Section 10

Aontaíodh leasú 8 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 8 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 10 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 10 as amended agreed to.

(vi) Alt 11

(vi) Section 11

Aontaíodh leasú 9 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 9 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 10 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 10 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 11 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 11 as amended *agreed to*.

(vii) Alt 12

(vii) Section 12

Aontaíodh leasú 10 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 10 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 11 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 11 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 12 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 12 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 13 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 13 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 14 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 14 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 15 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 15 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 16 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 16 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 17 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 17 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 18 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 18 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 12 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 12 as amended agreed to.
(viii) Aontaíodh ailt 13 go 15.	(viii) Section 13 to 15 agreed to.
(ix) Alt 16	(ix) Section 16
Aontaíodh leasú 19 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 19 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 20 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 20 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 16 as amended agreed to.

Aontaíodh alt 16 mar a leasaíodh.

(x) Aontaíodh ailt 17 go 20.

(xi) Alt 21

Aontaíodh leasú 21 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh alt 21 mar a leasaíodh.

(xii) Aontaíodh ailt 22 go 25.

(xiii) Alt 26

Tairgeadh leasú 22 (An Teachta Seán Ó Searlóg) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh leasú 23 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Aontaíodh leasú 24 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Aontaíodh leasú 25 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 26 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Aontaíodh alt 26 mar a leasaíodh.

(xiv) *Aontaíodh* alt 27.

(xv) Alt 28

Aontaíodh leasú 27 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 28 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

(x) Section 17 to 20 agreed to.

(xi) Section 21

Amendment 21 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 21 as amended agreed to.

(xii) Section 22 to 25 agreed to.

(xiii) Section 26

Amendment 22 (*Deputy Seán Sherlock*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Amendment 23 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 24 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 25 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 26 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 26 as amended *agreed to*.

(xiv) Section 27 agreed to.

(xv) Section 28

Amendment 27 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 28 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 29 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 29 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 30 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 30 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 28 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 28 as amended agreed to.
(xvi) Alt 29	(xvi) Section 29
Aontaíodh leasú 31 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 31 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 32 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 32 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 33 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 33 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 34 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 34 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 29 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 29 as amended agreed to.
(xvii) Alt 30	(xvii) Section 30
Aontaíodh leasú 35 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 35 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 36 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 36 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 37 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 37 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 38 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 38 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 30 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 30 as amended agreed to.

(xviii) Alt 31	(xviii) Section 31
Aontaíodh leasú 39 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 39 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 31 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 31 as amended agreed to.
(xix) Alt 32	(xix) Section 32
Aontaíodh leasú 40 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 40 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 32 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 32 as amended agreed to.
(xx) Alt 33	(xx) Section 33
Aontaíodh leasú 41 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 41 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 33 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 33 as amended agreed to.
(xxi) Alt 34	(xxi) Section 34
Aontaíodh leasú 42 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 42 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 34 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 34 as amended agreed to.
(xxii) Aontaíodh ailt 35 go 38.	(xxii) Section 35 to 38 agreed to.
(xxiii) Alt 39	(xxiii) Section 39
Aontaíodh leasú 43 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 43 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 44 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 44 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 45 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 45 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 46 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 46 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 47 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 47 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 48 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 48 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 39 mar a leasaíodh. Section 39 as amended agreed to. (xxiv) *Aontaíodh* ailt 40 go 43. (xxiv) Section 40 to 43 agreed to. (xxv) Alt 44 (xxv) Section 44 Aontaíodh leasú 49 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 49 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 44 mar a leasaíodh. Section 44 as amended agreed to. (xxvi) Alt 45 (xxvi) Section 45 Aontaíodh leasú 50 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 50 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 45 mar a leasaíodh. Section 45 as amended agreed to. (xxvii) *Aontaíodh* alt 46. (xxvii) Section 46 agreed to. (xxviii) Alt 47 (xxviii) Section 47 Aontaíodh leasú 51 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 51 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 47 mar a leasaíodh. Section 47 as amended *agreed to*. (xxvix) Aontaíodh alt 48. (xxix) Section 48 agreed to.

Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 52 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn

(xxx) Alt 49

Amendment 52 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

(xxx) Section 49

Aontaíodh leasú 53 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn* Amendment 53 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 54 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 54 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 49 mar a leasaíodh. Section 49 as amended agreed to. (xxxi) *Aontaíodh* ailt 50 go 53. (xxxi) Section 50 to 53 agreed to. (xxxii) Alt 54 (xxxii) Section 54 Aontaíodh leasú 55 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 55 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 54 mar a leasaíodh. Section 54 as amended *agreed to*. (xxxiii) Sections 55 and 56 agreed to. (xxxiii) *Aontaíodh* ailt 55 agus 56. (xxxiv) Section 57 (xxxiv) Alt 57 Aontaíodh leasú 56 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 56 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 57 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 57 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 57 mar a leasaíodh. Section 57 as amended *agreed to*. (xxxv) *Aontaíodh* ailt 58 go 63. (xxxv) Sections 58 to 63 agreed to. (xxxvi) Section 64 (xxxvi) Alt 64 Aontaíodh leasú 58 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 58 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 59 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn* Amendment 59 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh alt 64 mar a leasaíodh.

Employment) agreed.

Section 64 as amended agreed to.

(xxxvii) Alt 65	(xxxvii) Section 65
Aontaíodh leasú 60 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 60 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 61 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 61 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 62 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 62 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 63 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 63 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 64 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 64 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 65 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 65 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 66 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 66 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 65 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 65 as amended agreed to.
(xxxviii) Alt 66	(xxxviii) Section 66
Aontaíodh leasú 67 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 67 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 66 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 66 as amended agreed to.
(xxxix) Alt 67	(xxxix) Section 67
Aontaíodh leasú 68 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 68 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 67 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 67 as amended agreed to.
(xl) Alt 68	(xl) Section 68

Aontaíodh leasú 69 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 69 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 68 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 68 as amended agreed to.
(xli) Alt 69	(xli) Section 69
Aontaíodh leasú 70 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 70 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 71 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 71 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 69 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 69 as amended agreed to.
(xlii) Aontaíodh alt 70.	(xlii) Section 70 agreed to.
(xliii) Alt 71	(xliii) Section 71
Aontaíodh leasú 72 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 72 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 73 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 73 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 74 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 74 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 75 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 75 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 76 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 76 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 71 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 71 as amended agreed to.
(xliv) Aontaíodh ailt 72 go 74.	(xliv) Sections 72 to 74 agreed to.

(xlv) Section 75

(xlv) Alt 75

Aontaíodh leasú 77 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 77 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 75 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 75 as amended agreed to.

(xlvi) *Aontaíodh* ailt 76 agus 77.

(xlvi) Sections 76 and 77 agreed to.

(xlvii) Alt 78

(xlvii) Section 78

Aontaíodh leasú 78 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 78 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 79 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 79 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 78 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 78 as amended agreed to.

(xlviii) Aontaíodh ailt 79 go 84.

(xlviii) Sections 79 to 84 agreed to.

(xlix) Alt 85

(xlix) Section 85

Aontaíodh leasú 80 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 80 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 85 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 85 as amended agreed to.

(l) Aontaíodh alt 86.

(1) Section 86 agreed to.

(li) Alt 87

(li) Section 87

Aontaíodh leasú 81 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 81 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 82 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 82 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 87 mar a leasaíodh.

Section 87 as amended agreed to.

(lii) Alt 88

(lii) Section 88

Aontaíodh leasú 83 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 83 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 88 as amended *agreed to*.

Aontaíodh alt 88 mar a leasaíodh.

(liii) Aontaíodh ailt 88 go 92. (liii) Sections 88 to 92 agreed to. (liv) Alt 93 (liv) Section 93 Amendment 84 (Minister of State at the Aontaíodh leasú 84 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn* Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 85 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 85 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 86 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 86 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 93 mar a leasaíodh. Section 93 as amended *agreed to*. (lv) Section 94 (lv) Alt 94 Aontaíodh leasú 87 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 87 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 88 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 88 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 89 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 89 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 90 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 90 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 91 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 91 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 94 mar a leasaíodh. Section 94 as amended *agreed to*. (lvi) Alt 95 (lvi) Section 95

Aontaíodh leasú 92 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 92 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 95 mar a leasaíodh. Section 95 as amended agreed to. (lvii) Alt 96 (lvii) Section 96 Aontaíodh leasú 93 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 93 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 94 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 94 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 95 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 95 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 96 mar a leasaíodh. Section 96 as amended agreed to. (lviii) Alt 97 (lviii) Section 97 Aontaíodh leasú 96 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 96 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 97 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 97 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 98 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 98 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 97 mar a leasaíodh. Section 97 as amended agreed to. (lix) Aontaíodh ailt 98 go 109. (lix) Sections 98 to 109 agreed to. (lx) Alt 110 (lx) Section 110 Aontaíodh leasú 99 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 99 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 110 mar a leasaíodh. Section 110 as amended agreed to.

(lxi) Section 111

(lxi) Alt 111

Aontaíodh leasú 100 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 100 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 101 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 101 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 102 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 102 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 103 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 103 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 104 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 104 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 111 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 111 as amended agreed to.
(lxii) Aontaíodh ailt 112 go 118.	(lxii) Sections 112 to 118 agreed to.
(lxiii) Alt 119	(lxiii) Section 119
Aontaíodh leasú 105 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 105 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 119 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 119 as amended agreed to.
(lxiv) Aontaíodh ailt 120 go 126.	(lxiv) Sections 120 to 126 agreed to.
(lxv) Alt 127	(lxv) Section 127
Aontaíodh leasú 106 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 106 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
·	Department of Enterprise, Trade and
Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Tairgeadh leasú 107 (*An Teachta Seán Ó Searlóg*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead. *Aontaíodh* alt 130.

(lxviii) *Aontaíodh* ailt 131 go dtí 139.

(lxix) Alt 140

Aontaíodh leasú 108 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh alt 140 mar a leasaíodh.

(lxx) Alt 141

Aontaíodh leasú 109 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh alt 141 mar a leasaíodh.

(lxxi) Alt 142

Aontaíodh leasú 110 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 111 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 112 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 113 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 114 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 115 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 107 (*Deputy Seán Sherlock*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 130 agreed to.

(lxviii) Sections 131 to 139 agreed to.

(lxix) Section 140

Amendment 108 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 140 as amended agreed to.

(lxx) Section 141

Amendment 109 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 141 as amended agreed to.

(lxxi) Section 142

Amendment 110 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 111 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 112 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 113 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 114 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 115 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 116 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 116 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 117 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 117 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 118 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 118 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 119 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 119 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 142 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 142 as amended agreed to.
(lxxii) Aontaíodh ailt 143 go dtí 146.	(lxxii) Sections 143 to 146 agreed to.
(lxxiii) Alt 147	(lxxiii) Section 147
Aontaíodh leasú 120 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 120 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 147 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 147 as amended agreed to.
(lxxiv) Alt 148	(lxxiv) Section 148
Aontaíodh leasú 121 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 121 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 148 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 148 as amended agreed to.
(lxxv) <i>Aontaíodh</i> alt 149.	(lxxv) Section 149 agreed to.
(lxxvi) Alt 150	(lxxvi) Section 150
Aontaíodh leasú 122 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 122 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 123 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 123 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 124 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 124 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 125 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 125 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 126 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 126 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 127 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 127 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 128 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 128 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 129 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 129 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 130 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 130 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 131 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 131 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 132 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 132 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 133 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 133 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 134 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 134 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 135 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 135 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 136 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 136 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 137 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 137 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 138 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 138 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 139 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 139 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 140 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 140 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 150 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 150 as amended agreed to.
(lxxvii) Aontaíodh alt 151.	(lxxvii) Section 151 agreed to.
(lxxviii) Alt 152	(lxxviii) Section 152
Aontaíodh leasú 141 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 141 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 152 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 152 as amended agreed to.
(lxxix) Aontaíodh ailt 153 go dtí 157.	(lxxix) Sections 153 to 157 agreed to.
(lxxx) Alt 158	(lxxx) Section 158
Tairgeadh leasú 142 ( <i>An Teachta Seán Ó Searlóg</i> ) agus <i>tarraingíodh siar an leasú</i> , faoi chead.	Amendment 142 ( <i>Deputy Seán Sherlock</i> ) proposed and, by leave, <i>withdrawn</i> .
Aontaíodh alt 158.	Section 158 agreed to.
(lxxxi) Alt 159	(lxxxi) Section 159

Aontaíodh leasú 143 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 143 (Minister of State at the

Department of Enterprise, Trade and

Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 144 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 144 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 145 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 145 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 146 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 146 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 159 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 159 as amended agreed to.
(lxxxii) Alt 160	(lxxxii) Section 160
Aontaíodh leasú 147 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 147 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 160 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 160 as amended agreed to.
(lxxxiii) Aontaíodh alt 161.	(lxxxiii) Section 161 agreed to.
(lxxxiv) Alt 162	(lxxxiv) Section 162
Aontaíodh leasú 148 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 148 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 162 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 162 as amended agreed to.
(lxxxv) Aontaíodh alt 163.	(lxxxv) Section 163 agreed to.
(lxxxvi) Alt 164	(lxxxvi) Section 164
Aontaíodh leasú 149 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 149 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 164 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 164 as amended agreed to.
(lxxxvii) Aontaíodh ailt 165 go dtí 167.	(lxxxvii) Sections 165 to 167 agreed to.
(lxxxviii) Alt 168	(lxxxviii) Section 168
Aontaíodh leasú 150 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 150 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 168 mar a leasaíodh. Section 168 as amended *agreed to*. (lxxxix) Alt 169 (lxxxix) Section 169 Aontaíodh leasú 151 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 151 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 169 mar a leasaíodh. Section 169 as amended agreed to. (xc) Alt 170 (xc) Section 170 Aontaíodh leasú 152 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 152 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 170 mar a leasaíodh. Section 170 as amended agreed to. (xci) Alt 171 (xci) Section 171 Aontaíodh leasú 153 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 153 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 171 mar a leasaíodh. Section 171 as amended agreed to. (xcii) Aontaíodh alt 172. (xcii) Section 172 agreed to. (xciii) Alt 173 (xciii) Section 173 Aontaíodh leasú 154 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 154 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 173 mar a leasaíodh. Section 173 as amended agreed to. (xciv) Aontaíodh Sceidil 1 go dtí 5. (xciv) Schedules 1 to 5 agreed to. (xcv) Sceidil 6 (xcv) Schedule 6 Aontaíodh leasú 155 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 155 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 156 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 156 (Minister of State at the

Department of Enterprise, Trade and

Employment) agreed.

Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 157 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 157 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 158 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 158 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 159 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 159 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 160 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 160 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 161 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Amendment 161 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh leasú 162 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Amendment 162 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh an t-Sceidil 6, an leasú.

Schedule 6, as amended, agreed to.

(xcvi) An Teideal.

(xcvi) Title.

Tairgeadh leasú 163 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta) aontaíodh an teideal as leasú.

Amendment 163 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) proposed title as amended agreed to.

Aontaíodh an Teideal mar a leasú.

Title, as amended *agreed to*.
4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 11.18 a.m.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 11.18 a.m.

## 5. Message to Dáil Éireann.

## 5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made amendments thereto and had amended the Title to read as follows:

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus go raibh leasuithe déanta aige air agus go raibh leasú déanta aige ar an Teideal chun go léifidh sé mar a leanas:

"AN ACT TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE LAW RELATING TO RIGHTS AND REMEDIES IN CONTRACTS BETWEEN TRADERS AND CONSUMERS FOR THE SALE OF GOODS AND THE SUPPLY OF DIGITAL CONTENT AND DIGITAL AND OTHER SERVICES, INCLUDING BY GIVING EFFECT TO DIRECTIVE (EU) 2019/770 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL OF 20 MAY 2019 ON CERTAIN ASPECTS CONCERNING CONTRACTS FOR THE SUPPLY OF DIGITAL CONTENT AND DIGITAL SERVICES, DIRECTIVE (EU) 2019/771 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL OF 20 MAY 2019 ON CERTAIN ASPECTS CONCERNING CONTRACTS FOR THE SALE OF GOODS, AMENDING REGULATION (EU) 2017/2394 AND DIRECTIVE 2009/22/EC, AND REPEALING DIRECTIVE 1999/44/EC AND ARTICLES 1, 3 AND 4 OF DIRECTIVE (EU) 2019/2161 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL OF 27 NOVEMBER 2019 AMENDING COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 93/13/EEC AND DIRECTIVES 98/6/EC, 2005/29/EC AND 2011/83/EU OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL AS REGARDS THE BETTER ENFORCEMENT AND MODERNISATION OF UNION CONSUMER PROTECTION RULES; TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE LAW RELATING TO UNFAIR TERMS IN CONTRACTS BETWEEN TRADERS AND CONSUMERS; TO AMEND THE CONSUMER CREDIT ACT 1995 TO MAKE PROVISION FOR RIGHTS AND REMEDIES IN HIRE-PURCHASE AGREEMENTS AND CONSUMER-HIRE AGREEMENTS: TO AMEND SECTION 12(13) OF THE COMPETITION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT 2014; AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED **MATTERS**"

6. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 11.20 a.m. sine die.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned at 11.20 a.m. sine die.

Janui Dile

Maurice Quinlivan, T.D., Cathaoirleach

# IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 26 Deireadh Fómhair, 2022 Wednesday 26 October 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.39 a.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Dara Mac Giolla Laoire, (*An tAire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*), na Teachtaí Risteard de Briotún, Seosamh Ó Flaitheartaigh, Pól Ó Murchú, Maitiú Ó Seanacháin agus Daithí Standúin,

3. An Bille fán mBord um Réiteach Díobhálacha Pearsanta, 2022

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh ailt 1 go 23 go huile.
- (ii) An Teideal.

Aontaíodh an Teideal.

4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 10.54 a.m.

5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus nach raibh leasuithe déanta aige air.

6. ATHLÁ.

- 1. The Committee met at 9.39 a.m.
- 2. Members Present.

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Dara Calleary, (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Richard Bruton, Joe Flaherty, Paul Murphy, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.

3. Personal Injuries Resolution Board Bill 2022

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Sections 1 to 23 inclusive agreed to.
- (ii) Title.

Title *agreed to*.

4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 10.54 a.m.

5. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made no amendments thereto.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 10.54 a.m. *sine die*.

The Committee adjourned at 10.54 a.m. sine die.

Maurice Quinlivan, T.D., Cathaoirleach

Janai Bile

# IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 30 Samhain 2022

Wednesday, 30 November 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.30 a.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.

Bhí na Comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (*i gCeannas*), an Teachta Damien Inglis, (*Aire Stáit ag an Roinn Fiontair, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*), na Teachtaí Risteard de Briotún, Pól Ó Murchú, Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, Maiti Ó Seanacháin agus Daithí Standúin.

3. Breithniú ar Mheastacháin Fhorlíontacha i gComhair Seirbhísí Poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste na Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2022 –

Vóta 32 — Fiontair, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht (Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha).

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar na Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 100(2) á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar na Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha.

- 1. The Committee met at 9.30 a.m.
- 2. Members Present.

The following Members were present:

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Damian English, (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Richard Bruton, Paul Murphy, Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.

3. Consideration of Supplementary Estimates for Public Services.

The Committee considered the following Supplementary Estimates for Public Services for the year ending 31st December 2022 –

Vote 32 – Enterprise, Trade and Employment (Supplementary Estimates).

Consideration of the Supplementary Estimates was concluded.

Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 100(2) acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Supplementary Estimates.

4. Athló.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 10.41 a.m sine die.

4. Adjournment.

The Committee adjourned at 10.41 a.m sine die.

Maurice Quinlivan, T.D., Cathaoirleach

Januar Bile

# IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM FHIONTAIR, TRÁDÁIL AGUS FOSTAÍOCHT PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 30 Samhain, 2022 Wednesday 30 November 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 10.46 a.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR<sup>5</sup>.

An Teachta Muiris Ó Caoindealbháin (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Damien Inglis, (*An tAire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*), na Teachtaí Risteard de Briotún, Proinsias Ó Dufaigh, Pól Ó Murchú, Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, Maitiú Ó Seanacháin agus Daithí Standúin,

3. An Bille um Cheadanna Fostaíochta, 2022

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh alt 1.
- (ii) Alt 2

Aontaíodh leasú 1 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 2 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Tairgeadh leasú 3 (*An* Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus *diúltaíodh dó*.

Aontaíodh alt 2 mar a leasaíodh.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT<sup>6</sup>.

Deputy Maurice Quinlivan (in the Chair), Deputy Damien English (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment), Deputies Richard Bruton, Francis Noel Duffy, Paul Murphy, Louise O'Reilly, Matt Shanahan and David Stanton.

3. EMPLOYMENT PERMITS BILL 2022

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Section 1 agreed to.
- (ii) Section 2

Amendment 1 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 2 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 3 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed *and negatived*.

Section 2 as amended *agreed to*.

<sup>1.</sup> The Committee met at 10.46 a.m.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Bhí an Teachta Ged de Nais, i láthair [B.O. 95(3)].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Deputy Ged Nash [S.O. 95(3)].

(iii) Aontaíodh ailt 3 go 8.

(iv) Alt 9

Tairgeadh leasú 4 (*An Teachta Ged de Nais*) agus *diúltaíodh dó*.

Tairgeadh leasú 5 (Na Teachtaí Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, Pól Ó Murchú) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 6 (Na Teachtaí Laoise Uí Raghallaigh, Pól Ó Murchú) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 7 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh alt 9.

(v) Alt 10

Aontaíodh leasú 8 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Aontaíodh alt 10 mar a leasaíodh.

(vi) Aontaíodh ailt 11 go 15

(vii) Alt 16

Tairgeadh leasú 9 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.
Aontaíodh alt 16.

(viii) Alt 17

Aontaíodh leasú 10 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 11 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh leasú 12 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

(iii) Section 3 to 8 agreed to.

(iv) Section 9

Amendment 4 (*Deputy Ged Nash*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 5 (Deputies Louise O'Reilly, Paul Murphy) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 6 (Deputies Louise O'Reilly, Paul Murphy) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 7 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed *and negatived*.

Section 9 agreed to.

(v) Section 10

Amendment 8 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 10 as amended agreed to.

(vi) Sections 11 to 15 agreed to.

(vii) Section 16

Amendment 9 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 16 agreed to.

(viii) Section 17

Amendment 10 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 11 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 12 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Aontaíodh alt 17 mar a leasaíodh.

(ix) Aontaíodh alt 18.

(x) Alt 19

Tairgeadh leasú 13 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead. *Aontaíodh* alt 19.

(xi) Alt 20

Tairgeadh leasú 14 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead. *Aontaíodh* alt 20.

(xii) Alt 21

Tairgeadh leasú 15 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *diúltaíodh dó*.

Tairgeadh leasú 16 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 21.

(xiii) Aontaíodh ailt 22 go 24

(xiv)Alt 25

Aontaíodh leasú 17 (*Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta*).

Tairgeadh leasú 18 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *diúltaíodh dó*.

Aontaíodh alt 25 mar a leasaíodh.

(xv)Alt 26

Tairgeadh leasú 19 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead. *Aontaíodh* alt 26.

(xvi) Aontaíodh ailt 27 agus 28

Section 17 as amended agreed to.

(ix) Section 18 agreed to.

(x) Section 19

Amendment 13 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 19 agreed to.

(xi) Section 20

Amendment 14 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 20 agreed to.

(xii) Section 21

Amendment 15 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 16 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 21 agreed to.

(xiii) Section 22 to 24 agreed to.

(xiv) Section 25

Amendment 17 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Amendment 18 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed *and negatived*.

Section 25 as amended *agreed to*.

(xv) Section 26

Amendment 19 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 26 agreed to.

(xvi) Section 27 and 28 agreed to.

(xvii) Alt 29	(xvii) Section 29
Aontaíodh leasú 20 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 20 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 29 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 29 as amended agreed to.
(xviii) Alt 30	(xviii) Section 30
Aontaíodh leasú 21 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 21 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 22 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 22 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 30 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 30 as amended agreed to.
(xix) Alt 31	(xix) Section 31
Aontaíodh leasú 23 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 23 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 24 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 24 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 25 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 25 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh alt 31 mar a leasaíodh.	Section 31 as amended agreed to.
(xx) Alt 32	(xx) Section 32
Aontaíodh leasú 26 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 26 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Aontaíodh leasú 27 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).	Amendment 27 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.
Tairgeadh leasú 28 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus diúltaíodh dó.	Amendment 28 (Deputy Louise O'Reilly) proposed and negatived.

Aontaíodh alt 32 mar a leasaíodh. Section 32 as amended *agreed to*. (xxi) Alt 33 (xxi) Section 33 Amendment 29 (Deputy Louise O'Reilly) Tairgeadh leasú 29 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. leasú, faoi chead. Aontaíodh leasú 30 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 30 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 33 mar a leasaíodh. Section 33 as amended agreed to. (xxii) Aontaíodh ailt 34 agus 35 (xxii) Section 34 and 35 agreed to. (xxiii) Alt 36 (xxiii) Section 36 Aontaíodh leasú 31 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 31 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh leasú 32 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Amendment 32 (Minister of State at the Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta). Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed. Aontaíodh alt 36 mar a leasaíodh. Section 36 as amended agreed to. (xxiv) *Aontaíodh* alt 37. (xxiv) Section 37 agreed to. (xxv) Alt 38 (xxv) Section 38 Tairgeadh leasú 33 (An Teachta Ged de Amendment 33 (Deputy Ged Nash) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. Nais) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead. Aontaíodh alt 38. Section 38 agreed to. (xxvi) Aontaíodh alt 39. (xxvi) Section 39 agreed to. (xxvii) Alt 40 (xxvii) Section 40 Tairgeadh leasú 34 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Amendment 34 (Deputy Louise O'Reilly) Raghallaigh) agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and negatived. Aontaíodh alt 40. Section 40 agreed to.

(xxviii) Sections 41 and 42 agreed to.

(xxviii) *Aontaíodh* ailt 41 agus 42.

(xxix) Alt 43

Tairgeadh leasú 35 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *diúltaíodh dó*.

Aontaíodh leasú 36 (Aire Stáit sa Roinn Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta).

Aontaíodh alt 43 mar a leasaíodh.

(xxx) Aontaíodh ailt 44 go 51.

(xxxi) Alt 52

Tairgeadh leasú 38 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead. *Aontaíodh* alt 52.

(xxxii) Alt 53

Tairgeadh leasú 39 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 52.

(xxxiii) Aontaíodh ailt 54 go 56.

(xxxiv) Alt 57

Tairgeadh leasú 40 (*An Teachta Ged de Nais*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 57.

(xxxv) *Aontaíodh* ailt 58 go 60.

(xxxvi) Alt 61

Tairgeadh leasú 41 (*An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh*) agus *tarraingíodh siar an leasú*, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 42 (An Teachta Laoise Uí Raghallaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 61.

(xxxvii) *Aontaíodh* ailt 62 go 71.

(xxix) Section 43

Amendment 35 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed *and negatived*.

Amendment 36 (Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment) agreed.

Section 43 as amended agreed to.

(xxx) Sections 44 to 51 agreed to.

(xxxi) Section 52

Amendment 38 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 52 agreed to.

(xxxii) Section 53

Amendment 39 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 53 agreed to.

(xxxiii) Sections 54 to 56 agreed to.

(xxxiv) Section 57

Amendment 40 (*Deputy Ged Nash*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 57 agreed to.

(xxxv) Sections 58 to 60 agreed to.

(xxxvi) Section 61

Amendment 41 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Amendment 42 (*Deputy Louise O'Reilly*) proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Section 61 agreed to.

(xxxvii) Sections 62 to 71 agreed to.

(xxxviii) *Aontaíodh* Sceidil 1 agus 2. (xxxix) *Aontaíodh* an Teideal.

4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 12.38 p.m.

5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus go raibh leasuithe déanta aige air.

6. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 12.38 p.m. *sine die.* 

(xxxviii) Schedules 1 and 2 agreed to. (xxxix) Title agreed to.

4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 12.38 p.m.

5. MESSAGE TO DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made amendments thereto.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned at 12.38 p.m. sine die.

Maurice Quinlivan, T.D., Cathaoirleach

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