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1. Content and Format of Report

This report has been prepared pursuant to Standing Order 100 (3), (4), (5) and (6), (Dáil Éireann) and Standing Order 77 (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 [TBC], the Joint Committee agreed that all these items should be included in this report covering the period from 23 July 2020 to 31 December 2020.

2. Establishment and Functions

2.1. Establishment of the Select Committee

The Dáil Select Committee was established by Order of Dáil Éireann on 23 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 Finance, the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, and the Department of the Taoiseach.

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

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 on 23 September 2020, to form the Joint Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, and Taoiseach.

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 Finance, Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, and the Department of the Taoiseach.
- matters of policy for which the Minister for Finance, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, and the Taoiseach are responsible;
- legislative and expenditure proposals of the Departments;
- EU legislative proposals;
- certain matters relating to bodies under the aegis of the Department of Finance, Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, and the Department of the Taoiseach. The Orders of Reference of the Dáil Select Committee and the Joint Committee are set out at *Appendix 1*.

2.4 Establishment of Joint sub-Committee(s)

Standing Order 96 (4) (Dáil) and Standing Order 72 (4) (Seanad) confer on Committees the power to appoint Joint sub-Committees and to refer to such sub-Committees any matter covered by its orders of reference and to delegate any of its powers to such Joint sub-Committees, including power to report directly to the Dáil and Seanad. No such sub-committees were appointed.

3. Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Membership

Dáil Standing Order 104 (2) provides for a proportion of Chairs to be allocated to each group by means of the D'Hondt System. Deputy John McGuinness 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. Deputy Bernard Durkan was elected as Vice-Chairman of the Joint Committee on 9 December 2020.

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 took place in the Committee rooms in Leinster House 2000. Meetings were in public unless otherwise ordered by the Committee.

Committee proceedings were broadcast live within Leinster House and also made available to RTE, TV3 and TG4. Proceedings were also live streamed on our website and through our app. 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
- Vodafone Channels 201, 207 (Dáil Éireann) and 208 (Seanad Éireann)

Official Reports (Parliamentary Debates) of the public meetings of the Committee may be viewed on the Houses of the Oireachtas website at www.oireachtas.ie.

Copies of other reports published by the Joint Committee are also available on the Oireachtas Committee website pages at www.oireachtas.ie.

5. Number and Duration of Meetings

5.1 Joint Committee

The Joint Committee met on nine occasions during the period under report. The number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was in excess of 11 hours.

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 eight times during the period under report and the number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was in excess of 20 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 10.

During the period, the number of speaking witnesses for each of the Committees was as follows:

COMMITTEE NAME	NUMBER OF WITNESSES
Joint Committee	10
Select Committee	0

7. Committee Reports Published

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

Work Programme 2020;

Given Covid-19 related restrictions on meetings and in view of the short period between establishment and the end of December 2020, no reports were published in the period under report.

8. Travel

Given Covid-19 related restrictions on meetings and in view of the short period between establishment and the end of December 2020, no travel was undertaken by the Joint Committee in the period under report.

9. EU Mainstreaming

9.1 Legislative Proposals

From June July to December 2020, the Joint Committee considered EU matters at 4 meetings involving consideration of some 51 legislative proposals, of which further action or scrutiny was taken on the following proposals:

PROPOSAL NO.	PROPOSAL TITLE	OUTCOME
COM (2012)124	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the access of third-country goods and services to the Union's internal market in public procurement and procedures supporting negotiations on access of Union goods and services to the public procurement markets of third countries.	Agreed to request additional information from the Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation.
COM (2012)524	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 552/97 temporarily withdrawing access to generalized tariff preferences from Myanmar/Burma.	Agreed to refer to Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs for its views.

9.2 EU Council Meetings

The Joint Committee did not meet with the Minister for Finance in 2020 for engagement prior to a meeting of the ECOFIN Council. However, the Joint Committee received written briefings from the Minister's Department in advance of those meetings.

9.3 Six-Monthly Report on Developments within the EU

The Joint Committee did not receive any oral briefings in relation to departmental six-monthly reports on developments within the EU in the period under report.

10. Report on Functions and Powers

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

John McGuiness T.D.

Deputy John McGuinness

[insert date report is agreed]

APPENDIX 1: Orders of Reference

- (1) Scope and Context of Activities of Committees (derived from Standing Orders DSO 94 (2), SSO 70)
- a) 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;
- b) 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;
- c) 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 218 and/or the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act 1993;
- d) 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 125 (1); and
- e) 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.

(3) 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.

(2) Functions of Departmental Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 95 (1) 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 220,
 - (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) scrutiny of private members' Bills in accordance with Standing Order 178, or detailed scrutiny of private members' Bills in accordance with Standing Order 161
- (h) 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,
- (i) 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,
- (j) strategy statements laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas pursuant to the Public Service Management Act 1997,
- (k) 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
- (/) 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 133, 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 130 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.

(3) Powers of Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 96, 133 and 135 and SSO 71, 116 and 118)

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 send for persons, papers and records (see also SO 99);
- (4) 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;
- (5) power to draft recommendations for legislative change and for new legislation;
- (6) 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;
- (7) for the purposes of paragraph (6), 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;
- (8) 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;
- (9) 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;

- (10) 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;
- (11) 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;
- (12) 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 197;
- (13) 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;
- (14) 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 120(4)(a) and SSO 107(4)(a); and
 - (b) the consent of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission, and normal accounting procedures.
- (15) In accordance with Articles 6 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) 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 135; SSO 118); 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 133 and SSO 116).

APPENDIX 2: Membership

List of Members of the Joint Committee

(The Select Committee membership comprises of Deputies only)

Deputies:

Mick Barry (SOL-PBP)

Pearse Doherty (SF)

Bernard Durkan (FG)

Mairéad Farrell (SF)

Steven Matthews (GP)

John McGuinness (FF)

Jim O'Callaghan (FF)

Neale Richmond (FG)

Peadar Tóibín (Aontú)

Senators:

Pat Casey (FF)

Aidan Davitt (FF)

Alice Mary Higgins (IND)

Marie Sherlock (LAB)

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
J01 29 September 2020	First Meeting	none
J02 Cancelled		
J03 14 October 2020	Private Meeting with Coms	none
J04 21 October 2020	Engagement with Central Bank of Ireland	 Mr. Gabriel Makhlouf, Governor Central Bank of Ireland Mr. Ed Sibley, Deputy Governor, Prudential Regulation Ms Derville Rowland, Director General, Financial Conduct
J05 4 November 2020	Private Teams Meeting	none
J06 25 November 2020	Private Teams Meeting	none
J07 Cancelled		
J08 8 December 2020	Engagement on Banking Issues	 Mr. John O'Connell General Secretary Irish Financial Services Union Mr. Brian McDowell Head of Communication & Public Affairs Irish Financial Services Union

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J09 9 December 2020	Engagement with EU Commissioner Ms Mairead McGuinness	Ms Mairead McGuinness EU Commissioner
J10 15 December 2020	Engagement with Central Bank of Ireland	 Mr. Ed Sibley <i>Deputy Governer of the Central Bank of Ireland</i> Ms Gráinne McEvoy <i>Director of consumer protection at the Central Bank of Ireland</i> Mr. Anthony Cahalan <i>Advisor to the Deputy Governor</i>
J11 16 December 2020	Engagement on Insurance Issues	 Minister of State Seán Fleming Mr. Brendan O'Leary Mr. Michael Taggart

APPENDIX 4: Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Committee

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING TUESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in public session at 1.15 pm in Committee Room 3, a quorum (6) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

<u>Deputies</u>: Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell,

John McGuinness (Chairman), Jim O'Callaghan, Neale

Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

Senators: Pat Casey, Alice-Mary Higgins, and Marie Sherlock.

<u>Apologies</u>: Deputy Steven Matthews and Senator Aidan Davitt.

2. PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman welcomed the Members to the first meeting of the Joint Committee.

3. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

The Committee agreed to deal with the election of a Vice Chairman at its next meeting.

4. PRIVATE SESSION

The Committee went into private session at 1.18 p.m.

- 5. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 6. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 7. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 8. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 9. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

10. PUBLIC SESSION

The Committee went into public session at 2.03 p.m.

11. SCRUTINY OF EU PROPOSALS

The Committee noted that it had agreed to postpone its consideration of the EU legislative proposals until its next meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 2.04 p.m. until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, 6 October 2020 when it intends to meet via MS Teams to discuss housekeeping and other matters.

John McGuinness T.D.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in public session at 2 p.m. in Committee Room 4, Leinster House 2000, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell,

John McGuinness (Chairman), Jim O'Callaghan, and Neale

Richmond.

Senators: Pat Casey, Aidan Davitt, Alice-Mary Higgins, and Marie

Sherlock.

Senator Malcolm Byrne attend in accordance with SSO 82(2)

2. PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman welcomed the Members to the meeting of the Joint Committee.

3. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Deputy Neale Richmond nominated Deputy Bernard Durkan and Deputy Mairead Farrell nominated Senator Alice-Mary Higgins as Vice-Chairman. The Chairman indicated that previously one Deputy and one Senator acted as temporary chairpersons and it worked well. The Committee agreed to this arrangement.

The Committee went into private session at 2.03 p.m.

- 4. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
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- 7. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 8. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The Committee went into public session at 3.32 p.m.

9. SCRUTINY OF EU PROPOSALS

The Committee noted its decision that further scrutiny of COMs 281, 314, 360 and 371 was not warranted. The Committee noted that additional information on COM

280 would be sought re the EU recovery fund and housing policy. The Committee also noted that further of COMs 282 and 283 was warranted and that it had agreed to request additional information from the Department of Finance and other stakeholders who may be impacted by the COMs.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 3.33 p.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 21 October 2020 when the Committee was scheduled to meet with the Governor of the Central Bank and officials.

John McGuinness T.D.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in private session at 12.30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Steven Matthews, John McGuinness (Chairman), Jim O'Callaghan, Neale Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

Senators: Pat Casey, Aidan Davitt, Alice-Mary Higgins and Marie Sherlock.

- 2. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 3. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 4. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 5. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 6. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The meeting suspended at 1.04 p.m. and resumed in public session at 2.06 p.m. in Committee Room 4

7. ENGAGEMENT WITH OFFICIALS FROM THE CENTRAL BANK

The Committee welcomed the following witnesses [appearing remotely via MS Teams]:

- Mr. Gabriel Makhlouf, Governor, Central Bank of Ireland
- Mr. Ed Sibley, Deputy Governor, Prudential Regulation, Central Bank of Ireland, and
- Ms Derville Rowland, Director General, Financial Conduct, Central Bank of Ireland

Mr. Makhlouf made an opening statement and a question and answer session ensued with the witnesses and the Members of the Committee.

In conclusion, the witnesses undertook to provide written responses to questions raised, but not dealt with in the time available, and the Chairman thanked the Governor, Deputy Governor and Director General for their engagement. The witnesses withdrew.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The Joint Committee adjourned at 3.59 p.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 4 November 2020.

John McGuinness T.D.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING TUESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in public session at 1.15 pm in Committee Room 3, a quorum (6) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad

Farrell, John McGuinness (Chairman), Jim O'Callaghan,

Neale Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

Senators: Pat Casey, Alice-Mary Higgins, and Marie Sherlock.

Apologies: Deputy Steven Matthews and Senator Aidan Davitt.

2. PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman welcomed the Members to the first meeting of the Joint Committee.

3. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

The Committee agreed to deal with the election of a Vice Chairman at its next meeting.

The Committee went into private session at 1.18 p.m.

- 4. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
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- 7. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 8. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The Committee went into public session at 2.03 p.m.

9. SCRUTINY OF EU PROPOSALS

The Committee noted that it had agreed to postpone its consideration of the EU legislative proposals until its next meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 2.04 p.m. until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, 6 October 2020 when it intends to meet via MS Teams to discuss housekeeping and other matters.

John McGuinness T.D.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in private session at 3.01 p.m. via Microsoft Teams, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, John

McGuinness (Chairman), Jim O'Callaghan, Neale Richmond

and Peadar Tóibín.

Senators: Pat Casey, Aidan Davitt and Alice-Mary Higgins.

Apologies: Senator Marie Sherlock

2. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

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6. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

7. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

8. ADJOURNMENT

The Joint Committee adjourned at 3.34 p.m. sine die.

John McGuinness T.D.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in private session at 12.10 p.m. via Microsoft Teams, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, John McGuinness (Chairman), Jim O'Callaghan, Neale Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

Senators: Pat Casey, Aidan Davitt, Alice-Mary Higgins and Marie Sherlock.

Apologies: Deputy Mick Barry

- 2. ITEMS DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
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- 6. ITEMS DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Joint Committee adjourned at 1.08 p.m. sine die.

John McGuinness T.D.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in private session at 12 noon via Microsoft Teams, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: Mick Barry, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Steven Matthews, John McGuinness (Chairman) and Neale Richmond.

Senators: Pat Casey, Aidan Davitt, Alice-Mary Higgins and Marie Sherlock.

Apologies: Deputy Pearse Doherty

- 2. ITEMS DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 3. ITEMS DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 4. ITEMS DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 5. ITEMS DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

Meeting via Microsoft Teams suspended at 12.08 p.m. and resumed in public session at 1.50 p.m. in CR4

6. ENGAGEMENT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE IRISH FINANCIAL SERVICES UNION

The Committee welcomed the following witnesses:

- Mr. John O'Connell, General Secretary, Irish Financial Services Union
- Mr. Brian McDowell, Head of Communication & Public Affairs, Irish Financial Services Union

Mr. O'Connell made an opening statement and a question and answer session ensued with the witnesses and the Members of the Committee. In conclusion, the Chairman thanked the witnesses for their engagement, and the witnesses withdrew.

The Committee agreed the following actions:

- To write to Ulster Bank and the Central Bank expressing the Committee's dissatisfaction at their non-attendance and inviting them to attend a meeting to discuss banking issues;
- To write to NatWest to request further information and to indicate the Committee's position on the issues raised;
- To prepare a report on the issues arising, including a request for the report to be debated in the Dáil; and
- To write to the Minister for Finance informing him of the Committee's actions to date and urging him to encourage the Central Bank of Ireland and Ulster Bank to attend a meeting of the committee.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Joint Committee adjourned at 3.07 p.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 9 December 2020.

John McGuinness T.D.

John W= Gumners

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY, 9 DECEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in public session at 2.03 p.m. in Committee Room 4, LH2000, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: John McGuinness (Chairman), Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Jim O' Callaghan and Neale Richmond.

Senator: Pat Casey.

Senator Ollie Crowe attended in accordance with S.S.O. 82(2)

2. ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMISSIONER MCGUINNESS

The Committee welcomed Ms Mairead McGuinness, European Commissioner for Financial Stability, Financial Services and the Capital Markets Union, to the meeting.

The Commissioner made an opening statement and a question and answer session ensued with the witnesses and the Members of the Committee. In conclusion, the Chairman thanked Ms McGuinness for her engagement, and the witness withdrew.

The Committee went into private session at 3.12 p.m.

- 3. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 4. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 5. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 6. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The Committee went into public session at 3.17 p.m.

7. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

It was announced that Deputy Durkan had been elected as Vice Chairman of the Committee.

8. EU MATTERS – SCHEDULE A AND SCHEDULE B LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

The decisions taken on the European COMs were read into record as per agreement in private.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Joint Committee adjourned at 3.20 p.m. until 1.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 15 December 2020.

John McGuinness T.D.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING TUESDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in public session at 1.30 p.m. in Committee Room 4, LH2000, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: John McGuinness (Chairman), Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Jim O' Callaghan, Neale Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

Senator: Aidan Davitt.

Apologies were received from Deputy Steven Matthews.

Senator Eugene Murphy attended in accordance with S.S.O. 82(2)

2. ENGAGEMENT WITH THE CENTRAL BANK OF IRELAND

The Committee welcomed Mr. Ed Sibley, Deputy Governor, and Ms Gráinne McEvoy, Director of Consumer Protection, from the Central Bank of Ireland, to the meeting.

Mr. Sibley made an opening statement and a question and answer session ensued with the witnesses and the Members of the Committee.

The Chair indicated that he wished the Committee to write to the Central Bank of Ireland to follow up with various questions arising from the engagement.

In conclusion, the Chairman thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee, and the witness withdrew.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The Joint Committee adjourned at 3.31 p.m. until 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 16 December 2020, for a private meeting via Microsoft Teams followed by a public session at 2 p.m.

John McGuinness T.D.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH MINUTES OF MEETING WEDNESDAY, 16 DECEMBER 2020

The Joint Committee met in private session at 12.34 p.m. via Microsoft Teams, a quorum (4) being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Deputies: John McGuinness (Chairman), Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Jim O' Callaghan, Neale Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

Senators: Pat Casey, Aidan Davitt, Alice-Mary Higgins and Marie Sherlock.

Apologies were received from Deputy Steven Matthews.

Senator Ollie Crowe attended in accordance with S.S.O. 82(2)

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS ON 9 AND 15 DECEMBER 2020

The minutes of the meetings held on 9 and 15 December 2020 were agreed and there were no matters arising.

- 3. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 4. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 5. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION
- 6. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The meeting was suspended at 1.05 p.m. and resumed in public session in CR4 at 2.05 p.m.

7. ENGAGEMENT WITH MINISTER OF STATE, DEPUTY SEÁN FLEMING, ON INSURANCE ISSUES

The Committee welcomed Minister of State, Deputy Seán Fleming, and his officials to the meeting.

The Minister made an opening statement and a question and answer session ensued with the Minister of State and the Members of the Committee.

In conclusion, the Chairman thanked the Minister of State for his engagement, and the Minister of State withdrew.

8. EU MATTERS – SCHEDULE A AND SCHEDULE B LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

The decisions taken on the European COMs were read into record as per their agreement in private session.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Joint Committee adjourned at 4.01 p.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 13 January 2021.

John McGuinness T.D.

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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
S.01 06/10/2020	Consideration of Revised Estimates for Public Services 2020 - Vote 7 - Office of the Minister for Finance (Revised Estimate) - Vote 8 - Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Revised Estimate) - Vote 9 - Office of the Revenue Commissioners (Revised Estimate) - Vote 10 - Tax Appeals Commission (Revised Estimate)	Mr. Seán Fleming, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Finance
S.02 04/11/2020	Private Session – via MS Teams 1. Consumer Credit (Amendment) Bill 2018 – Request for scrutiny of PMB 2. Discussions re arrangements for Finance Bill 2020 3. Any other business	• N/A
S.03 11/11/2020	Private Session – via MS Teams 1. Discussion re arrangements for Finance Bill 2020 2. Briefing by Department of Finance officials on the Finance Bill 2020	Department of Finance Officials
S.04 16/11/2020	Finance Bill 2020	Minister Paschal Donohoe and Officials from the Department of Finance
S.05 17/11/2020	Finance Bill 2020 (Continued)	Minister Paschal Donohoe and Officials from the Department of Finance

S.06 18/11/2020	Finance Bill 2020 (Continued)	Minister Paschal Donohoe and Officials from the Department of Finance
S.07 25/11/2020	Consideration of Supplementary Estimate for Public Services 2020 - Vote 9 - Office of the Revenue Commissioners (Supplementary Estimate)	Mr. Seán Fleming, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Finance
S.08 02/12/2020	Investment Limited Partnerships (Amendment) Bill 2020: Committee Stage	Mr. Seán Fleming, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Finance

APPENDIX 6: Proceedings of the Select Committee (Imeachtaí) IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM AIRGEADAS, CAITEACHAS POIBLÍ AGUS ATHCHÓIRIÚ, AGUS TAOISEACH

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH

Dé Máirt, 6 Deireadh Fómhair, 2020 Tuesday, 6 October, 2020

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 1.30 p.m.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR. 1

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Seán Mac Aonghusa (i gCeannas), An Teachta Seán Ó Pléamonn (an tAire Stáit ag an Roinn Airgeadais), na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra, Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, Stiofán Mac Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin, Néil Richmond agus Peadar Tóibín.

Breithniú **MHEASTACHÁIN** 3. AR ATHBHREITHNITHE I GCOMHAIR SEIRBHÍSÍ Poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste na Meastacháin Athbhreithnithe seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig, 2020 -

> Vóta 7 - Oifig an Aire Airgeadais (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe)

> Vóta 8 - Oifig an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe)

Vóta 9 - Oifig na gCoimisinéirí Ioncaim (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe)

Vóta 10 Choimisiún Achomhairc Chanach (Meastachán 1. The Committee met at 1.30 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT.²

The following Members were present:

Deputy John McGuinness (in the Chair), Deputy Seán Fleming (Minister of State at the Department of Finance), Deputies Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Mairéad Farrell. Durkan. Steven Neale Matthews. Jim O'Callaghan, Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

3. CONSIDERATION OF REVISED ESTIMATES FOR PUBLIC SERVICES.

The Committee considered the following Estimates for Public Services for the year ending 31st December, 2020 -

> Vote 7 - Office of the Minister for Finance (Revised Estimate)

> Vote 8 - Office of the Comptroller Auditor General (Revised and Estimate)

> Vote 9 - Office of the Revenue Commissioners (Revised Estimate) Vote 10 - Tax Appeals Commission (Revised Estimate)

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¹ Ghlac an Teachta Seán Ó Pléamonn (Aire Stáit ag an Roinn Airgeadais) ionad an Aire Airgeadais [B.O. 106(1)].

² Deputy Seán Fleming (Minister of State at the Department of Finance) substituted for the Minister for Finance [S.O. 106(1)].

Athbhreithnithe)

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán Athbreithnithe.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 101 á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán Athbreithnithe. Consideration of the Revised Estimate was concluded.

Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 101 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Revised Estimate.

4. Athlá.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 2.50 p.m sine die.

4. Adjournment.

The Committee adjourned at 2.50 p.m sine die

JOHN MCGUINNESS, T.D. Chairman Date

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM AIRGEADAS, CAITEACHAS POIBLÍ AGUS ATHCHÓIRIÚ, AGUS TAOISEACH

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH

Dé Máirt, 17 Samhain 2020 Tuesday, 17 November 2020

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 2.05 p.m.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.³

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An teachta Seán Mac Aonghusa (i gCeannas), An teachta Pascal Ó Donnchú (an tAire Airgeadas), na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra, Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, Stiofán Mac Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin, Néil Richmond agus Peadar Tóibín.

- 1. The Committee met at 2.05 p.m.
- 2. Members Present.⁴

The following Members were present:

Deputy John McGuinness (in the Chair), Deputy Paschal Donohoe (Minister for Finance), Deputies Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Steven Matthews, Jim O'Callaghan, Neale Richmond and Peadar Tóibín.

3. AN BILLE AIRGEADAIS, 2020.

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh ailt 1 agus.
- (ii) Alt 3.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 5; Níl, 4.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Seán Mac Aonghusa, Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Stiofán Mac 3. FINANCE BILL 2020.

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Sections 1 and 2 agreed to.
- (ii) Section 3.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 5; Against, 4.

For:- Deputies John McGuinness, Bernard Durkan, Steven Matthews, Jim O'Callaghan

³ Ghlac an Teachta Marc Mac Searraigh, ionad an Teachta Seán Mac Aonghusa (ar feadh cuid den chruinniú) [B.O. 106(2)]. Bhí na Teachtaí Risteard Buíd Bairéid, Marian Uí Earcáin, Pringle, Tomás, Verona Uí Mhurchú, Ged de Nais, Seán Ó Ceannaigh agus Seán Ó Cathail i láthair [B.O. 106(3)].

⁴ Deputy Marc MacSharry substituted for Deputy John McGuinness (for part of the meeting) [S.O. 106(2)]. Deputies Denis Naughten, Richard Boyd Barrett, Marian Harkin, Thomas Pringle, Verona Murphy, Ged Nash, Sean Canney and Jackie Cahill attended [S.O. 106(3)].

Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin, Néil Richmond.

and Neale Richmond.

Níl:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra, Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, agus Peadar Tóibín. Against:- Deputies Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Mairéad Farrell, and Peadar Tóibín..

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis glacadh leis an gCeist – *aontaíodh an t-alt*.

The Question was declared carried accordingly – *section agreed to*.

(iii) Aontaíodh ailt 4, 5 agus 6.

(iii) Sections 4, 5 and 6 agreed to.

(iv) Alt 7.

(iv) Section 7.

Tairgeadh leasú 2 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 2 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 3 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 3 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

Section agreed to.

(v) Aontaíodh ailt 8 agus 9.

(v) Sections 8 and 9 agreed to.

(vi) Alt 10.

(vi) Section 10.

Tairgeadh leasú 4 (*An teachta Donnacha Ó Neachtain*), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 4 (*Deputy Denis Naughten*), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 5 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 5 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 6 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 6 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 7 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 7 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 8 (An teachta Risteard Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó.

Amendment 8 (Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett), proposed and negatived.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

Section *agreed to*.

(vi) Alt 11. Tairgeadh leasú 9 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	(vi) Section 11. Amendment 9 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 10 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 10 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 11 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 11 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 12 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 12 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 13 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 13 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 14 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 14 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 15 (an tAire an Roinn airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 15 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 16 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 16 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 17 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 17 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 18 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 18 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 19 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 19 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 20 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 20 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 21 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 21 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 22 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 22 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 23 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 23 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 24 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 24 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .

Amendment 25 (Minister for Finance)

Tairgeadh leasú 25 (an tAire Airgeadas),

agus aontaíodh an leasú. Tairgeadh leasú 26 (an tAire Airgeadas) agus cinneadh aontach a rinneadh air.	proposed and agreed to. Amendment 26 (Minister for Finance) proposed and decided in the affirmative.
Tairgeadh leasú 27 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 27 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 28 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 28 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 29 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 29 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 30 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 30 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 31 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 31 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 32 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 32 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 33 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 33 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 34 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 34 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 35 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 35 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 37 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 37 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 38 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 38 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 40 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 40 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 41 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 41 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 42 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 42 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 43 (An teachta Risteard Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó.	Amendment 43 (Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett), proposed and negatived.
Tairgeadh leasú 45 (an tAire Airgeadas),	Amendment 45 (Minister for Finance)

agus aontaíodh an leasú. Tairgeadh leasú 46 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	proposed and agreed to. Amendment 46 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 47 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 47 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 48 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 48 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 49 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 49 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 50 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 50 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 51 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 51 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 52 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 52 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 53 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 53 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 54 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 54 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 55 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 56 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 57 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 57 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 58 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 58 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 59 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 59 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 60 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 60 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 61 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 61 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 62 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 62 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 63 (an tAire Airgeadas),	Amendment 63 (Minister for Finance)

agus aontaíodh an leasú. Tairgeadh leasú 64 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	proposed and agreed to. Amendment 64 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 65 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 65 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 66 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 66 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 67 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 67 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 68 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 68 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 69 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 69 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 70 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 70 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 71 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 71 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 72 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 72 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 73 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 73 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 74 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 74 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 75 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 75 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 76 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 76 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 77 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 77 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 78 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 78 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 79 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 79 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 80 (Minister for Finance)

Tairgeadh leasú 80 (an tAire Airgeadas),

agus aontaíodh an leasú. Tairgeadh leasú 81 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	proposed and agreed to. Amendment 81 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 82 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 82 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 83 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 83 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 84 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 84 (<i>Minister for Finance</i>) proposed and <i>agreed to</i> .
Tairgeadh leasú 85 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 85 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 86 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 86 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 87 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 87 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 88 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 88 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 89 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 89 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 90 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 90 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 91 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 91 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 92 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 92 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 93 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 93 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 94 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 94 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 95 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 95 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 97 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 97 (Minister for Finance) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 98 (Minister for Finance)

Tairgeadh leasú 98 (an tAire Airgeadas),

agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 99 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 100 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 102 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh.)

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 4; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra, Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, agus Peadar Tóibín

Níl:- *An teachta* Pascal Ó Donnchú (*an tAire Airgeadas*), Na Teachtaí Seán Mac Aonghusa (*i gCeannas*), Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Stiofán Mac Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin agus Néil Richmond.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

Tairgeadh leasú 103 (An teachta Risteard Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 104 (An teachta Risteard Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(vii) Aontaíodh ailt 12, 13 agus 14.

(viii) Alt 15.

Tairgeadh leasú 105 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 106 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 107 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 108 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 99 (*Minister for Finance*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 100 (*Minister for Finance*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 102 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 4; Against, 6.

For:- Deputies Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Mairéad Farrell, and Peadar Tóibín.

Against:- Deputy Paschal Donohoe (*Minister for Finance*), Deputies John McGuinness (in the Chair), Bernard Durkan, Steven Matthews, Jim O'Callaghan and Neale Richmond.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Amendment 103 (Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett), proposed and negatived.

Amendment 104 (Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett), proposed and negatived.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(vii) Sections 12, 13 and 14 agreed to.

(viii) Section 15.

Amendment 105 (*Minister for Finance*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 106 (*Minister for Finance*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 107 (*Minister for Finance*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 108 (*Minister for Finance*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 109 (Minister for Finance) Tairgeadh leasú 109 (an tAire Airgeadas), proposed and agreed to. agus aontaíodh an leasú. Tairgeadh leasú 110 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 110 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Amendment 111 (Minister for Finance) Tairgeadh leasú 111 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 112 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 112 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 113 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 113 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 114 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 114 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Amendment 115 (Minister for Finance) Tairgeadh leasú 115 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 116 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 116 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 117 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 117 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Amendment 118 (Minister for Finance) Tairgeadh leasú 118 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 119 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 119 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 120 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 120 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 121 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 121 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. Section, as amended, agreed to. (ix) Section 16. (ix) Alt 16. Tairgeadh leasú 122 (An teachta Piaras Ó Amendment 122 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh.) proposed. Cuireadh an Cheist. Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 4; Against, 6.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 4; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra, Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, agus Peadar Tóibín For:- Deputies Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Mairéad Farrell, and Peadar Tóibín.

Níl:- An teachta Pascal Ó Donnchú (an tAire Airgeadas), Na Teachtaí Seán Mac Aonghusa (i gCeannas), Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Stiofán Mac Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin agus Néil Richmond.

Against:- Deputy Paschal Donohoe (*Minister for Finance*), Deputies John McGuinness (in the Chair), Bernard Durkan, Steven Matthews, Jim O'Callaghan and Neale Richmond.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Tairgeadh leasú 123 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh.)

Amendment 123 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Question put.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 4; Níl, 6.

The Committee divided: For, 4; Against, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra, Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, agus Peadar Tóibín For:- Deputies Mick Barry, Pearse Doherty, Mairéad Farrell, and Peadar Tóibín.

Níl:- *An teachta* Pascal Ó Donnchú (*an tAire Airgeadas*), Na Teachtaí Seán Mac Aonghusa (*i gCeannas*), Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Stiofán Mac Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin agus Néil Richmond.

Against:- Deputy Paschal Donohoe (*Minister for Finance*), Deputies John McGuinness (in the Chair), Bernard Durkan, Steven Matthews, Jim O'Callaghan and Neale Richmond.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

Section agreed to.

(x) Aontaíodh ailt 17 go 20, go huile.

(x) Sections 17 to 20, inclusive, agreed to.

(xi) Alt 21.

(xi) Section 21.

Tairgeadh leasú 126 (An teachta Risteard Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó.

Amendment 126 (Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett), proposed and negatived.

Tairgeadh leasú 127 (An teachta Risteard Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó.

Amendment 127 (*Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett*), proposed and *negatived*.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

Section agreed to.

(xii) Alt 22.

(xii) Section 22.

Tairgeadh leasú 128 (an tAire Airgeadas),

Amendment 128 (Minister for Finance)

agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Section, as amended, agreed to. Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. (xii) Aontaíodh ailt 23 go 33, go huile. (xii) Sections 23 to 33, inclusive, agreed to. (xiii) Alt 34. (xiii) Section 34. Tairgeadh leasú 137 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 137 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 138 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 138 (*Minister for Finance*) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Amendment 139 (Deputy Denis Naughten) Tairgeadh leasú 139 (An teachta Donnacha Ó Neachtain) agus diúltaíodh proposed and *negatived*. dó. Tairgeadh leasú 140 (An teachta Risteard Amendment 140 (Deputy Richard Boyd Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó. Barrett), proposed and negatived. Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. Section, as amended, agreed to. (xiv) Aontaíodh ailt 23 agus 33. (xiv) Sections 35 and 36 agreed to. (xv) Alt 37. (xv) Section 37. Tairgeadh leasú 141 (An teachta Risteard Amendment 141 (Deputy Richard Boyd Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó. Barrett), proposed and negatived. Aontaíodh an t-alt. Aontaíodh an t-alt. (xvi) Aontaíodh ailt 38 go 41, go huile. (xvi) Sections 38 to 41, inclusive, agreed to. (xvii) Alt 42. (xvii) Section 42. Tairgeadh leasú 143 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 143 (*Minister for Finance*) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 144 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 144 (*Minister for Finance*) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 145 (An teachta Amendment 145 (Deputy Denis Naughten) Donnacha Ó Neachtain) agus diúltaíodh proposed and *negatived*. dó. Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. Section, as amended, agreed to. (xviii) Sections 43, 44 and 45 agreed to. (xviii) Aontaíodh ailt 43, 44 agus 45. (xix) Alt 46. (xix) Section 46.

Tairgeadh leasú 146 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh.)

Amendment 146 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Question put.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 3; Níl, 6.

The Committee divided: For, 3; Against, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, agus Peadar Tóibín For:- Deputies Pearse Doherty, Mairéad Farrell, and Peadar Tóibín.

Níl:- An teachta Pascal Ó Donnchú (an tAire Airgeadas), Na Teachtaí Seán Mac Aonghusa (i gCeannas), Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Stiofán Mac Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin agus Néil Richmond.

Against:- Deputy Paschal Donohoe (*Minister for Finance*), Deputies John McGuinness (in the Chair), Bernard Durkan, Steven Matthews, Jim O'Callaghan and Neale Richmond.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

Section *agreed to*.

(xx) Aontaíodh ailt 47 go 50, go huile.

(xx) Sections 47 to 50, inclusive, agreed to.

(xxi) Alt 51.

(xxi) Section 51.

Tairgeadh leasú 147 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 147 (*Deputy Pearse Doherty*), proposed and, by leave, *withdrawn*.

Tairgeadh leasú 148 (An teachta Piaras Ó Dochartaigh.)

Amendment 148 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), proposed.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Question put.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 3; Níl, 6.

The Committee divided: For, 3; Against, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Piaras Ó Dochartaigh, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, agus Peadar Tóibín

For:- Deputies Pearse Doherty, Mairéad Farrell, and Peadar Tóibín.

Níl:- *An teachta* Pascal Ó Donnchú (*an tAire Airgeadas*), Na Teachtaí Seán Mac Aonghusa (*i gCeannas*), Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Stiofán Mac Mathúna, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin agus Néil Richmond.

Against:- Deputy Paschal Donohoe (*Minister for Finance*), Deputies John McGuinness (in the Chair), Bernard Durkan, Steven Matthews, Jim O'Callaghan and Neale Richmond.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Tairgeadh leasú 149 (An teachta Piaras Ó Amendment 149 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. leasú, faoi chead. Aontaíodh an t-alt. Section agreed to. (xxi) Aontaíodh ailt 52 agus 53. (xxi) Sections 52 and 53 agreed to. (xxii) Alt 54. (xxii) Section 54. Tairgeadh leasú 153 (Ant Teachta Mairéad Amendment 153 (Deputy Mairead Farrell), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. Ní Fhearghail) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 154 (An teachta Mairéad Amendment 154 (Deputy Mairead Farrell) Ní Fhearghail)agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and *negatived*. Tairgeadh leasú 155 (An teachta Mairéad Amendment 155 (Deputy Mairead Farrell), Ní Fhearghail) agus tarraingíodh siar an proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 156 (An teachta Donnacha Amendment 156 (Deputy Denis Naughten), Neachtain) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 158 (An teachta Donnacha Amendment 156 (Deputy Denis Naughten), Neachtain) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 159 (An teachta Donnacha Amendment 159 (Deputy Denis Naughten), Neachtain) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 160 (An teachta Donnacha Amendment 160 (Deputy Denis Naughten), Neachtain) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 161 (An teachta Piaras Amendment 161 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 162 (An teachta Piaras Amendment 162 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 164 (An teachta Piaras

Tairgeadh leasú 163 (An teachta Piaras

Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea

faoi chead.

Amendment 164 (Deputy Pearse Doherty),

Amendment 163 (Deputy Pearse Doherty),

proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Dochartaigh) agus tarraingíodh siar an lea proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 165 (An teachta Piaras Ó Amendment 165 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh), agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and *negatived*. Tairgeadh leasú 166 (An teachta Piaras Ó Amendment 166 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh), agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and *negatived*. Tairgeadh leasú 168 (An teachta Piaras Ó Amendment 168 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh), agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and negatived. Tairgeadh leasú 169 (An teachta Piaras Ó Amendment 169 (Deputy Pearse Doherty), Dochartaigh), agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and *negatived*. Tairgeadh leasú 171 (An teachta Risteard Amendment 171 (Deputy Richard Boyd Buíd Bairéid), agus diúltaíodh dó. Barrett), proposed and negatived. Aontaíodh an t-alt. Section agreed to. (xxiii) Sections 55 to 59, inclusive, agreed (xxiii) Aontaíodh ailt 55 go 59, go huile. to. (xxiv) Alt 60. (xxiv) Section 60. Tairgeadh leasú 173 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 173 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 174 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 174 (*Minister for Finance*) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 175 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 175 (*Minister for Finance*) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. Section, as amended, agreed to. (xxv) Alt 61. (xxv) Section 61. Tairgeadh leasú 176 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 176 (*Minister for Finance*) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 177 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 177 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 178 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 178 (Minister for Finance) agus aontaíodh an leasú. proposed and agreed to. Tairgeadh leasú 179 (an tAire Airgeadas), Amendment 179 (Minister for Finance)

agus aontaíodh an leasú.

proposed and agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 180 (an tAire Airgeadas), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Amendment 180 (Minister for Finance)

proposed and agreed to.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxvi) Aontaíodh ailt 62 go 74, go huile.

(xxvi) Sections 62 to 74, inclusive, agreed

to.

(xxvii) Aontaíodh an Teideal.

(xxvii) Title agreed to.

4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 2.25 p.m.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 2.25 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 nach raibh aon leasú déanta aige air.

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

6. Athlá.

6. Adjournment.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 1 p.m Déardaoin, 19 Samhain, *sine die*.

The Committee adjourned at 1 p.m on Thursday, 19 November, *sine die*.

JOHN MCGUINNESS, T.D. Chairman Date

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM AIRGEADAS, CAITEACHAS POIBLÍ AGUS ATHCHÓIRIÚ, AGUS TAOISEACH

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH

Dé Céadaoin, 25 Samhain, 2020 Wednesday, 25 November, 2020

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

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Seán Mac Aonghusa (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Seán Ó Pléamonn (an tAire Stáit ag an Roinn Airgeadais), na Teachtaí Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin agus Peadar Tóibín.

3. Breithniú ar Mheastacháin Forlíontacha i gComhair Seirbhísí Poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste na Meastacháin Athbhreithnithe seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig, 2020 –

Vóta 9 – Oifig na gCoimisinéirí Ioncaim (Meastachán Forlíontacha)

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán Forlíontacha.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 101 á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán Forlíontacha.

- 1. The Committee met at 2 p.m.
- 2. Members Present.

The following Members were present:

Deputy John McGuinness (in the Chair), Deputy Seán Fleming (Minister of State at the Department of Finance), Deputies Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan and Peadar Tóibín.

3. Consideration of Supplementary Estimates for Public Services.

The Committee considered the following Estimates for Public Services for the year ending 31st December, 2020 –

Vote 9 – Office of the Revenue Commissioners (Supplementary Estimate)

Consideration of the Supplementary Estimate was concluded.

Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 101 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Supplementary Estimate.

4. Athlá.	4. Adjournment.
Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 2.25 p.m sine die.	The Committee adjourned at 2.25 p.m <i>sine die</i> .
	JOHN MCGUINNESS, T.D. Chairman Date

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM AIRGEADAS, CAITEACHAS POIBLÍ AGUS ATHCHÓIRIÚ, AGUS TAOISEACH

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM, AND TAOISEACH

Dé Céadaoin, 2 Nollaig, 2020 Wednesday, 2 December 2020

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 2.05 p.m.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.⁵

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Seán Mac Aonghusa (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Seán Ó Pléamonn (an tAire Stáit ag an Roinn Airgeadais), na Teachtaí Bearnard Mac Dhurcáin, Mairéad Ní Fhearghail, Stiofán Mac Mathúna agus Séamus Ó Ceallacháin.

3. An Bille um Chomhpháirtíochtaí Teoranta Infheistíochta (Leasú), 2020.

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontaíodh ailt 1 go 64, go huile.
- (ii) Aontaíodh an Teideal.
- 4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 2.25 p.m.

5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á

- 1. The Committee met at 2.05 p.m.
- 2. MEMBERS PRESENT.⁶

The following Members were present:

Deputy John McGuinness (in the Chair), Deputy Seán Fleming (Minister of State at the Department of Finance), Deputies Bernard Durkan, Mairéad Farrell, Steven Matthews and Jim O'Callaghan.

3. INVESTMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2020.

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Sections 1 to 64, inclusive, agreed to.
- (ii) Title agreed to.
- 4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 2.25 p.m.

5. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it

⁵ Ghlac an Teachta Seán Ó Pléamonn (an tAire Stáit ag an Roinn Airgeadais), ionad an tAire Airgeadais [B.O. 106(1)].

⁶ Deputy Seán Fleming (Minister of State at the Department of Finance) substituted for the Minister for Finance [S.O. 106(1)].

chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus nach raibh aon leasú déanta aige air. that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made no amendment thereto.

6. Athlá.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 2.25 p.m sine die.

6. Adjournment.

The Committee adjourned at 2.25 p.m sine die.

JOHN MCGUINNESS, T.D. Chairman Date