

Dé Céadaoin, 4 Deireadh Fómhair, 2006
Wednesday, 4th October, 2006

10.30 a.m.

ORD GNÓ
ORDER OF BUSINESS

- a1.** An Bille um Thrácht ar Bhóithre agus Iompar 2006 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.
Road Traffic and Transport Bill 2006 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.
- 17.** (l) Bille na bPaitinní (Leasú) 1999 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.
(a) Patents (Amendment) Bill 1999 — Order for Report.
- 2.** An Bille um an Dlí Sibhialta (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2006 — An Dara Céim
(*atógáil*).
Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2006 — Second Stage (*resumed*).
- 3.** An Bille Toghcháin (Leasú) 2006 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Electoral (Amendment) Bill 2006 — Order for Second Stage.

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA
PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

- 52.** Tairiscint *maidir le* Tuarascáil ón Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste do 2005
(*atógáil*).
Motion *re* Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for 2005 (*resumed*).

FÓGRA I dTAOBH GNÓ NUA
NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

- 15a.** Tairiscint *maidir le* Ceadú beartaithe ag Dáil Éireann i ndáil le díorma de na Buan-Óglaigh a chur chun bealaigh le bheith ar fianas le Fórsa Eatramhach na Náisiún Aontaithe sa Liobáin (UNIFIL).
Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the despatch of a contingent of the Permanent Defence Force for service with the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL).

IDTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad

- a1.** An Bille um Thrácht ar Bhóithre agus Iompar 2006 [Seanad] — An Dara Céim.
Road Traffic and Transport Bill 2006 [Seanad] — Second Stage.

Billí a thionscnamh : Initiation of Bills

Tíolactha:
Presented:

- 3.** An Bille Toghcháin (Leasú) 2006 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Electoral (Amendment) Bill 2006 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú maidir le postvótáil i dtoghcháin agus i reifrinn ag daoine atá i bpriosún sa Stát agus atá i dteideal vótáil i dtoghcháin agus i reifrinn; do leasú Acht Toghchán an Uachtaráin 1993, an Achta um Thoghcháin do Pharlaimint na hEorpa 1997 agus achtachán áirithe eile agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to provide for postal voting at elections and referendums by persons who are imprisoned in the State and who are eligible to vote at elections and referendums; to amend the Presidential Elections Act 1993, the European Parliament Elections Act 1997 and certain other enactments and to provide for related matters.

— *An tAire Comhshaoil, Oidhreachta agus Rialtais Áitiúil.*

Fógraí Tairisceana : Notices of Motions

- 15a.** “Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann, de bhun alt 2 den Acht Cosanta (Leasú) (Uimh. 2) 1960, arna chur chun feidhme leis an Acht Cosanta (Leasú), 2006, díorma de na Buan-Óglaigh a chur chun bealaigh le bheith ar fianas le Fórsa Eatramhach na Náisiún Aontaithe sa Liobáin (UNIFIL), arna bhunú an 19 Mártá, 1978 faoi Rúin 425 (1978) agus 426 (1978) ó Chomhairle Slándála na Náisiún Aontaithe agus de réir an tsainordaithe feabhsaithe breise atá aige mar atá leagtha amach i Rún 1701 (2006) an 11 Lúnasa, 2006 ó Chomhairle Slándála na Náisiún Aontaithe.

That Dáil Éireann approves the despatch, pursuant to section 2 of the Defence (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 1960, as applied by the Defence (Amendment) Act 2006, of a contingent of the Permanent Defence Force for service with the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), established on 19th March, 1978 under UN Security Council Resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978) and in accordance with its additional enhanced mandate as set out in UN Security Council Resolution 1701 (2006) of 11th August, 2006.”

— *An tAire Cosanta.*

ORDUITHE AN LAE ORDERS OF THE DAY

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- 2.** An Bille um an Dlí Sibhialta (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2006 — An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).
Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2006 — Second Stage (*resumed*).

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA
PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Tairiscint (atógáil) (1 ur. 30 n fágtha):

Motion (resumed) (1 hr. 30 m remaining):

52. “That Dáil Éireann:

- notes with serious concern the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for 2005 provides continuing evidence of shocking waste and overspending on a range of public projects as well as the on-going recurrence of serious tax evasion;
- deplores the continuing incompetence, mismanagement and failure to ensure that taxpayers get value for money, highlighted in the successive Reports of the C & AG;
- condemns the failure of the Government to take any action to ensure better value for money since the 2004 Report was published at this time last year; and
- calls on the Government to implement the proposals for reform of public expenditure management set out in ‘*The Buck Stops Here*’, published by Fine Gael and the Labour Party to overhaul the system of public expenditure management, including the need for:
 - clear lines of accountability for Ministers in the discharge of their duties;
 - enhanced capacity in the civil service in terms of professional skills and training in the management of major projects;
 - a major overhaul of the expenditure evaluation process;
 - the establishment of a gateway system for major capital projects;
 - clear transparency when Ministers intervene to fast-track projects;
 - the establishment of a Public Buying Office to manage public procurement;
 - steps to ensure that public bodies are accountable to the Dáil through Ministers;
 - reform of the estimates process to make it more timely and enhance Dáil scrutiny of public expenditure before it takes place, including the establishment within the Dáil of an Estimates Commissioner; and
 - reform of the entire budgetary process to sharpen the focus of spending on strategic priorities, value for money, delivery at the frontline and to ensure tax reliefs represent good use of taxpayer money.” — *Joan Burton, Richard Bruton, Pat Rabbitte, Enda Kenny, Liz McManus, Emmet Stagg, Thomas P. Broughan, Joe Costello, Eamon Gilmore, Michael D. Higgins, Brendan Howlin, Kathleen Lynch, Breeda Moynihan-Cronin, Brian O’Shea, Jan O’Sullivan, Seamus Pattison, Willie Penrose, Ruairí Quinn, Séan Ryan, Joe Sherlock, Róisín Shortall, Mary Upton, Jack Wall, Bernard Allen, Pat Breen, Paul Connaughton, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Padraic McCormack, Shane McEntee, Dinny McGinley, Paul McGrath, Gay Mitchell, Olivia Mitchell, Gerard Murphy, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Fergus O’Dowd, Jim O’Keeffe, John Perry, Michael Ring, David Stanton, Billy Timmins, Liam Twomey.*

[3 October, 2006]

P.T.O.

Leasú (atógáil):

Amendment (resumed):

1. To delete all words after “Dáil Éireann” and substitute the following:

- “— notes the Annual Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on the 2005 Appropriation Accounts and that in line with normal procedure it will now be passed for scrutiny to the Public Accounts Committee;
 - acknowledges the need to pursue best practice in the management of public expenditure to ensure value for money for the taxpayer, and in this regard commends the initiatives taken by Government in recent years to promote more efficient and effective management of expenditure including:
 - the introduction in 2004 of rolling multi-annual capital envelopes for better management and control of public capital programmes and projects;
 - the publication in February 2005 of new guidelines for the appraisal and management of capital expenditure proposals in the public sector;
 - the additional value for money measures in relation to major projects and ICT projects and consultancies announced in October 2005;
 - the introduction this year of new arrangements for value for money policy reviews in place of expenditure reviews;
 - the establishment of a Central Expenditure Evaluation Unit in the Department of Finance to promote best practice in evaluation and ensure compliance by Departments and agencies with value for money requirements;
 - recent reforms to the procurement of public construction contracts and reform and modernisation of the system for employing construction related consultants;
 - the introduction of the National Public Procurement Policy Framework for implementation by public bodies, in particular the development of Corporate Procurement Plans that set targets for achieving savings and broad value for money objectives; and
 - reforms to the Estimates and Budget process announced in Budget 2006;
 - notes the measures taken to improve tax compliance; and
 - acknowledges the major improvements in public services since 1997 arising from the very significant level of resources allocated by Government over that period.”
- An tAire Airgeadais.*
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MEMORANDA

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Fhiontraíocht agus Mionghnóthaí i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Enterprise and Small Business in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Fhochoiste um Thuarascáil Barron faoi Bhuamáil Kay's Tavern, Dún Dealgan i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Sub-Committee on the Barron Report on the Bombing of Kay's Tavern, Dundalk in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

Cruinníú den Chomhchoiste um Chumarsáid, Muir agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 2 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Communications, Marine and Natural Resources in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 2 p.m.

Cruinníú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 2 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 2 p.m.

Cruinníú den Chomhchoiste um Iompar i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Transport in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

Cruinníú den Chomhchoiste um Thalmhaíocht agus Bia i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 3 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 3 p.m.

Cruinníú den Chomhchoiste um Airgeadas agus an tSeirbhís Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 4.15 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Finance and the Public Service in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 4.15 p.m.

SCRÍBHINNÍ A LEAGADH FAOI BHRÁID NA DÁLA DOCUMENTS LAID BEFORE THE DÁIL

Reachtúil:

Statutory:

- 1) Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ón gComhairle maidir le bearta sriantacha áirithe i leith na Liobáine mar aon le nota-faisnéise míniúcháin. Com (2006) 488.
- 2) Na Rialacháin Leasa Shóisialaigh (Forá-lacha Íocaíochtaí Comhdhlúite) (Leasú) (Uimh. 9) (Íocaíocht Teaghlach Aontuis-mitheora) (Tuillimh a Mheasúnú) 2006 (I.R. Uimh. 486 de 2006).
- 3) Na Rialacháin Leasa Shóisialaigh (Forá-lacha Íocaíochtaí Comhdhlúite) (Leasú) (Uimh. 10) (Sochar Cóireála) 2006 (I.R. Uimh. 487 de 2006).
- 4) Na Rialacháin Leasa Shóisialaigh (Forá-lacha Íocaíochtaí Comhdhlúite) (Leasú) (Uimh. 11) (Íocaíochtaí Cúitimh) 2006 (I.R. Uimh. 497 de 2006).
- 5) Na Rialacháin Leasa Shóisialaigh (Forá-lacha Sealadacha) 2005 (I.R. Uimh. 684 de 2005).
- 1) Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning certain restrictive measures in respect of Lebanon together with explanatory information note. Com (2006) 488.
- 2) Social Welfare (Consolidated Payments Provisions) (Amendment) (No. 9) (One-Parent Family Payment) (Assessment of Earnings) Regulations 2006 (S.I. No. 486 of 2006).
- 3) Social Welfare (Consolidated Payments Provisions) (Amendment) (No. 10) (Treatment Benefit) Regulations, 2006 (S.I. No. 487 of 2006).
- 4) Social Welfare (Consolidated Payments Provisions) (Amendment) (No. 11) (Compensation Payments) Regulations 2006 (S.I. No. 497 of 2006).
- 5) Social Welfare (Temporary Provisions) Regulations 2005 (S.I. No. 684 of 2005).

Neamhreachtíil:

- 1) An tOrdú um an mBord Athbhreithnithe Meabhair-Shláinte (An Dlí Coiriúil) (Lá Bunaithe) 2006 (I.R. Uimh. 499 de 2006).
- 2) Ioncam agus Caiteachas Náisiúnta, 2005.
- 3) Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Táirgí Cosmaideacha) (Leasú) (Uimh. 4) 2006 (I.R. Uimh. 506 de 2006).
- 4) Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Leas Sóisialach) (Ranníocaí Comhdhlúite agus Inárachaitheacht) (Leasú) (Ranníocaí Creidiúnaithe Saoire do Thuismitheoirí) 2005 (I.R. Uimh. 685 de 2005).
- 5) Faisnéis Staidrimh ar Sheirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh, 2005.
- 6) An Comhchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí. Tuarascáil ar Chruinniú Ard-Leibhéal 2006 i leith AIDS — Na Náisiúin Aontaithe, Nua-Eabhrac agus ar an gCuairt ar Bhostún chun Bille um Scéim Árachais Sláinte Uilechoiteann a phlé, 31 Bealtaine - 2 Meitheamh, 2006.
- 7) Doiciméid a ndearna an Taoiseach tagairt dóibh ina Ráiteas sa Dáil an 3 Deireadh Fómhair, 2006 [maidir le: Deutsche Bank (Oileán Mhuirís) Teoranta].

Non-Statutory:

- 1) Mental Health (Criminal Law) Review Board (Establishment Day) Order 2006 (S.I. No. 499 of 2006).
- 2) National Income and Expenditure, 2005.
- 3) European Communities (Cosmetic Products) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2006 (S.I. No. 506 of 2006).
- 4) European Communities (Social Welfare) (Consolidated Contributions and Insurability) (Amendment) (Parental Leave Credited Contributions) Regulations 2005 (S.I. No. 685 of 2005).
- 5) Statistical Information on Social Welfare Services, 2005.
- 6) Joint Committee on Health and Children. Report on 2006 High Level Meeting on AIDS — United Nations, New York and Visit to Boston to discuss Universal Health Insurance Scheme Bill, 31 May - 2 June, 2006.
- 7) Documents referred to by the Taoiseach in his Dáil Statement on 3 October, 2006 [re: Deutsche Bank (Mauritius) Limited].