

DÁIL ÉIREANN

Déardaoin, 30 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008 Thursday, 30th October, 2008

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10.30 a.m.

ORD GNÓ ORDER OF BUSINESS

2. An Bille um Éilliú a Chosc (Leasú) 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim. Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

- **45.** (*l*) Tairiscint *maidir le* Ciorruithe Oideachais (*atógáil*).
 - (a) Motion re Educational Cuts (resumed).

I dTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Billí a thionscnamh: Initiation of Bills

Tíolactha: Presented:

2. An Bille um Éilliú a Chosc (Leasú) 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim. Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú an *Prevention of Corruption Act* 1906 agus an Achta um Éilliú a Chosc (Leasú) 2001, agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906 and the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act 2001, and to provide for related matters.

—An tAire Dlí agus Cirt, Comhionannais agus Athchóirithe Dlí.

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Tairscint (atógáil) (1 ur. 30 n. fágtha): Motion (resumed) (1 hr. 30 m. remaining):

45. "That Dáil Éireann deplores the series of educational cuts announced in the budget and subsequently by the Minister for Education and Science; expresses its serious concern at the damage these cuts will cause to the education system and to the future prospects of our children; and calls on the Government, in particular, to reverse the decision to increase class sizes at first and second level." — Ruairí Quinn, Eamon Gilmore, Joan Burton, Emmet Stagg, Thomas P. Broughan, Joe Costello, Michael D. Higgins, Brendan Howlin, Kathleen Lynch, Ciarán Lynch, Liz McManus, Brian O'Shea, Jan O'Sullivan, Willie Penrose, Pat Rabbitte, Seán Sherlock, Róisín Shortall, Joanna Tuffy, Mary Upton, Jack Wall.

[29 October, 2008]

Leasú (atógáil): Amendment (resumed):

- 1. To delete all words after "Dáil Éireann" and substitute the following:
- "— recognises, given the difficult economic circumstances, the necessity to stabilise the public finances and that taking difficult expenditure decisions and choices at this time is essential in order to ensure that public services, including education, can be sustained and improved in the long run;
- notes that the expenditure control measures in the education sector must be considered in the context of the Government's significant investment in education which has increased spending by over 300% since 1997, which has provided for significant improvements in resources and infrastructure across the sector including:
 - 15,000 extra teachers working in our primary and post-primary schools;
 - the targeting of additional supports and resources for children with special education needs with over 19,000 teachers and special needs assistants now working with these children in our schools;
 - the targeting of additional supports and funding to schools in the most disadvantaged areas under the Department's DEIS (Delivering Equality of

Opportunity in Schools) Action Plan;

- the significant capital expenditure of over €586 million this year alone for the school building programme compared to just €92 million in 1997;
- notes the longstanding role of partnership in education and the Government commitment to continuing to work constructively with the partners to build on past achievements and improve educational outcomes for all our students;
- acknowledges that the education budget for 2009 shows a 3.2% increase on 2008, despite serious pressures on public finances and major challenges to our economic and social well being; and
- recognises that these expenditure control measures, while necessary in the current circumstances, will be considered further by Government, in the context of prevailing economic circumstances, at the earliest possible opportunity." An tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta.

MEMORANDA

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Cruinniú den Fhochoiste um thodhchaí na hÉireann san Aontas Eorpach i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Ireland's future in the European Union in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Choiste um Chuntais Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 10 a.m. Meeting of the Committee of Public Accounts in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 10 a.m.

An Bille um Inimirce, Cónaí agus Cosaint 2008: Immigration, Residence and Protection Bill 2008:

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 10 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Fhorfheidhmiú Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 11.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on the Implementation of the Good Friday Agreement in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 11.30 a.m.

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

Reachtúil: Statutory:

- 1) An Coimisiún um Rialáil Cumarsáide. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus Cuntais don bhliain dar chríoch Meitheamh, 2007.
- 2) Acht an Gharda Síochana 2005. Treoirlínte i leith Comhchoistí Póilíneachta [2008].
- 3) Bord Comhairleach Achtanna na Leanaí (ar a dtugtaí An Bord Seirbhísí Cónaithe Speisialta roimhe seo). Ráitis Airgeadais don bhliain dar chríoch an 31 Nollaig, 2007.
- 4) Na hAchtanna um Eitic in Oifigí Poiblí 1995 agus 2001. Ráiteas Leasaithe faoi alt 29 de na hAchtanna thuasluaite maidir leis an Uasal Tomás Ó Ceit T.D., don tréimhse chlárúcháin 15 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008 go 31 Nollaig, 2008 (29 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008).

- 1) Commission for Communications Regulation. Annual Report and Accounts for year ended June, 2007.
- 2) Garda Síochána Act 2005. Joint Policing Committees Guidelines [2008].
- 3) The Children Acts Advisory Board (formerly known as The Special Residential Services Board). Financial Statements year ended 31 December, 2007.
- 4) Ethics in Public Office Acts 1995 and 2001. Amended Statement under section 29 of the above mentioned Acts in respect of Mr. Tom Kitt, T.D., for the registration period 15 October, 2008 to 31 December, 2008 (29 October, 2008).