



DÁIL ÉIREANN

Dé Máirt, 27 Eanáir, 2009
Tuesday, 27th January, 2009

RIAR NA hOIBRE
ORDER PAPER

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2.30 p.m.

ORD GNÓ
ORDER OF BUSINESS

8. Tairiscint *maidir le* Róta na nAirí i gcomhair Ceisteanna Parlaiminte.
Motion *re* Ministerial Rota for Parliamentary Questions.
9. Tairiscint *maidir le* Ceadú beartaithe ag Dáil Éireann i ndáil leis an Ordú fán Acht um Choimisiún chun Drochúsáid Leanaí a Fhiosrú 2000 (Alt 5) (Tréimhse Shonraithe) 2009.
Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (Section 5) (Specified Period) Order 2009.
15. An Bille fán Scéim um Thacaíocht Tithe Banaltrais 2008 — An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).
Nursing Homes Support Scheme Bill 2008 — Second Stage (*resumed*).

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48. Tairiscint *maidir le* Cosaint Leanaí.
Motion *re* Child Protection.

I dTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ
AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad

1. An Bille um Eitic in Oifigí Poiblí (Leasú) 2007 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.
Ethics in Public Office (Amendment) Bill 2007 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

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2. Bille na dTithe (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2008 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.
Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2008 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

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3. An Bille Carthanas 2007 — Leasuithe ón Seanad.
Charities Bill 2007 — Amendments from the Seanad.

Billí a thionscnamh : Initiation of Bills

Tiolactha:
Presented:

4. An Bille Fíneálacha 2007 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Fines Bill 2007 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú i ndáil leis na fíneálacha uasta a fhéadfaidh cúirt a fhorchur i leith cionta a thriailtear go hachomair agus cionta áirithe a thriailtear ar díotáil; do dhéanamh socrú go ndéanfaidh cúirt, a mbeidh fíneáil á forchur aici ar dhuine a chiontú i gcion, dálaí airgeadais duine a chur i gcuntas; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le fíneálacha den sórt sin a íoc ina dtráthchodanna in imthosca áirithe; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an méid sin.

Bill entitled an Act to make provision in relation to the maximum fines that a court may impose in respect of offences tried summarily and certain offences tried on indictment; to provide that a court in imposing a fine upon conviction of a person of an offence shall take account of a person's financial circumstances; to provide for the payment of such fines by instalment in certain circumstances; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

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

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5. An Bille um an Ochtú Leasú is Fiche ar an mBunreacht 2007 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Twenty-eighth Amendment of the Constitution Bill 2007 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht chun an Bunreacht a leasú.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Constitution.

—An tAire Sláinte agus Leanaí.

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6. An Bille um Chomhlíonadh an Dlí Fostaíochta 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Employment Law Compliance Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht chun

Bill entitled an Act to secure improved

comhlíonadh feabhsaithe na reachtaíochta fostaíochta a áirithiú; do bhunú comhlachta ar a dtabharfar an tÚdarás Náisiúnta um Chearta Fostaíochta nó, sa Bhéarla, *the National Employment Rights Authority*; do bhunú oifig Stiúrthóir an Údaráis Náisiúnta um Chearta Fostaíochta nó, sa Bhéarla, *the Director of the National Employment Rights Authority*, agus do dhéanamh socrú maidir le ceapachán an stiúrthóra sin; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le téarmaí, coinníollacha agus feidhmeanna an stiúrthóra; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le stiúrthóir gníomhach chun feidhmeanna an stiúrthóra a chomhlíonadh de réir riachtanas; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le bord comhairleach agus do mhíniú a fheidhmeanna; do dhéanamh socrú breise maidir le reachtaíocht fostaíochta a fhorfheidhmiú lena n-áirítear trí oifigigh údaráithe a cheapadh; do mhéadú na bpionós mar gheall ar chionta áirithe faoin reachtaíocht fostaíochta agus faoi achtacháin áirithe eile; do dhéanamh leasú breise ar an reachtaíocht fostaíochta agus ar achtacháin áirithe eile agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

compliance with employment legislation; to establish a body to be known as *an tÚdarás Náisiúnta um Chearta Fostaíochta* or, in the English language, as the National Employment Rights Authority; to establish the office of *Stiúrthóir an Údaráis Náisiúnta um Chearta Fostaíochta* or, in the English language, the Director of the National Employment Rights Authority and to provide for his or her appointment; to provide for the terms, conditions and functions of the director; to provide for an acting director to perform the functions of the director during exigencies; to provide for an advisory board and to define its functions; to further provide for the enforcement of employment legislation including by the appointment of authorised officers; to increase the penalties for certain offences under employment legislation and certain other enactments; to further amend employment legislation and certain other enactments and to provide for related matters.

—*An Tánaiste agus Aire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta.*

7. An Bille Árachais Sláinte (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Health Insurance (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú an Achta Árachais Sláinte 1994, an Achta Comhdhlúite Cánacha 1997 agus an Achta Comhdhlúite Dleachtanna Stampa 1999, go háirithe chun a chinntiú go ndéanfar, ar mhaithe leis an dlúthpháirtíocht sochaí agus eadarghlúine, an t-ualach maidir le costais seirbhísí sláinte a chomhroinnt ag daoine árachaithe trí shocrú a dhéanamh maidir le fóirdheontais costais idir daoine óga agus daoine aosta; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Health Insurance Act 1994, the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 and the Stamp Duties Consolidation Act 1999, in particular to ensure that, in the interests of societal and intergenerational solidarity, the burden of the costs of health services be shared by insured persons by providing for a cost subsidy between the young and the old; and to provide for related matters.

—*An tAire Sláinte agus Leanaí.*

Fógraí Tairisceana : Notices of Motions

8. “D’ainneoin aon ní i Rún an 14 That, notwithstanding anything in the

Meitheamh, 2007, ón Dáil inar leagadh amach an róta ar dá réir a chuirfear Ceisteanna chun comhaltaí den Rialtas, go ndéanfar Ceisteanna le haghaidh freagra ó bhéal, a leanfaidh iad sin is neasa a bheidh curtha síos don Aire Talmhaíochta, Iascaigh agus Bia a chur síos d’Airí san ord sealadach seo a leanas:

An tAire Gnóthaí Eachtracha

An Tánaiste agus Aire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta

An tAire Airgeadais

An tAire Sláinte agus Leanaí

An tAire Iompair

An tAire Dlí agus Cirt, Comhionannais agus Athchóirithe Dlí

An tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta

agus air sin leanfar den ord a bunaíodh le Rún an 14 Meitheamh, 2007, le Ceisteanna chun an Aire Ealaíon, Spóirt agus Turasóireachta.

Resolution of the Dáil of 14th June, 2007, setting out the rota in which Questions to members of the Government are to be asked, Questions for oral answer, following those next set down to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, shall be set down to Ministers in the following temporary sequence:

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment

Minister for Finance

Minister for Health and Children

Minister for Transport

Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform

Minister for Education and Science

where upon the sequence established by the Resolution of 14th June, 2007, shall continue with Questions to the Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism.”

—*Pádraig Ó Ciardha, Aire Stáit ag Roinn an Taoisigh.*

9. “Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann an dréacht-Ordú fán Acht um Choimisiún chun Drochúsáid Leanaí a Fhiosrú 2000 (Alt 5) (Tréimhse Shonraithe), 2009, ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 22 Eanáir 2009.

That Dáil Éireann approves the draft Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (Section 5) (Specified Period) Order, 2009, a copy of which was laid before Dáil Éireann on 22nd January, 2009.”

—*An tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta.*

10. “Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann an tuarascáil ón Aire Cosanta maidir le seirbhís ag Óglaigh na hÉireann leis na Náisiúin Aontaithe in 2007, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 28 Samhain, 2008, de réir alt 13 den Acht Cosanta (Leasú) 2006.

That Dáil Éireann approves the report by the Minister for Defence regarding service by the Defence Forces with the United Nations in 2007, copies of which were laid before Dáil Éireann on 28th November, 2008, in accordance with section 13 of the Defence (Amendment) Act 2006.”

—*An tAire Cosanta.*

11. “Go dtugann Dáil Éireann dá haire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú

That Dáil Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny

Eorpach dar teideal ‘*Tuarascáil Speisialta maidir le Reachtaíocht nua ón AE – 1 Eanáir go 30 Meitheamh, 2008*’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 31 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008.

entitled ‘*Special Report on new EU Legislation – 1 January to 30 June, 2008*’ which was laid before Dáil Éireann on 31st October, 2008.”

—*John Perry, Chairman of the Committee.*
[5 November, 2008]

12. “Go dtugann Dáil Éireann dá haire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha dar teideal ‘*Conradh Liospóin um Athchóiriú*’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 29 Bealtaine, 2008.

That Dáil Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Affairs entitled ‘*The Lisbon Reform Treaty*’ which was laid before Dáil Éireann on 29 May, 2008.”

—*Bernard J. Durkan, Chairman of the Committee.*
[18 November, 2008]

13. “Go dtugann Dáil Éireann dá haire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach dar teideal ‘*COM(2007) 654 críochnaitheach - Togra le haghaidh Creat-Chinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le Taisíad Ainmneacha Paisinéirí (TAP) a úsáid chun críocha forfheidhmithe dlí*’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 13 Samhain 2008.

That Dáil Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny entitled ‘*COM(2007) 654 final - Proposal for A Council Framework Decision on the use of Passenger Name Record (PNR) for law enforcement purposes*’ which was laid before Dáil Éireann on 13th November 2008.”

—*John Perry, Chairman of the Committee.*
[18 November, 2008]

14. “Go dtugann Dáil Éireann dá haire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach dar teideal ‘*Tuarascáil Iniúchta AE Uimh. 21: COM(2008)40 críochnaitheach – Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle maidir le Faisnéis faoi Bhia a Sholáthar do Thomhaltóirí*’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 13 Samhain, 2008.

That Dáil Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny entitled ‘*EU Scrutiny Report No. 21: COM(2008)40 final - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Provision of Food Information to Consumers*’ which was laid before Dáil Éireann on 13th November, 2008.”

—*John Perry, Chairman of the Committee.*
[27 January, 2009]

**ORDUITHE AN LAE
ORDERS OF THE DAY**

15. An Bille fán Scéim um Thacaíocht Tithe Banaltrais 2008 — An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).
Nursing Homes Support Scheme Bill 2008 — Second Stage (*resumed*).
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16. An Bille Craolacháin 2008 [*Seanad*] — Ordú don Tuarascáil.
Broadcasting Bill 2008 [*Seanad*] — Order for Report.
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17. An Bille fán Ombudsman um Sheirbhísí Dlí 2008 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.
Legal Services Ombudsman Bill 2008 — Order for Report.
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18. An Bille um Inimirce, Cónaí agus Cosaint 2008 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.
Immigration, Residence and Protection Bill 2008 — Order for Report.
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19. Tairiscintí Airgeadais ón Aire Airgeadais [2008] (*Tairiscint 15, atógáil*).
Financial Motions by the Minister for Finance [2008] (*Motion 15, resumed*).
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20. Ráitis maidir leis an Tuarascáil ón gCoiste ar an Ról Méadaithe do Pharlaimintí Náisiúnta
i gConradh Liospóin um Athchóiriú (*atógáil*).
Statements on Committee Report on the Enhanced Role for National Parliaments in the
Lisbon Reform Treaty (*resumed*).
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21. Ráitis maidir leis an Tuarascáil ón gCoimisiún um Thoghlaigh 2007.
Statements on the Constituency Commission Report 2007.
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22. Tairiscintí Airgeadais ón Aire Airgeadais [2007] (*Tairiscint 5, atógáil*).
Financial Motions by the Minister for Finance [2007] (*Motion 5, resumed*).
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23. Ráitis maidir le hIompar 21 (*atógáil*).
Statements on Transport 21 (*resumed*).
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GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Gnó a ordáíodh:
Business ordered:

24. An Bille Lucht Cleachta Dlí (Cáilíocht) (Leasú) 2007 — An Dara Céim.
Legal Practitioners (Qualification) (Amendment) Bill 2007 — Second Stage.

—*Brian O'Shea.*

25. Bille an Gharda Síochána (Cumhachtaí Faireachais) 2007 — An Dara Céim.
Garda Síochána (Powers of Surveillance) Bill 2007 — Second Stage.

—*Pat Rabbitte.*

26. An Bille fá Chlár um Chosaint Finnéithe (Uimh. 2) 2007 — An Dara Céim.
Witness Protection Programme (No. 2) Bill 2007 — Second Stage.

—*Pat Rabbitte.*

27. An Bille um an Naoú Leasú is Fiche ar an mBunreacht 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Twenty-ninth Amendment of the Constitution Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Arthur Morgan.*

28. An Bille um an Dlí Coiriúil (Cosaint Tí Cónaithe) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Criminal Law (Home Defence) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Charles Flanagan, Michael Ring.*

29. An Bille um Chosaint Fostaithe (Oibríthe Gníomhaireachta) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Protection of Employees (Agency Workers) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Willie Penrose.*

30. An Bille um Dhliteanas Sibhialta (Leasú) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Civil Liability (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Charles Flanagan.*

31. An Bille Gairmoideachais (Bunoideachas) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Vocational Education (Primary Education) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Ruairi Quinn.*

32. An Bille um Eitic in Oifigí Poiblí 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Ethics in Public Office Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Joan Burton.*

33. An Bille um Thrédhearcacht Ceapachán Poiblí 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Public Appointments Transparency Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Leo Varadkar.*

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34. An Bille um Thoghcháin Áitiúla 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Local Elections Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Ciarán Lynch.*

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35. An Bille um Shaoráil Faisnéise (Leasú) (Uimh. 2) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Freedom of Information (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Joan Burton.*

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36. An Bille um Choimisiún Toghcháin 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Electoral Commission Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Ciarán Lynch.*

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37. Bille na nGiúiréithe (Leasú) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Juries (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Aengus Ó Snodaigh.*

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38. An Bille um Chlárú Brústocairí 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Registration of Lobbyists Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Brendan Howlin.*

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39. An Bille um Bochtaineacht Breosla agus Caomhnú Fuinnimh 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Fuel Poverty and Energy Conservation Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Liz McManus.*

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40. An Bille chun na hAchtanna um Chiontaí in aghaidh an Stáit a Aisghairm 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Offences Against the State Acts Repeal Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Aengus Ó Snodaigh, Martin Ferris, Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Arthur Morgan.*

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41. An Bille um Pleanáil agus Forbairt (Leasú) 2008 — An Dara Céim.

Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Joe Costello.*

42. An Bille um Cheartas Coiriúil (Coireacht Fhoréigineach a Chosc) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Criminal Justice (Violent Crime Prevention) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Charles Flanagan.*

43. An Bille um Chosaint Sonraí (Nochtadh) (Leasú) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Data Protection (Disclosure) (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Simon Coveney.*

44. An Bille Aerloingseoireachta agus Aeriompair (Géilleadh Neamhghnách a Chosc) 2008
— An Dara Céim.
Air Navigation and Transport (Prevention of Extraordinary Rendition) Bill 2008 —
Second Stage.

—*Michael D. Higgins.*

45. Bille an Choimisiúin um Chearta an Duine (Leasú) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Human Rights Commission (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Aengus Ó Snodaigh.*

46. An Bille um Pleanáil agus Forbairt (Imeachtaí Forfheidhmiúcháin) 2008 — An Dara
Céim.
Planning and Development (Enforcement Proceedings) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.

—*Mary Upton.*

47. An Bille um Chnuas-Mhuinisin 2008 — Ordú don Choiste.
Cluster Munitions Bill 2008 — Order for Committee.

—*Billy Timmins.*

Fógraí Tairisceana:

Notices of Motions:

48. “That Dáil Éireann:

expressing its serious concern at:

- the shocking and disturbing revelations of neglect and physical and sexual abuse suffered by six children in Roscommon; and
- the failure of the Western Health Board to appropriately intervene at an early stage;

calls on the Government to:

- appoint an Independent Commission pursuant to the Commissions of Investigation Act 2004 to examine all of the family circumstances relating to the six Roscommon children whose mother was convicted of incest and other offences of child abuse and neglect in Roscommon Circuit Court on Wednesday, 19th January, 2009;
- ensure that such investigation has specific regard to the actions and child protection practices and procedures of:
 - the former Western Health Board and the Health Service Executive;
 - all school and religious authorities and personnel who had contact with the children;
 - doctors and nurses who had contact with the children; and in addition
 - has regard to the actions, if any, of other relevant persons and organisations which affected the approach taken by the Western Health Board or who were in a position to report child neglect or abuse;
- ensure that the terms of reference of the Commission also require it to investigate the action taken by Government and more particularly by successive Ministers for Health and Children and Ministers for Children to ensure the effective implementation of the Children First Child Protection Guidelines of 1999, and to implement the outstanding relevant recommendations contained in the Report of the Committee of Enquiry into the death of Kelly Fitzgerald, published by the Joint Oireachtas Committee on the Family in April, 1996; and
- ensure that the Minister for Health and Children and the Minister for Children both take all necessary and immediate action to ensure that all children at risk receive the protection to which they are entitled under our current law and that our Child Protection Guidelines are effectively and uniformly implemented throughout the State.” — *Alan Shatter, Enda Kenny, Bernard Allen, James Bannon, Seán Barrett, Pat Breen, Richard Bruton, Ulick Burke, Catherine Byrne, Joe Carey, Deirdre Clune, Paul Connaughton, Noel J. Coonan, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, Michael Creed, Lucinda Creighton, Michael D'Arcy, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Andrew Doyle, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Frank Feighan, Charles Flanagan, Terence Flanagan, Brian Hayes, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Pádraic McCormack, Shane McEntee, Dinny McGinley, Joe McHugh, Olivia Mitchell, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Kieran O'Donnell, Fergus O'Dowd, Jim O'Keeffe, John O'Mahony, John Perry, James Reilly, Michael Ring, Tom Sheahan, P. J. Sheehan, David Stanton, Billy Timmins, Leo Varadkar.*

[27 January, 2009]

49. “That Dáil Éireann affirms its confidence in the Tribunal of Inquiry Into Certain Planning Matters and Payments appointed by Instrument of the Minister for the Environment and Local Government dated the 4th day of November 1997 (following the passing of appropriate motions by Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann) and as amended by Instruments dated the 15th day of July 1998, 24th day of October 2002, 7th day of July 2003, 3rd day of December 2004 and by the Tribunal of Inquiry Into Certain Planning Matters and Payments Act 2004 (No. 39 of 2004).”

— *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, Ruairí Quinn, Pat Rabbitte, Seán Sherlock, Róisín Shortall, Joanna Tuffy, Mary Upton, Jack Wall.*

[30 January, 2008]

50. “That Dáil Éireann:

- expresses its serious concern at the conditions endured by cystic fibrosis patients and the unnecessary risks to which they have been exposed;
- deplores the failure of the Government to ensure the provision of acceptable facilities as a result of which the life expectancy of those with cystic fibrosis in Ireland is way below the level of other developed countries;
- urges the Minister for Health and the HSE to expedite the provision of the long promised dedicated isolation unit at St. Vincent’s Hospital, Dublin; and
- calls on the Government, pending the construction of this unit, to provide temporary isolation beds to reduce the risk of cross infection.” — *Jan O'Sullivan, 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, Willie Penrose, Ruairí Quinn, Pat Rabbitte, Seán Sherlock, Róisín Shortall, Joanna Tuffy, Mary Upton, Jack Wall.*

[30 January, 2008]

51. “That Dáil Éireann;

- recognising the need for greater supports for adult education and the importance of adult learning to the continued growth of the economy;
- considering the low level of participation of Irish adults in ongoing education and training estimated to be at just 8% of the workforce, compared to 35% in Sweden, 29% in the UK and well below the EU target of 12.5%;
- noting the Government’s failure to act on the commitment in Towards 2016 to put in place a targeted fund to alleviate fees in public institutions for part-time courses at third level by those at work who have not previously pursued a third level qualification;
- recognising the fundamental injustice that exists in the exclusion of low paid workers from obtaining financial support through the Back to Education Allowance;
- accepting the need for a more co-ordinated and focused approach to the development of adult education nationally; and
- noting that the proportion of the FÁS budget currently spent on upskilling those in employment is only 5%;

calls on the Government to:

- use the National Training Fund to introduce a voucher scheme for individuals who have not already benefited from higher education to pay for courses in higher

- educational institutions, whether taken on a part-time or full-time basis;
 - introduce two-week statutory annual paid training leave, financed out of the NTF and paid at the minimum wage rate in order to focus on low-skilled workers;
 - reconsider the eligibility criteria for the Back to Education Allowance scheme to include low-paid workers;
 - immediately publish the review of the National Adult Learning Council and re-introduce a co-ordinating structure for the adult education sector;
 - provide dedicated funding for English language training for speakers of other languages; and
 - honour its Programme for Government commitment to provide improved guidance and ancillary supports for the adult education sector, including child care services.”
- *Brian Hayes, Enda Kenny, Richard Bruton, Bernard Allen, James Bannon, Seán Barrett, Pat Breen, Ulick Burke, Catherine Byrne, Joe Carey, Deirdre Clune, Paul Connaughton, Noel J. Coonan, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, Michael Creed, Lucinda Creighton, Michael D'Arcy, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Andrew Doyle, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Frank Feighan, Charles Flanagan, Terence Flanagan, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Pádraic McCormack, Shane McEntee, Dinny McGinley, Joe McHugh, Olivia Mitchell, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Kieran O'Donnell, Fergus O'Dowd, Jim O'Keeffe, John O'Mahony, John Perry, James Reilly, Michael Ring, Alan Shatter, Tom Sheahan, P. J. Sheehan, David Stanton, Billy Timmins, Leo Varadkar.*

[5 February, 2008]

52. “That Dáil Éireann noting,

- free and fair elections are the cornerstone of a democratic political system;
- Resolutions and Reports by the United Nations General Assembly on ‘*strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization*’;
- the high demand from UN Member States for electoral assistance; and
- recent reports of electoral fraud in some elections;

calls on the Government to take a lead role at the UN General Assembly to ensure:

- the UN makes adjustments in its practices in order to meet emerging trends and challenges by increasing its capacity both to develop and disseminate electoral standards and best practices to include:
 - an agreed mechanism to certify the results of elections;
 - strengthen its capacity to offer advice on the choice of electoral systems; and
- encourage States to make voluntary contributions to an Electoral Monitoring Fund.” — *Billy Timmins, Pat Breen, Enda Kenny, Bernard Allen, James Bannon, Seán Barrett, Richard Bruton, Ulick Burke, Catherine Byrne, Joe Carey, Deirdre Clune, Paul Connaughton, Noel J. Coonan, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, Michael Creed, Lucinda Creighton, Michael D'Arcy, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Andrew Doyle, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Frank Feighan, Charles Flanagan, Terence Flanagan, Tom Hayes, Brian Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Pádraic*

McCormack, Shane McEntee, Dinny McGinley, Joe McHugh, Olivia Mitchell, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Kieran O'Donnell, Fergus O'Dowd, Jim O'Keeffe, John O'Mahony, John Perry, James Reilly, Michael Ring, Alan Shatter, Tom Sheahan, P. J. Sheehan, David Stanton, Leo Varadkar.

[2 April, 2008]

53. “That Dáil Éireann, concerned at the deadlock of the democratic process in Zimbabwe following the elections of 29th March, 2008, the reported violence and the ongoing humanitarian crisis in that country:

- calls on the Irish Government to raise the issue as a matter of urgency at international level and, in particular, in its contacts with Irish Aid’s programme countries in the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC), Zambia, Malawi, Mozambique, Lesotho and Tanzania;
- calls on the Irish Government to promote the broadest and most effective international observation in the event of any recounts, further rounds of voting and campaigning in Zimbabwe;
- welcomes UN secretary general Ban Ki-moon’s for a UN role to resolve the crisis while the current democratic deadlock persists;
- deplores the reported ‘militarization’ of election tactics in Zimbabwe, human rights repressions and reported deaths, threats, beatings and torture of opposition supporters, elections workers, trade unionists, police, medical workers and all other individuals;
- welcomes the continuing assistance which Irish Aid is giving to the people of Zimbabwe and looks forward to supporting the reconstruction of Zimbabwe’s democratic institutions and the protection of its economic assets; and
- looks forward to re-establishing warm relations with the Parliament of Zimbabwe following a successful democratic conclusion to the elections process.” — *Brendan Howlin, Billy Timmins, Fergus O'Dowd, Denis Naughten, Michael D. Higgins, Barry Andrews, Brian O'Shea, Charlie O'Connor, Joan Burton, Ciarán Cuffe.*

[29 April, 2008]

54. “That Dáil Éireann, notes with grave concern the failure on the part of the Department of Education and Science to engage with those unions who represent school secretaries and caretakers within the informal process established under the Towards 2016 National Agreement, and having regard to the continuous and serious pay inequalities faced by school secretaries and caretakers within the Irish Education System, demands that the Minister for Education and Science immediately enters into meaningful discussions to address this issue by standardising the terms and conditions of employment commensurate with appropriate public service grades with effect from the 2008/2009 school year.” — *Brian Hayes, Bernard Allen, James Bannon, Seán Barrett, Pat Breen, Richard Bruton, Ulick Burke, Catherine Byrne, Joe Carey, Deirdre Clune, Paul Connaughton, Noel J. Coonan, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, Michael Creed, Lucinda Creighton, Michael D'Arcy, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Andrew Doyle, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Frank Feighan, Charles Flanagan, Terence Flanagan, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Enda Kenny, Pádraic McCormack, Shane McEntee, Dinny McGinley, Joe McHugh, Olivia Mitchell, Denis Naughten,*

Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Kieran O'Donnell, Fergus O'Dowd, Jim O'Keeffe, John O'Mahony, John Perry, James Reilly, Michael Ring, Alan Shatter, Tom Sheahan, P. J. Sheehan, David Stanton, Billy Timmins, Leo Varadkar.

[30 April, 2008]

55. "That Dáil Éireann,

notes;

- the value of the Irish Seafood Industry to the Irish economy, totalling over €750 million in revenues and contributing to direct employment of over 12,000 people;
- the financial difficulties currently facing those involved in the fishing industry;
- the dramatic increase in the price of fuel; especially considering the increase of 40% since January 2008;
- the stagnation and decline of fish prices;
- the failure to brand and market Irish fish;
- the delay of Government to secure EU approval of Operational Programme for Fisheries;
- the structural difficulties facing the industry including lack of quota and over capacity of the fleet;
- the current arrangements for disposal of by-catch contribute nothing to conservation of fish stocks; and
- the slow progress in implementing the Cawley Report.

calls on the Government to;

- negotiate a package of financial assistance for temporary cessation of operations as a matter of urgency;
- insist that the Irish Fishing Industry is not disadvantaged relative to its competitors within the EU as a result of the Commission decision to permit State Aid in certain circumstances;
- secure an immediate ban on (IUU) Illegal Unreported and Unregulated fishing and regulating imports;
- pursue a uniform and balanced approach to enforcement of fisheries regulation throughout the E.U.;
- immediately implement a country of origin labelling system for all fish products coupled with a Consumer Awareness Campaign;
- to pursue the possibility of increasing cod quotas in the Celtic Sea;
- take all necessary steps at an interdepartmental level to resolve the issues delaying the adoption of the Operational Programme for Fisheries; and
- fully implement the Cawley report." — *Michael Creed, Enda Kenny, Bernard Allen, James Bannon, Seán Barrett, Pat Breen, Richard Bruton, Ulick Burke, Catherine Byrne, Joe Carey, Deirdre Clune, Paul Connaughton, Noel J. Coonan, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, Lucinda Creighton, Michael D'Arcy, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Andrew Doyle, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Frank Feighan, Charles Flanagan, Terence Flanagan, Brian Hayes, Tom*

Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Pádraic McCormack, Shane McEntee, Dinny McGinley, Joe McHugh, Olivia Mitchell, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Kieran O'Donnell, Fergus O'Dowd, Jim O'Keeffe, John O'Mahony, John Perry, James Reilly, Michael Ring, Alan Shatter, Tom Sheahan, P. J. Sheehan, David Stanton, Billy Timmins, Leo Varadkar.

[24 June, 2008]

56. “That Dáil Éireann:

- recognises that there are currently at least 150 families affected by Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) in Ireland today;
- notes that there is no cure for this disease resulting in an average life expectancy of late teens – early twenties;
- agrees that there is no translational research or clinical trials for DMD being carried out in Ireland and that international research efforts should be supported;
- agrees with the Minister of State for Disability who has stated there is no mechanism or budget for Irish Government funding to UK health research and has recommended an application to the Health Research Board (HRB);
- recognises that, whilst the HRB and the Joint Committee on Health and Children have indicated that funding can be made available provided it is shown to benefit Irish children, to-date there is still no confirmation that this funding is available;
- recognises that the Joint Committee on Health and Children have unanimously in 2008 voted 12-0 in favour of supporting funding of Duchenne Research; and
- calls on the Government to provide funding to Duchenne Ireland to allocate to the most promising research strategies in order to accelerate drugs through the clinical trial process and to ensure that Irish boys have access to these trials;

acknowledges that:

- Duchenne Ireland is a registered Irish Charity (CHY 18197) that has a formal research strategy in place for progressing therapies for DMD;
- this research strategy involves a stringent grant application process and international review process by the charity's international scientific review board;
- Duchenne Ireland are members of IPPOSI, Treat-NMD, and UPPMD, all of which are progressing the cause of research into rare diseases and/or Duchenne;
- a rare disease like Duchenne requires international best research due to the specialisation of the disease in question and the lack of research expertise and that the HRB has prioritised translational research;
- the current MRCG budget for 2008 for international research available for competitive scientific bidding to all charities in the MRCG (27 at current count), is €60,000 given the MRCG mandates that only 10% of 2008 budgeted allowance for co-funding can be granted to international research; and
- Duchenne Ireland is planning to fund at least €200,000 per year in charity research funding towards translational therapies for Duchenne, and that a 27-1 chance of potential co-funding is not an adequate solution to translational therapies for Duchenne.” — *Joe McHugh, Denis Naughten, Andrew Doyle, James Reilly, Kieran*

57. “That Dáil Éireann:

notes that:

- the economy was allowed over recent years to become grossly over-dependent on the construction sector accounting for over 20% of the State’s GDP and employing one in every eight workers at its peak;
- an over-inflated construction sector masked a steady flow of job losses, particularly in provincial towns;
- the Government failed to accept that the over-reliance on the construction sector was not sustainable and could not continue indefinitely and consequently failed to put in place a strategy to deal with the anticipated contraction of the construction sector or the needs of those dependent on that sector for their employment;
- an estimated 30,000 plus construction workers have lost their jobs to date in 2008;
- the lack of alternative employment is resulting in workers who lost their jobs emigrating in search of work;
- the Government still has not brought forward a strategy to get these workers back into employment and/or training;
- the Government allowed the social security entitlements of many construction workers to be undermined by failing to take action as unscrupulous employers coerced these workers into registering as self-employed; and
- 50.3% of those who lost their jobs in the construction sector in the year to the end of June were under the age of 25 while 23% of those under the age of 25 still employed in the construction sector at the end of June did not have a Leaving Certificate qualification;

recognises:

- the urgent need for the Government to bring forward a strategy that prioritises the needs of those construction sector workers who have lost their jobs or are at risk of losing their jobs;
- the need to make sure that a controlled reduction in the dependency on the construction sector includes measures to ensure continued employment opportunities in construction as well as measures to enable workers from this sector to access alternative employment; and
- the need for the Government to prioritise the creation of alternative employment opportunities;

calls on the Government:

- to increase our competitiveness and aid economic recovery by frontloading infrastructure projects that can employ workers from the construction sector, including transport, schools, crèches, hospital and primary care development;
- to implement a State Housing Infrastructure Plan, designed to address both housing need and unemployment in the construction sector, including:
 - the construction of the required social housing by local authorities on a

- targeted basis over 5 years;
- the completion of currently stalled regeneration projects in local authority housing estates and complexes;
 - a programme of upgrading of local authority dwellings, with special emphasis on housing for older people;
 - a social housing maintenance programme, equipping local authorities to ensure that their housing stock is kept in good repair;
 - a home heating programme to ensure that local authority tenants, especially older people, have sufficient and energy efficient heating in their homes;
 - a home insulation programme to conserve energy and reduce energy costs for householders; and
 - a home adaptation programme to carry out essential works to adapt homes for the use of people with disabilities, in tandem with reform of the Disabled Persons' Housing Grant;
- to introduce specific training and upskilling courses for alternative industries to construction to be made available through FÁS and the state's universities and DITs;
 - to provide special retraining for construction workers so they can work in the energy saving and renewable energy sectors;
 - to introduce a specific back to education scheme for construction sector workers under the age of 25 who did not complete second level education;
 - to introduce a mortgage support package for those who have lost their jobs;
 - to take steps to deal with the predicament of construction sector workers who were pushed into becoming self-employed by their employers and who consequently do not have adequate social insurance contributions to access social welfare entitlements by allowing for contributions for the last five years to be considered rather than the normal governing contribution period of two years; and
 - to introduce measures to allow apprentices to complete apprenticeships that were curtailed due to the recession in construction.” — *Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Arthur Morgan, Martin Ferris, Aengus Ó Snodaigh.*

[25 November, 2008]

58. “That Dáil Éireann:

deplores:

- the savage cuts to the budget of the Equality Authority which has removed 43% of its budget and will severely limit its capacity to carry out its core functions;
- the ill-thought out and poorly planned decision to decentralise the Equality Authority which has resulted in the loss of experienced and expert staff;
- the treatment of the Equality Authority by the Government which ultimately resulted in the resignation of its Chief Executive and a Board Member;
- the unprecedented cut to the budget of the Irish Human Rights Commission which has removed 24% of its budget and will severely limit its capacity to carry out its core

functions;

- the weakening of the Irish Human Rights Commission despite its importance in the context of the Good Friday Agreement; and
- the disproportionate budget cuts to human rights and equality bodies despite the myriad of agencies under the remit of the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform;

calls on the Government to immediately:

- engage bilaterally with the Equality Authority and Irish Human Rights Commission to ascertain their resource needs;
- provide the necessary funding to allow the Irish Human Rights Commission and the Equality Authority to carry out their full remits; and
- affirm the Government's commitment to uphold human rights and equality in Irish society and to deliver on its own stated policies in these areas." — *Charles Flanagan, Enda Kenny, Bernard Allen, James Bannon, Seán Barrett, Pat Breen, Richard Bruton, Ulick Burke, Catherine Byrne, Joe Carey, Deirdre Clune, Paul Connaughton, Noel J. Coonan, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, Michael Creed, Lucinda Creighton, Michael D'Arcy, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Andrew Doyle, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Frank Feighan, Terence Flanagan, Brian Hayes, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Pádraic McCormack, Shane McEntee, Dinny McGinley, Joe McHugh, Olivia Mitchell, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Kieran O'Donnell, Fergus O'Dowd, Jim O'Keeffe, John O'Mahony, John Perry, James Reilly, Michael Ring, Alan Shatter, Tom Sheahan, P. J. Sheehan, David Stanton, Billy Timmins, Leo Varadkar.*

[27 January, 2009]

59. An Dáil a chur ar athló.
Adjournment of the Dáil.

BILLÍ I ROGHCHOISTÍ, I gCOISTÍ SPEISIALTA NÓ I gCOMHCHOISTÍ BILLS IN SELECT, SPECIAL OR JOINT COMMITTEES

An Bille um Binsí Fiosrúcháin 2005 — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.

Tribunals of Inquiry Bill 2005 — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

(l) An Bille um Athchóiriú an Dlí Talún agus Tíolactha 2006 [*Seanad*] — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.

(a) Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Bill 2006 [*Seanad*] — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

An Bille um Chiontuithe Spíonta 2007 — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.

Spent Convictions Bill 2007 — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

An Bille um Thacaíocht do Mhic Léinn 2008 — An Roghchoiste um Oideachas agus Eolaíocht.
Student Support Bill 2008 — Select Committee on Education and Science.

An Bille um Chlúmhilleadh 2006 [*Seanad*] — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.
Defamation Bill 2006 [*Seanad*] — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

An Bille Eadrána 2008 — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.
Arbitration Bill 2008 — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

An Bille um Éilliú a Chosc (Leasú) 2008 — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.
Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

An Bille Ombudsman (Leasú) 2008 — An Roghchoiste um Airgeadas agus an tSeirbhís Phoiblí.
Ombudsman (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Select Committee on Finance and the Public Service.

MEMORANDA

Dé Máirt, 27 Eanáir, 2009
Tuesday, 27th January, 2009

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 11.30 a.m.
Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 11.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 2.30 p.m.
Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 3 p.m.
Meeting of the Joint Committee on Health and Children in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 3 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 3 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 3 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Chomhshaol, Oidhreacht agus Rialtas Áitiúil i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 3.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 3.30 p.m.

Dé Céadaoin, 28 Eanáir, 2009

Wednesday, 28th January, 2009

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Chumarsáid, Fuinneamh agus Acmhainní Náúrtha i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 9.45 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Communications, Energy and Natural Resources in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 9.45 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 9.45 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Health and Children in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 9.45 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Thalmhaíocht, Iascaigh agus Bia i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 11 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 11 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste Riaracháin i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 12.15 p.m. (*príobháideach*).

Meeting of the Joint Administration Committee in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 12.15 p.m. (*private*).

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Airgeadas agus an tSeirbhís Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 2.15 p.m. (*príobháideach*).

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Finance and the Public Service in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 2.15 p.m. (*private*).

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Ealaíon, Spóirt, Turasóireachta, Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Arts, Sport, Tourism, Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

An Bille um Athchóiriú an Dlí Talún agus Tíolactha 2006:
Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Bill 2006:

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 3 p.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 3 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eachtracha i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 3.30 p.m.
 Meeting of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 3.30 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um an Leasú Bunreachta maidir le Leanaí i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 5 p.m.
 Meeting of the Joint Committee on the Constitutional Amendment on Children in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 5 p.m.

Cruinniú den Choiste um Chuntais Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 6 p.m.
(príobháideach).
 Meeting of the Committee of Public Accounts in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 6 p.m.
(private).

Déardaoin, 29 Eanáir, 2009
Thursday, 29th January, 2009

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 9.45 a.m.
 Meeting of the Joint Committee on Health and Children in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 9.45 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.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Thalmhaíocht, Iascaigh agus Bia i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 10.30 a.m.
 Meeting of the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 10.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Oideachas agus Eolaíocht i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 11.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Education and Science in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 11.30 a.m.

**An Bille um Athchóiriú an Dlí Talún agus Tíolactha 2006:
Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Bill 2006:**

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

**BILLÍ DÁLA SA SEANAD
DÁIL BILLS WITH THE SEANAD**

An Bille Toghcháin (Leasú) 2008.
Electoral (Amendment) Bill 2008.

An Bille Gáis (Leasú) 2008.
Gas (Amendment) Bill 2008.

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

Reachtúil:

Statutory:

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| 2) An tOrdú fán Acht um Shábháilteacht Iarnróid 2005 (Alt 26) (Tobhach) 2008 (I.R. Uimh. 568 de 2008). | 2) Railway Safety Act 2005 (Section 26) (Levy) Order 2008 (S.I. No. 568 of 2008). |
| 3) Páipéar Uaine maidir leis an bhFórsa Oibre Eorpach le haghaidh Sláinte. COM (2008) 725. | 3) Green Paper on the European Workforce for Health. COM (2008) 725. |
| 4) Ráitis i leith Comhairleoirí Speisialta don Aire Ealaíon, Spóirt agus Turasoireachta, Máirtín Ó Cuilinn, T.D., de réir na nAchtanna um Eitic in Oifigí Poiblí 1995 agus 2001 [2008] [20 Eanáir, 2009]. | 4) Statements in respect of Special Advisers to the Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism, Martin Cullen, T.D., in accordance with the Ethics in Public Office Acts 1995 and 2001 [2008] [20 January, 2009]. |
| 5) Comhairle na Seirbhísí Dóiteáin. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus Cuntais, 2006. | 5) Fire Services Council. Annual Report and Accounts, 2006. |
| 6) Comhairle na Seirbhísí Dóiteáin. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus Cuntais, 2007. | 6) Fire Services Council. Annual Report and Accounts, 2007. |

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- 8) Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs. Six-Monthly Report to the Oireachtas under section 2(5) of the EU (Scrutiny) Act 2002. 1 July – 31 December, 2008.
- 9) Tuarascáil ón Roinn Iompair don Oireachtas de réir Alt 2(5) d'Acht an Aontais Eorpaigh (Grinnscrúdú) 2002. 1 Iúil - 31 Nollaig, 2008.
- 9) Report of the Department of Transport to the Oireachtas in accordance with Section 2(5) of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002. 1 July - 31 December, 2008.
- 10) An tOrdú fán Acht um Ghníomhaireacht Bainistíochta an Chisteáin Náisiúnta 1990 (An tAcht um Fhorais Chreidmheasa (Tacaíocht Airgeadais) 2008) (Feidhmeanna a Tharmligean)) 2009.
- 10) National Treasury Management Agency Act 1990 (Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Act 2008) (Delegation of Functions)) Order 2009).
- 11) An Ciste Árachais Shóisialaigh. Cuntais, 2007 mar aon leis an Tuarascáil ón Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste orthu.
- 11) Social Insurance Fund. Accounts, 2007 together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
- 12) Gníomhaíocht Chomhphárteach 2008/796/CFSP an 13 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008 ón gComhairle lena leasaítear sainordú Ionadaí Speisialta an Aontais Eorpaigh do Chugas Theas mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.
- 12) Council Joint Action 2008/796/CFSP of 13 October, 2008 amending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the South Caucasus together with Explanatory information note.
- 13) Gníomhaíocht Chomhphárteach 2008/851/CFSP an 10 Samhain, 2008 ón gComhairle maidir le hoibríocht mhíleata de chuid an Aontais Eorpaigh chun rannchuidiú le gníomhartha píoráideachta agus robála faoi airm amach ó chósta na Somáile a dhíspreagadh, a chosc agus a chur faoi chois, mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.
- 13) Council Joint Action 2008/851/CFSP of 10 November, 2008 on a European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast together with explanatory information note.
- 14) Gníomhaíocht Chomhphárteach 2008/862/CFSP an 10 Samhain, 2008 ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Gníomhaíocht Chomhphárteach 2005/889/CFSP maidir le Misean Cúnaimh Teorann de chuid an Aontais Eorpaigh a bhunú do Phointe Trasnaithe Rafah (EUBAM Rafah) mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.
- 14) Council Joint Action 2008/862/CFSP of 10 November, 2008 amending Joint Action 2005/889/CFSP on establishing a European Union Border Assistance Mission for the Rafah Crossing Point (EUBAM Rafah) together with explanatory information note.

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1) An tOrdú fán Acht um Ainmhithe a Mharú 1935 (Uirlisí Ceadaithe) 2008 (I.R. Uimh. 599 de 2008).

2) Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Earraí Bia) (Aontachas na Bulgáire agus na Rómáine) (Uimh. 2) 2008 (I.R. Uimh. 517 de 2008).

3) An Coiste Comhairleach Náisiúnta um Dhrugaí. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, 2007.

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