



## **DÁIL ÉIREANN**

*Déardaoin, 5 Feabhra, 2009*  
*Thursday, 5th February, 2009*

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**RIAR NA hOIBRE**  
**ORDER PAPER**



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10.30 a.m.

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**ORD GNÓ**  
**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- a11.** (l) Tairiscint *maidir le* Bearta Caiteachais chun an tAirgeadas Poiblí a Chobhsú (*atógáil*).  
(a) Motion *re* Expenditure Measures for the Stabilisation of the Public Finances (*resumed*).
- 4.** An Bille um Chomhlíonadh an Dlí Fostaíochta 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim.  
Employment Law Compliance Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

**FÓGRA I dTAOBH GNÓ NUA**  
**NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS**

- 3a.** An Bille um Fhorbairt Tionscail 2008 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.  
Industrial Development Bill 2008 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

**I dTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ**  
**AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS**

*Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad*

- 3a.** An Bille um Fhorbairt Tionscail 2008 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.  
Industrial Development Bill 2008 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

*Billí a thionscnamh : Initiation of Bills*

*Tioclachta:*  
*Presented:*

- 4.** 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 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.

Bill entitled an Act to secure improved 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.*

*Tabhairt Isteach:*  
*Introduction:*

- 7a.** An Bille um Athrú Aeráide 2009 — An Chéad Chéim.  
Climate Change Bill 2009 — First Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leagan amach sprice le haghaidh na bliana 2050 chun astaíochtaí gás ceaptha teasa a laghdú; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le córas buiséadaithe carbóin; do dhéanamh socrúithe eile maidir le hathrú aeráide; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to set a target for the year 2050 for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; to provide for a system of carbon budgeting; to make other provisions about climate change; and to provide for related matters.

—*Eamon Gilmore.*

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**ORDUITHE AN LAE  
ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**a11.** “Go ndéanann Dáil Éireann:

- a tacaíocht a thabhairt do na bearta caiteachais atá fógartha ag an Rialtas chun cothromaíocht níos fearr a thabhairt i réim athuair idir ioncam agus caiteachas;
- a muinín a dhearbú as straitéis gheilleagrach an Rialtais chun fás a chur faoin ngeilleagar athuair a luaithe is féidir; agus
- a iarraidh ar gach earnáil sa tír againne treoir an Rialtais a leanúint agus an dlúthpháirtíocht shóisialta a léiriú is gá chun dul i ngleic leis an turnamh geilleagair seo nár tharla a leithéid cheana.

That Dáil Éireann:

- supports the expenditure measures announced by the Government to restore greater balance between revenue and spending;
- affirms its confidence in the economic strategy of the Government to restore the economy to growth as soon as possible; and
- calls on all sections of our country to follow the lead of the Government and show the social solidarity needed to tackle this unprecedented economic downturn.”

—*An tAire Airgeadais.*

*Leasuithe:*

*Amendments:*

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

- “— expresses its serious concern at the major economic problems now facing the country as a result of the serious mismanagement of the economy by Fianna Fáil led governments over the past decade;
- acknowledges the need for corrective action in regard to public expenditure and accepts that public service pay must be addressed as part of this process;
- believes that the package of measures announced by the Government places a disproportionate burden on low and middle earners at a time when those who contributed most to the crisis are being bailed out by the state and deplores, in particular, the targeting of public servants on modest incomes;
- expresses its concern at the implications of the cutbacks on Overseas Development Aid (ODA) and the early childhood supplement;
- recognises that a significant part of the deterioration in the public finances has been as

a result of additional social welfare payments, extra secondary benefits and the loss of income tax revenue arising from the increase in unemployment;

- deplores the failure of the Government to take any action to promote the creation of significant new jobs or to protect existing jobs despite the increase of over 140,000 in the live register figures over the past year; and
- calls on the Government to withdraw its proposals and to return with a balanced and fair package of measures that would ensure the preservation of crucial public services; protect the interests of low and middle earners; have the promotion of job creation as a central part of its strategy; and ensure that the burden of cutbacks in public expenditure is directed at those most in a position to bear them.”—*Joan Burton, Eamon Gilmore, Emmet Stagg, Thomas P. Broughan, Joe Costello, Michael D. Higgins, Brendan Howlin, Ciarán Lynch, Kathleen 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.*

2. To delete all word after “Dáil Éireann” and substitute the following:

- “— accepts the need to reduce borrowing in 2009 by €2 billion, as outlined in the Revised Stability Programme;
- calls for a detailed review and amendment of the measures announced by Government on 3 February 2009 to secure a fairer balance;
- calls for major reform and restructuring of programmes and agencies to get maximum value for the taxpayer;
- calls for the presentation of a credible five year economic plan; and
- calls for a fresh package of initiatives to address the issues of job loss, competitiveness, credit and new economic opportunities.”(resumed) —*Richard Bruton, Enda Kenny, 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, 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.*

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

- “— recognises the serious deterioration in our economy through the mismanagement of successive Fianna Fáil led governments, which has resulted in the huge deficit in our public finances and has led to record job losses;
- expresses its concern at the lack of a cohesive plan to revive the economy and to stimulate economic activity;
- calls on the Government to reverse its decision to unfairly penalise low and medium income public sector workers through the introduction of the pension levy;
- calls on the Government to refocus on job retention including in our manufacturing sector as exemplified in the recent developments at Waterford Crystal and at the Dell plant in Limerick;

- calls on the Government to produce a job creation strategy to frontload labour intensive infrastructural projects; to assist our small and medium sized enterprises through practical assistance, the provision of credit streams and to revive our exporting capacity;
- calls on the Government to set up a one stop shop comprising of all state job creation and training agencies to assist enterprises; and
- calls on the Government to introduce strict controls on senior banking executives and on senior management in public bodies.”—*Arthur Morgan, Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Aengus Ó Snodaigh, Martin Ferris.*

### MEMORANDA

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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 Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 2 p.m.  
Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 2 p.m.

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

*Reachtúil:*

1) An tOrdú fán Acht um Choimisiún chun Drochúsáid Leanaí a Fhiosrú 2000 (Alt 5) (Tréimhse Shonraithe) 2009 (I.R. Uimh. 26 de 2009).

2) An Bord Náisiúnta Leasa Oideachais. Tuarascáil agus Ráitis Airgeadais, 2007.

*Neamhrechtúil:*

An tOrdú fán Acht Sláinte 2007 (Alt 103) (Tosach Feidhme) 2009 (I.R. Uimh. 27 de 2009).

*Statutory:*

1) Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (Section 5) (Specified Period) Order 2009 (S.I. No. 26 of 2009).

2) National Educational Welfare Board. Report and Financial Statements, 2007.

*Non-Statutory:*

Health Act 2007 (Section 103) (Commencement) Order 2009 (S.I. No. 27 of 2009).