

Dé Máirt, 20 Deireadh Fómhair, 2009
Tuesday, 20th October, 2009

2.30 p.m.

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA
PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Fógra i dtaobh leasú ar Thairscint : Notice of Amendment to Motion

67. “That Dáil Éireann calls on the Government to freeze all Government charges on businesses until 2012.” —*Phil Hogan, Leo Varadkar, 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, Paul Kehoe, George Lee, 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.*

Leasú:

Amendment:

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

endorses the actions of the Government to support and develop business in the State through the current difficult economic cycle, and in particular:

- commends the Government for its ongoing commitment to driving down the cost of doing business in Ireland;
- welcomes the undertaking in the renewed Programme for Government to maintain a low rate of business taxation in this country;
- notes that the Commission on Taxation has made certain recommendations regarding broadening the tax base with a view to reducing local authorities levying charges on business;
- recognises that the Government has taken significant measures to mitigate the impact of energy costs upon business;
- commends the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government for calling on Local Authority Managers to implement measures open to local authorities to support new or existing enterprises in their areas by, for example, reducing

- development contribution rates;
- commends the swift action taken by the Government in introducing the Enterprise Stabilisation Fund and the Employment Subsidy Scheme;
 - notes the continued provision of large-scale funding to the bodies charged with Enterprise Development in the State;
 - commends the Government for the strong focus on training and upskilling of those in the workforce and those who have recently been made redundant;
 - commends the continued investment in critical infrastructure in the context of the National Development Plan which will enhance the productive capacity of the economy;
 - supports the actions set out in the Government’s Smart Economy Framework and its commitment to make Ireland a leading knowledge and innovation economy including the achievements of the Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation which will strengthen further our performance;
 - notes the number of initiatives taken by Government to strengthen national competitiveness and which will underpin future economic growth including the High Level Group on Business Regulation, which has already identified savings to business of €20m per annum;
 - welcomes the Government’s determination to reform the way public services are delivered and to drive down the cost of providing those services; and
 - looks forward to future export led growth and the continued strengthening and development of our manufacturing and services sectors.” —*An Tánaiste agus Aire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta.*
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TEACHTAIREACHTAÍ ÓN RIALTAS MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNMENT

Meastacháin i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí, 2009.
Estimates for Public Services, 2009.

For the purpose of Article 17.2 of the Constitution the Government recommend that it is expedient to authorise such payments out of moneys provided by the Oireachtas, of a supplementary sum not exceeding €65,000,000 to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st day of December 2009 for pensions, superannuation, occupational injuries, and additional and other allowances and gratuities under the Superannuation Acts 1834 to 2004 and sundry other statutes; extra-statutory pensions, allowances and gratuities awarded by the Minister for Finance, fees to medical referees and occasional fees to doctors; compensation and other payments in respect of personal injuries; fees to Pensions Board; payments in respect of Pension Benefit System, miscellaneous payments, etc.

Given on this 20th day of October, 2009

(Signed) Brian Cowen,
An Taoiseach.

Meastacháin i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí, 2009.
Estimates for Public Services, 2009.

For the purpose of Article 17.2 of the Constitution the Government recommend that it is

expedient to authorise such payments out of moneys provided by the Oireachtas, of a supplementary sum not exceeding €200,000 to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st day of December 2009 for Secret Service.

Given on this 20th day of October, 2009

(Signed) Brian Cowen,
An Taoiseach.

Meastacháin i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí, 2009.
Estimates for Public Services, 2009.

For the purpose of Article 17.2 of the Constitution the Government recommend that it is expedient to authorise such payments out of moneys provided by the Oireachtas, of a supplementary sum not exceeding €4,000,000 to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st day of December 2009 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Given on this 20th day of October, 2009

(Signed) Brian Cowen,
An Taoiseach.