

# DÁIL ÉIREANN

Dé Céadaoin, 25 Samhain, 2009 Wednesday, 25th November, 2009

RIAR NA hOIBRE ORDER PAPER

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10.30 a.m.

#### ORD GNÓ ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 9. Tairiscint *maidir le* Cead chun Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha a Thabhairt Isteach [Vótaí 19, 20, 22, 27, 30, 31, 34, 37 agus 40].
  - Motion *re* Leave to Introduce Supplementary Estimates [Votes 19, 20, 22, 27, 30, 31, 34, 37 and 40].
- **10.** Tairiscint *maidir le* Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha [Vótaí 19, 20, 22, 27, 30, 31, 34, 37 agus 40] a Tharchur chuig Roghchoiste.
  - Motion *re* Referral of Supplementary Estimates [Votes 19, 20, 22, 27, 30, 31, 34, 37 and 40] to Select Committee.
- 11. Tairiscint maidir le Ceadú beartaithe ag Dáil Éireann i ndáil le téarmaí an Chomhaontaithe idir Rialtas Réigiún Riaracháin Speisialta Hong Cong Dhaonphoblacht na Síne agus Rialtas na hÉireann maidir le Cúnamh Dlíthiúil Frithpháirteach i ndáil le Nithe Coiriúla [Arna breithniú ag an Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan an 17 Samhain, 2009].
  - Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the terms of the Agreement between the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China and the Government of Ireland concerning Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters [Considered by the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights on 17th November, 2009].
- **45.** (*l*) An Bille um Rialáil Iompair Phoiblí 2009 [Seanad] Ordú don Tuarascáil.
  - (a) Public Transport Regulation Bill 2009 [Seanad] Order for Report.
- **46.** (*l*) An Bille Eadrána 2008 Ordú don Tuarascáil.
  - (a) Arbitration Bill 2008 Order for Report.

#### GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

- 95. (l) Tairiscint maidir le Tuilte (atógáil).
  - (a) Motion re Flooding (resumed).

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

Fógraí Tairisceana: Notices of Motions

- **9.** "Go dtabharfaidh an Dáil cead chun na Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha seo a leanas a thabhairt isteach le haghaidh sheirbhís na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2009:—
  - Vóta 19 Dlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas agus Athchóiriú Dlí (*Meastachán Forlíontach*).
  - Vóta 20 An Garda Síochána (*Meastachán Forliontach*).
  - Vóta 22 An tSeirbhís Chúirteanna (*Meastachán Forlíontach*).
  - Vóta 27 An Roinn Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta (*Meastachán Forlíontach*).
  - Vóta 30 Cumarsáid, Fuinneamh agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha (*Meastachán Forlíontach*).
  - Vóta 31 Talmhaíocht, Iascach agus Bia (*Meastachán Forliontach*).
  - Vóta 34 Fiontair, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht (*Meastachán Forliontach*).
  - Vóta 37 Arm-Phinsin (*Meastachán Forlíontach*).
  - Vóta 40 Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte (*Meastachán* Forlíontach).

That leave be given by the Dáil to introduce the following Supplementary Estimates for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2009:—

- Vote 19 Justice, Equality and Law Reform (*Supplementary Estimate*).
- Vote 20 Garda Síochána (Supplementary Estimate).
- Vote 22 Courts Service (Supplementary Estimate).
- Vote 27 Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (Supplementary Estimate).
- Vote 30 Communications, Energy and Natural Resources (*Supplementary Estimate*).
- Vote 31 Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (*Supplementary Estimate*).
- Vote 34 Enterprise, Trade and Employment (*Supplementary Estimate*).
- Vote 37 Army Pensions (Supplementary Estimate).
- Vote 40 Health Service Executive (Supplementary Estimate)."

—An tAire Airgeadais.

- 10. "Faoi réir cead a thabhairt chun na Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha seo a leanas a thabhairt isteach i gcomhair sheirbhís na bliana dar críoch an 31 Nollaig, 2009, go dtarchuirfear na Meastacháin Fhorlíontacha chuig na Roghchoistí seo a leanas de bhun Bhuan-Ordú 154(3) agus mhír (1)(a)(ii) d'Orduithe Tagartha na gCoistí agus go dtabharfaidh na Coistí tuairisc don Dáil tráth nach déanaí ná an 8 Nollaig:-
  - Vóta 19 Dlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas agus Athchóiriú Dlí

That, subject to leave being given to introduce the following Supplementary Estimates for the service of the year ending on 31st December, 2009, the Supplementary Estimates be referred to the following Select Committees pursuant to Standing Order 154(3) and paragraph (1)(a)(ii) of the Committees' Orders of Reference, which shall report back to the Dáil by no later than 8th December:-

Vote 19 — Justice, Equality and Law Reform (Supplementary Estimate) —

(Meastachán Forliontach) — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.

Vóta 20 — An Garda Síochána (*Meastachán Forliontach*) — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.

Vóta 22 — An tSeirbhís Chúirteanna (*Meastachán Forliontach*) — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.

Vóta 27 — An Roinn Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta (*Meastachán Forlíontach*) — An Roghchoiste um Ghnóthaí Ealaíon, Spóirt, Turasóireachta, Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta.

Vóta 30 — Cumarsáid, Fuinneamh agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha (*Meastachán Forlíontach*) — An Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Fuinneamh agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha.

Vóta 31 — Talmhaíocht, Iascach agus Bia (*Meastachán Forliontach*) — An Roghchoiste um Thalmhaíocht, Iascach agus Bia.

Vóta 34 — Fiontair, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht (*Meastachán Forliontach*) — An Roghchoiste um Fhiontair, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht.

Vóta 37 — Arm-Phinsin (*Meastachán Forliontach*) — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.

Vóta 40 — Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte (*Meastachán* Forlíontach) — An Roghchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí. Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

Vote 20 — Garda Síochána (Supplementary Estimate) — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

Vote 22 — Courts Service (Supplementary Estimate) — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

Vote 27 — Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (Supplementary Estimate) — Select Committee on Arts, Sport, Tourism, Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs.

Vote 30 — Communications, Energy and Natural Resources (*Supplementary Estimate*) — Select Committee on Communications, Energy and Natural Resources.

Vote 31 — Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Supplementary Estimate) — Select Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Vote 34 — Enterprise, Trade and Employment (*Supplementary Estimate*) — Select Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

Vote 37 — Army Pensions (Supplementary Estimate) — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights.

Vote 40 — Health Service Executive (Supplementary Estimate) — Select Committee on Health and Children."

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

**11.** "Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann téarmaí an Chomhaontaithe idir Rialtas Réigiún

That Dáil Éireann approves the terms of the Agreement between the Government of Hong

Riaracháin Speisialta Hong Cong Dhaonphoblacht na Síne agus Rialtas na hÉireann maidir le Cúnamh Dlíthiúil Frithpháirteach i ndáil le Nithe Coiriúla a síníodh i Réigiún Riaracháin Speisialta Hong Cong an 19 Meán Fómhair, 2001, agus ar leagadh cóipeanna de faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 1 Deireadh Fómhair, 2009. Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China and the Government of Ireland concerning Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters which was signed at the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on 19th September, 2001, copies of which were laid before Dáil Éireann on 1st October, 2009."

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

## ORDUITHE AN LAE ORDERS OF THE DAY

- **45.** (*l*) An Bille um Rialáil Iompair Phoiblí 2009 [Seanad] Ordú don Tuarascáil.
  - (a) Public Transport Regulation Bill 2009 [Seanad] Order for Report.
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#### GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

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

#### 95. "That Dáil Éireann:

- expresses its sympathy to all citizens affected by recent flooding in all parts of the country;
- notes the severe social and economic hardship caused by serious flooding;
- recognises that increased rainfall in Ireland will be a consequence of global warming and that Government will have to adapt to changing climate patterns;
- notes with concern that Government has no co-ordinated and integrated flooding alert system or response plan in the event of serious flooding; and
- recognises that most other developed at risk countries have advanced flood warning systems that act to minimise damage and disruption caused by flooding;

calls on the Government to develop a new national flood alert system to be controlled by the Environmental Protection Agency and Met Éireann that is based on a system of flood alert codes that results in co-ordinated preventative action from the local authorities, civil defence, the Office of Public Works, and the emergency services; and

calls on the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government to:

- immediately support local authorities in providing safe drinking water to communities with potentially contaminated water supplies caused by flooding;
- immediately request reports from all local authorities to outline the damage caused and reasons for recent flooding;
- review the national flood relief capital programme in order to prioritise areas subject to frequent flooding; and

— explore the possibility of any climate change assistance or disaster relief funds being made available to victims of climate change damage, particularly those affected by chronic flooding." — Phil Hogan, 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, Leo Varadkar

[24 *November*, 2009]

### Leasú (atógáil):

Amendment (resumed):

- 1. To delete all words after "to adapt to climate patterns", in the third indent and substitute the following:
- "— expresses its appreciation to all the personnel who assisted in the rescue and provision of assistance to members of the public affected by the recent floods;
- notes the co-ordinated response of the major response agencies and voluntary agencies to the flooding;
- notes the significant flood defence measures undertaken at known flood risk locations;
- notes the Office of Public Works expenditure of €100 million in the last 5 years on flood relief, including an anticipated capital expenditure of €38 million this year;
- commends the investment of in excess of €200 million from now to 2014;
- notes the OPW website www.flooding.ie which provides practical help to all those whose homes or businesses may be at risk of flooding and the website www.floodmaps.ie which provides useful information to planning authorities, a number of bodies or organisations and the public for the purpose of land-use zoning, development control, planning of infrastructure, identification of properties at risk, flood warning and raise the general awareness amongst the public of the risk to property and possibly life;
- notes the significant funding made available by the Government over 5 years under the Water Services Investment Programme in response to specific environmental, public health and economic needs; and
- motes the draft guidelines 'The Planning System and Flood Risk Management' published by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government and the Minister of State at the Department of Finance with responsibility for the Office of Public Works." An tAire Comhshaoil, Oidhreachta agus Rialtais Áitiúil.

#### **MEMORANDA**

Dé Céadaoin, 25 Samhain, 2009 Wednesday, 25th November, 2009

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Chumarsáid, Fuinneamh agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha 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.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Chomhshaol, Oidhreacht agus Rialtas Áitiúil i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 10 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Airgeadas agus an tSeirbhís Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Finance and the Public Service in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 10 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 10.45 a.m. (príobháideach).

Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 10.45 a.m. (private).

Comhchruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Thalmhaíocht, Iascach agus Bia agus den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 11.30 a.m.

Joint meeting of the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 11.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 2 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Social and Family Affairs in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 2 p.m.

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#### Meastacháin (An Roinn Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta): Estimates (Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs):

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Ghnóthaí Ealaíon, Spóirt, Turasóireachta, Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Arts, Sport, Tourism, Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

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Comhchruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Athrú Aeráide agus Áirithiú Fuinnimh agus den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eachtracha i Seomra Coiste 1, TL 2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Joint meeting of the Joint Committee on Climate Change and Energy Security and the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs in Committee Room 1, LH 2000, at 2.30 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Athrú Aeráide agus Áirithiú Fuinnimh i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, (i ndiaidh dheireadh an Chomhshuí leis an gComhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eachtracha) (príobháideach).

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Climate Change and Energy Security in Committee Room 1, LH2000, (following conclusion of the Joint Sitting with the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs) (private).

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um an Leasú Bunreachta maidir le Leanaí i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 5 p.m. *(príobháideach)*.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on the Constitutional Amendment on Children in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 5 p.m. (*private*).