

# DÁIL ÉIREANN

Déardaoin, 13 Eanáir, 2011 Thursday, 13th January, 2011

RIAR NA hOIBRE ORDER PAPER

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10.30 a.m.

#### ORD GNÓ ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. An Bille um Rialáil Cumarsáide (Seirbhísí Poist) 2010 [Seanad] — An Dara Céim. Communications Regulation (Postal Services) Bill 2010 [Seanad] — Second Stage.

## GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

- **84.** (*l*) Tairiscint maidir le Fóntais Uisce (atógáil).
  - (a) Motion re Water Utilities (resumed).

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

Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad

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

#### **84.** "That Dáil Éireann:

- recognises the social and economic hardship caused by water restrictions and disruptions for families and local businesses;
- recognises that an inefficient, outdated and fragmented water network has contributed to drinking water supply problems across the State;
- notes that the State spends €1 billion every year in current and capital expenditure for water treatment and supply;
- notes the need for significant water capital investment for the next four years and recognises the difficulty for the State in financing such investment through Exchequer funding;
- condemns the vast amount of waste caused by 43% of water supplies lost through unidentified leaks; and
- notes that problems associated with water shortages were discussed in Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann in January 2010 with little action taken since then to avoid a repeat of similar problems;

#### calls on Government to:

- establish a single publicly owned water utility company to take over responsibility for water investment and mains management on a national basis while allowing local authorities to tender for the provision of services;
- establish a new Utilities Commission to merge existing regulators for utilities and to take responsibility for regulating a new water utility company;
- reallocate future water funding from the Exchequer to prioritise water conservation by investment in water mains weather proofing; and
- examine all engineering resources of the State to ensure a rapid remedy to widespread burst water mains." 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, 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.

[12 *January*, 2011]

Leasú (atógáil): Amendment (resumed):

- 1. To delete all words after "Dáil Éireann" and substitute the following:
- "— recognises the difficulties for families and businesses caused by the recent water supply disruptions;
- acknowledges the extensive efforts by county and city councils to prepare for
  potential water supply disruptions caused by recent extreme weather conditions, to
  minimise disruptions for households and businesses and to make alternative supplies
  available where necessary, and to restore water supplies as quickly as possible;
- recognises the importance of the work already carried out by the councils, and funded by the Exchequer, to develop water management systems and active leakage controls in identifying and repairing leaks;
- notes the comprehensive review of the Water Services Investment Programme 2010 2012 completed in 2010 which:
  - provides for ongoing major investment in water services in the 2010 2012 period, with €495 million spent in 2010 and €435 million provided for 2011;
  - accords the highest priority to investment in water conservation to address the unacceptably high levels of leakage in water supply systems; and
  - includes contracts to the value of €320 million to commence on water conservation projects, including mains rehabilitation, in that period, which is more than double the investment in water conservation compared to the preceding 7 years;
- notes the proposals in the National Recovery Plan 2011 2014, published in November 2010, to:
  - commence a programme of domestic metering to be funded by the National Pensions Reserve Fund; and
  - establish an independent regulator for the water sector; and
- notes the Government's intention shortly to commence an assessment of the need for a national water authority, which will consider, *inter alia*, the role of such an authority, the costs and benefits of establishing it and its relationship with other actors in the sector including local authorities." *An tAire Comhshaoil, Oidhreachta agus Rialtais Áitiúil*.

#### Déardaoin, 13 Eanáir, 2011 Thursday, 13th January, 2011

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.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Oideachas agus Scileanna i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Education and Skills in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 10 a.m.

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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 Fhochoiste um Chearta an Duine i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 11.30 a.m. Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 11.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Athrú Aeráide agus Áirithiú Fuinnimh i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Climate Change and Energy Security in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 2.45 p.m. Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 2.45 p.m.

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

Reachtúil:

Statutory:

- 1) Bord Leigheasra na hÉireann. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, 2009.
- 1) Irish Medicines Board. Annual Report, 2009.
- 2) Na Rialacháin um na hAchtanna Aturnaetha 1954 go 2008 (An Séú Sceideal), 2011 (I.R. Uimh. 604 de 2010).
- 2) Solicitors Acts 1954 to 2008 (Sixth Schedule) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 604 of 2010).
- 3) Na Rialacháin um na hAchtanna Aturnaetha 1954 go 2008 (Táillí), 2011 (I.R. Uimh. 605 de 2010).
- 3) Solicitors Acts 1954 to 2008 (Fees) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 605 of 2010).

- 4) Na Rialacháin Leasa Shóisialaigh (Éilimh agus Íocaíochtaí Comhdhlúite agus Rialú) (Leasú) (Uimh. 2) (Éilimh), 2010 (I.R. Uimh. 661 de 2010).
- 5) Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Rialachán (CE) Uimh. 1234/2007 ón gComhairle maidir le caighdeáin mhargaíochta mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2010) 738.
- 6) Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle maidir le scéimeanna cáilíochta táirgí talmhaíochta mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.
  COM (2010) 733.
- 7) Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle ar dhlínse agus ar aithint agus ar fhorghníomhú breithiúnas in ábhair shibhialta agus tráchtála (Athmhúnlú) mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2010) 748.
- 8) Na Rialacháin um na hAchtanna Aturnaetha 1954 go 2008 (Deimhniú Cleachta 2011), 2010 (I.R. Uimh. 641 de 2010).
- 9) An tOrdú um Thurasóireacht Mhara (Riarachán Roinne agus Feidhmeanna Aire a Aistriú), 2010 (I.R. Uimh. 677 de 2010).
- 10) Na Rialacháin Cánach Ioncaim (Conarthaí Iomchuí) (Leasú), 2010 (I.R. Uimh. 674 de 2010).
- 11) An Coimisiún um Rialáil Eitlíochta. Ráitis Airgeadais don bhliain dar chríoch an 31 Nollaig, 2009.

Neamhreachtúil:

- 4) Social Welfare (Consolidated Claims, Payments and Control) (Amendment) (No. 2) (Claims) Regulations 2010 (S.I. No. 661 of 2010).
- 5) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No. 1234/2007 as regards marketing standards together with explanatory information note. COM (2010) 738.
- 6) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on agricultural product quality schemes together with explanatory information note. COM (2010) 733.
- 7) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters (Recast) together with explanatory information note. COM (2010) 748.
- 8) Solicitors Acts 1954 to 2008 (Practising Certificate 2011) Regulations 2010 (S.I. No. 641 of 2010).
- 9) Marine Tourism (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. No. 677 of 2010).
- 10) Income Tax (Relevant Contracts) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. No. 674 of 2010).
- 11) Commission for Aviation Regulation. Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December, 2009.

*Non-Statutory:* 

- 1) Tithe an Oireachtais. An Conradh ar an Aontas Eorpach: Doiciméid a fuarthas de bhun an Phrótacail maidir le ról Parlaimintí Náisiúnta san Aontas Eorpach. 20 Nollaig, 2010 go 7 Eanáir, 2011.
- 2) Na Rialacháin um Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Dlíodóirí a Bhunú) 2003 (Deimhniú Cáiliúcháin 2011), 2010 (I.R. Uimh. 640 de 2010).
- 3) Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Táirgí Cosanta Plandaí a Údarú, a Chur ar an Margadh, a Úsáid agus a Rialú) (Leasú) (Uimh. 5), 2010 (I.R. Uimh. 663 de 2010).
- 4) Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Súnna Torthaí agus Táirgí Áirithe dá Samhail a Mhargú) (Leasú), 2010 (I.R. Uimh. 609 de 2010).

- 1) Houses of the Oireachtas. Treaty on European Union: Documents received pursuant to Protocol on the role of National Parliaments in the European Union.
  20 December, 2010 to 7 January, 2011.
- 2) European Communities (Lawyers' Establishment) Regulations 2003 (Qualifying Certificate 2011) Regulations 2010 (S.I. No. 640 of 2010).
- 3) European Communities (Authorisation, Placing on the Market, Use and Control of Plant Protection Products) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2010 (S.I. No. 663 of 2010).
- 4) European Communities (Marketing of Fruit Juices and Certain Similar Products) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. No. 609 of 2010).