



## **DÁIL ÉIREANN**

*Dé Céadaoin, 13 Márta, 2013*  
*Wednesday, 13th March, 2013*

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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**

- 21a.** Ráitis maidir leis an réamhchruinniú den Chomhairle Eorpach an 14-15 Márta.  
Statements on pre European Council meeting of 14th-15th March.
- 22.** (l) An Bille Airgeadais, 2013 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
(a) Finance Bill 2013 — Order for Report.
- 1.** An Bille um Fhorbairt Tionscail (Fondúireacht Eolaíochta Éireann) (Leasú), 2012  
[*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.  
Industrial Development (Science Foundation Ireland) (Amendment) Bill 2012 [*Seanad*]  
— Second Stage.

**GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA**  
**PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

- 91.** (l) Tairiscint maidir le Cruthú Post agus Fás Eacnamaíoch (*atógáil*).  
(a) Motion *re* Job Creation and Economic Growth (*resumed*).

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

- 9a.** An Bille um an Dlí Coiriúil (Cionta Gnéasacha) (Leasú), 2013 — An Chéad Chéim.  
Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) (Amendment) Bill 2013 — First Stage.
- 9b.** An Bille um Chosaint Mháithreachais (Comhaltaí de Thithe an Oireachtais), 2013 — An Chéad Chéim.  
Maternity Protection (Members of the Houses of the Oireachtas) Bill 2013 — First Stage.
- 22a.** Ráitis maidir leis an Tuarascáil Eatramhach ar DNA Eachá i bhFeoil Phróiseáilte/ar Mhílipéadú Feola Próiseáilte.  
Statements on the Interim Report on the Equine DNA/Mislabelling of Processed Meat.

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

*Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad*

1. An Bille um Fhorbairt Tionscail (Fondúireacht Eolaíochta Éireann) (Leasú), 2012 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.  
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*Billí a thionscnamh : Initiation of Bills*

*Tabhairt Isteach:*  
*Introduction:*

9. An Bille um Achomhairc Leasa Shóisialaigh, 2013 — An Chéad Chéim.  
Social Welfare Appeals Bill 2013 — First Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú go gcinnfear achomhairc leasa shóisialaigh laistigh de thrí mhí ach amháin in imthosca fíormhaolaitheacha.

Bill entitled an Act to provide that social welfare appeals will be decided within three months except in the most extenuating circumstances.

—*Willie O'Dea.*

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Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) (Amendment) Bill 2013 — First Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh coir de sheirbhísí gnéasacha a cheannach agus chun na críche sin do dhéanamh cion de dhuine a fhrúiliú, nó d'iarracht a dhéanamh ar dhuine a fhrúiliú, d'fhonn seirbhísí gnéasacha a fháil i gcomaoin íocaíochta agus do dhéanamh cion de dhuine d'fháil seirbhísí gnéasacha trí striapachas; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le smachtbhanna riaracháin le haghaidh ciontóirí céaduaire agus do dhéanamh socrú maidir le pionóis mhéadaithe agus chun na críche sin do leasú an Achta um an Dlí Coiriúil (Cionta Gnéasacha), 1993 agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to criminalise the purchase of sexual services and for that purpose to make it an offence to engage or attempt to engage a person for the purposes of obtaining sexual services in return for payment and to make it an offence for a person to obtain sexual services by means of prostitution; to provide for an administrative sanction for first-time offenders and to provide for increased penalties and for that purpose to amend the Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Act 1993 and to provide for related matters.

—*Thomas Pringle.*

- 9b. An Bille um Chosaint Mháithreachais (Comhaltaí de Thithe an Oireachtais), 2013 — An Chéad Chéim.  
Maternity Protection (Members of the Houses of the Oireachtas) Bill 2013 — First Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do sholáthar saoire mháithreachais do mhná ar comhaltaí de Thithe an Oireachtais iad agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to provide maternity leave for female members of the Houses of the Oireachtas and to provide for related matters.

—*Seán Ó Fearghail.*

### **ORDUITHE AN LAE ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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### **GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

*Tairiscint (atógáil) (1 ur. 30 n. fágtha):*

*Motion (resumed) (1 hr. 30 m. remaining):*

**91.** “That Dáil Éireann:

notes that:

- the disastrous economic management of the previous Fianna Fáil Government resulted in unemployment rates rising from 5 per cent in 2008 to 13 per cent in 2009, peaking at 14.3 per cent in September 2010; and unemployment rates have continued at this level under the current Government;
- the rates of long-term unemployment have increased, with almost 60 per cent of all unemployed persons out of work for more than 12 months; and the youth unemployment level is in excess of 27 per cent; and
- the levels of emigration have increased over the past two years, with 167,000 leaving since 2011, which equates to over 1,600 people leaving every week;

further notes:

- in 2012 almost 12,800 net full-time jobs were lost in the economy and replaced by 14,000 part-time jobs;
- the rise in underemployment, with almost one third of part-time workers seeking additional hours;
- that the Government Action Plan on Jobs fails to have annual targets for job creation or reductions in levels of unemployment and has failed the test of tackling

unemployment;

- the failure of bailout banks to support Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) with increased new lending;
- that as the largest employer, the Government has shredded 30,000 jobs, which has undermined public services;
- that the employment crisis has a differential impact on communities across the State and the Government has failed to address these inequalities;
- the resilience of our SME sector and our workers who have continued to work and produce goods and services in an economy undermined by Government policy; and
- the negative impact of the border with regard to realising the economic potential of our island;

acknowledges that the Government:

- has failed to impact, in a substantive way, on the unemployment crisis;
- has a role to play in creating and retaining jobs; and
- should fully support workers and the SME sector to promote growth and jobs; and

calls on the Government to:

- establish a jobs stimulus fund of €13 billion to reflect the scale of the crisis we face;
- target investment towards projects that will create employment, develop infrastructure and enhance our competitiveness;
- tackle barriers to competitiveness by:
  - abolishing upward only rent review clauses;
  - addressing excessive utility, legal and insurance costs;
  - introducing progressive commercial rates; and
  - combatting cartels;
- pledge that citizens are not forced into emigration by economic necessity; and to put in place schemes that will guarantee young people jobs, training or continued education;
- develop regional targets and budgets to promote job creation and tackle economic inequalities; and
- work with the Northern Ireland Executive to promote an all-island approach to skills, job creation and economic growth.” — *Peadar Tóibín, Gerry Adams, Michael Colreavy, Seán Crowe, Pearse Doherty, Dessie Ellis, Martin Ferris, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Mary Lou McDonald, Sandra McLellan, Jonathan O'Brien, Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Aengus Ó Snodaigh, Brian Stanley.*

[12 March, 2013]

*Leasú :*

*Amendments:*

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

“acknowledges the Government’s recent achievements in:

- renegotiating the EU/IMF bailout to cut interest payments and free up investments for stimulus;

- reducing Ireland's borrowing needs by €20 billion over the coming decade by securing a restructuring of the promissory notes to creditors in Anglo Irish and Irish Nationwide banks;
- improving access to finance for business by:
  - re-capitalising the pillar banks;
  - setting lending targets; and
  - introducing new financing options such as the Partial Credit Guarantee Scheme, the Microfinance Fund and the Development Capital Scheme;
- placing a whole-of-Government focus on supporting job creation through the cumulative effect of the annual Action Plan for Jobs process, which builds on the initial Jobs Initiative of May 2011; and
- assisting the long-term unemployed being prepared to move into employment through more regular engagement, upskilling and training under the Pathways to Work programme;

notes:

- the systematic way in which the Government and its agencies implemented the 2012 Action Plan for Jobs which, in parallel with the recently launched 2013 Plan, is helping to transform the operating environment for business, to support job creation and competitiveness; subsequent Action Plans will build on the work completed by the first two;
- a net increase of over 10,000 jobs in Enterprise Ireland and the Industrial Development Authority (IDA) Ireland companies in 2012, which is the highest level of job creation since 2006 for Enterprise Ireland companies, and the highest level in a decade for IDA Ireland companies;
- the 1,200 increase in employment in the latest Quarterly National Household Survey figures which is the first annual increase in employment recorded since the second quarter of 2008;
- that private sector employment has grown on average by 1,000 jobs a month in the past 15 months; this is in contrast to 250,000 private sector jobs being lost in the three years before the current Government took office;
- the major jobs announcements since March 2011 including: PayPal (1,000 jobs), Kerry Group (800 jobs), Sky (800 jobs), Paddy Power (600 jobs), Mylan (500 jobs), Apple (500 jobs), Northern Trust (400 jobs), EA/Bioware (500 jobs in total), Eli Lilly (200 jobs) and HP (280 jobs);
- the regional spread of these new jobs, including new investments in Letterkenny, Sligo, Mayo, Westport, Galway, Louth, Dundalk, Drogheda, Kildare, Leixlip, Kilkenny, Bray and Limerick;
- the latest goods trade figures published by the Central Statistics Office, which showed that goods exports in 2012 increased on 2011 levels to hit €92 billion, the highest figure since 2002, while services exports for the first nine months of 2012 are up over 11 per cent on the equivalent period in 2011; hence, the annual overall increase in exports for 2012 is likely to be significant;
- that Budget 2013 includes a 10 point plan to support the Small and Medium Enterprise sector;

- the achievement of the Government in securing agreement under the Irish Presidency of the EU for a pan-European fund of €6 billion for a Youth Guarantee Scheme to address youth unemployment;
- that, through a variety of funds and schemes, the Government has managed to provide more than €2 billion of non-bank, new streams of finance into the market through such initiatives as the Development Capital Fund, the Partial Credit Guarantee Scheme, Innovation Fund Ireland, a new Seed and Venture Capital Fund and a variety of National Pensions Reserve Fund SME funds;
- the on-going cross-border co-operation on economic development, through the work of agencies such as Tourism Ireland, InterTradeIreland and others; and
- the increased expenditure on employment support schemes since the current Government took office, such that total spending in support of people who are unemployed has increased significantly from €958 million in 2012 to €1.045 billion in 2013 with an additional 10,000 work placements as well as support for additional training and educational opportunities; and

commends the Government for:

- restoring Ireland’s reputation internationally as a stable economy which is open for business and attractive for investors; with the two major international rankings of competitiveness indicating that our performance is going in the right direction; according to the IMD’s World Competitiveness Yearbook, Ireland is ranked 20th in 2012, up from 24th in 2011;
- re-establishing order in the banking system and allowing Ireland to re-enter the bond markets;
- maintaining Ireland’s corporation tax rate at 12.5 per cent and keeping income taxes at the same levels since coming into Government;
- the implementation of a stringent monitoring and reporting structure for the cross-Government implementation of the Action Plan for Jobs, led by the Department of the Taoiseach, to ensure that job creation is the number one priority of all Departments and agencies of the State;
- the strategic focus of the Disruptive Reforms measures contained in the Action Plan for Jobs, being implemented in partnership with senior industry figures, which have the potential for significant job creation;
- facilitating growth in employment for the first time since 2008 by systematically tackling issues that have improved the operating environment for business and strengthened Ireland’s competitiveness;
- recognising the critical contribution of the micro and small business sector in job creation and commends the Government’s commitment to reform of the micro and small business infrastructure, including providing a first-stop-shop to support the sector;
- targeting investment under its Capital Investment Programme at projects that will create employment; and
- addressing the skills needs of the economy through programmes such as Springboard, JobBridge and the ICT Action Plan, which are providing education, training and work experience directly linked to the needs of the enterprise sector.” (*resumed*) — *An tAire Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta*.

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



“notes that, in its most recent Medium-Term Fiscal Statement, the Government revised downwards the forecast for net job creation during the lifetime of the current Dáil; and

calls for measures to improve employment in the economy including:

- front-loading spending of the 2013 Exchequer Capital Budget and an end to this Government’s practice of under spending the Capital Budget to correct for the failure to meet current spending targets;
  - scrapping the Pension Fund levy and replacing it with a mandatory investment in high quality infrastructure projects by private pensions which will deliver a productive return for both the funds and the economy;
  - definitively addressing the failure of the pillar banks to meet the credit needs of the Small and Medium Enterprise sector;
  - tackling the black economy, particularly in the building trade, by giving a tax credit for work carried out by registered, tax compliant contractors;
  - introducing an appeals mechanism based on economic circumstances, which is required to limit the burden of commercial rates;
  - doubling the budget for County and City Enterprise Boards and reversing the decision to abolish them;
  - reversing the cuts to the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland grants for home insulation;
  - investigating the potential for providing access to vacant or underutilised public property for entrepreneurs or business start-ups to use as incubation centres;
  - increasing by up to 20,000 the number of places across local employment schemes; and
  - establishing a Retail Strategy Group to deal with the decline in trade in town centres.”
- *Dara Calleary, John Browne, Niall Collins, Barry Cowen, Timmy Dooley, Seán Fleming, Billy Kelleher, Seamus Kirk, Michael P. Kitt, Micheál Martin, Michael Moynihan, Charlie McConalogue, Michael McGrath, John McGuinness, Éamon Ó Cuív, Willie O’Dea, Seán Ó Fearghail, Brendan Smith, Robert Troy.*

## MEMORANDA

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Iompar agus Cumarsáid i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Transport and Communications in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Oideachas agus Coimirce Shóisialach i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 1 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Education and Social Protection in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 1 p.m.

Cruinniú den Fhochoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach- Airgeadas agus Caiteachas Poiblí (den Chomhchoiste um Airgeadas, Caiteachas Poiblí agus Athchóiriú) i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 2 p.m. (*priobháideach*).

Meeting of the Sub-Committee on European Scrutiny-Finance and Public Expenditure (of the Joint Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform) in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 2 p.m. (*private*).

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Cosaint agus Comhionannas i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 2 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Justice, Defence and Equality in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 2 p.m.

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### SCRÍBHINNÍ A LEAGADH FAOI BHRÁID NA dTITHE DOCUMENTS LAID BEFORE THE HOUSES<sup>1</sup>

#### *Reachtúil*

#### *Statutory*

#### *Eile*

#### *Other*

Tuarascáil ó Chigireacht an Gharda Síochána maidir le Maoirseacht ar Fhoireann Túsline.

Report of the Garda Síochána Inspectorate on Frontline Supervision.

Seirbhís Fuilaeistriúcháin na hÉireann. Ráitis Airgeadais don bhliain dar chríoch 31 Nollaig, 2011.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service. Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December, 2011.

Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Rialachán (AE) Uimh. 912/2010 lena mbunaítear an Ghníomhaireacht Eorpach GNSS mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No. 912/2010 setting up the European GNSS Agency together with explanatory information note.

COM (2013) 40.

COM (2013) 40.

#### *Neamhrechtúil*

#### *Non-Statutory*

Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Íocaíocht a Dhéanamh Déanach in Idirbhearta Tráchtála) (Leasú), 2013 (I.R. Uimh. 74 de 2013).

European Communities (Late Payment in Commercial Transactions) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 (S.I. No. 74 of 2013).

An tOrdú fán Acht um an gCiste Reachtúil Foras Cónaithe, 2012 (Tosach Feidhme Forálacha Áirithe), 2013 (I.R. Uimh. 79 de 2013).

Residential Institutions Statutory Fund Act 2012 (Commencement of Certain Provisions) Order 2013 (S.I. No. 79 of 2013).

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<sup>1</sup> I gcás nach leagtar scríbhinn ach faoi bhráid aon Teach amháin, cuirfear (D) – Dáil nó (S) – Seanad ina diaidh dá réir sin.

Where a document is laid before one House only it will be appended with (D) – Dáil or (S) – Seanad accordingly.