



DÁIL ÉIREANN

Dé Máirt, 14 Iúil, 2020
Tuesday, 14th July, 2020

RIAR NA hOIBRE
ORDER PAPER

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2 p.m.

ORD GNÓ
ORDER OF BUSINESS

5. Tairiscint *maidir le* Comhaltaí de Choimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas a Cheapadh.
Motion *re* Appointment of Members of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission.
6. An Bille um an nGníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta (Leasú) agus um Sholáthar Seirbhísí Lárnacha Cisteáin, 2020 — Rún Airgeadais.
National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 — Financial Resolution.
2. (l) An Bille um Fhorálacha Airgeadais (Covid-19), 2020 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
(a) Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 — Order for Second Stage.

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA
PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

10. Tairiscint *maidir le* Leathnú Sealadach ar Shochar Máithreachais in 2020.
Motion *re* Temporary Extension of Maternity Benefit in 2020.

I dTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ
AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Billí ón Seanad: Bills from the Seanad

1. An Bille Oideachais (Cairt Mac Léinn agus Tuismitheoirí), 2019 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.
Education (Student and Parent Charter) Bill 2019 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

Billí a thionscnamh: Initiation of Bills

Tíolactha:
Presented:

2. (l) An Bille um Fhorálacha Airgeadais (Covid-19), 2020 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
(a) Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht dá chumasú don Stát páirt a ghlacadh san ionstraim Eorpach i gcomhair tacaíocht shealadach chun príacail dífhostaíochta a mhaolú in éigeandáil (SURE) arna bunú le hAirteagal 1 de Rialachán (AE) 2020/672 ón gComhairle an 19 Bealtaine 2020 agus, chun na críche sin, dá chumasú don Stát dul faoin ráthaíocht dá bhforáiltear in Airteagal 11(2) agus (3) den Rialachán sin ón gComhairle; maidir le Ciste áirithe (an Ciste Ráthaíochta Uile-Eorpach), ar Ciste é is ábhar do rún ó bhord stiúrthóirí an Bhainc Eorpaigh Infheistíochta an 26 Bealtaine 2020, agus ar Ciste é a bhunófar sna himthosca dá ndéantar foráil sa rún sin, dá chumasú don Stát páirt a ghlacadh sa Chiste sin, agus chun na críche sin, dá chumasú don Stát comhaontú ráthaíochta áirithe a dhéanamh agus comhaontú ranníocaíochta áirithe a dhéanamh a bhaineann le hoibriú an Chiste sin; do leasú alt 5 den Acht um Chorporáid Baincéireachta Straitéiseach na hÉireann, 2014 i ndáil le Corparáid Baincéireachta Straitéiseach na hÉireann do thabhairt ráthaíochtaí; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le forfheidhmiú dámhachtainí eadrána a bhfuil feidhm ag an Tríú Prótocal (a rinneadh in Strasbourg an 6 Márta 1959) a ghabhann leis an gComhaontú Ginearálta ar Phribhléidí agus ar Dhíolúintí Chomhairle na hEorpa (a rinneadh i bPáras an 2 Meán Fómhair 1949) maidir leis; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to enable the State to participate in the European instrument for temporary support to mitigate unemployment risks in an emergency (SURE) established by Article 1 of Council Regulation (EU) 2020/672 of 19 May 2020 and, for that purpose, to enable the State to enter into the guarantee provided for in Article 11(2) and (3) of that Council Regulation; as respects a certain Fund (the Pan-European Guarantee Fund), the subject of a resolution of the board of directors of the European Investment Bank of 26 May 2020, and which Fund will be established in the circumstances as provided for in that resolution, to enable the State to participate in that Fund and, for that purpose, to enable the State to enter into a certain guarantee agreement and a certain contribution agreement connected with the operation of that Fund; to amend section 5 of the Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland Act 2014 in relation to the giving of guarantees by the Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland; to make provision for the enforcement of arbitral awards to which the Third Protocol (done at Strasbourg on 6 March 1959) to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe (done at Paris on 2 September 1949) applies; and to provide for related matters.

—An tAire Airgeadais.

3. (l) An Bille um an nGníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta (Leasú) agus um Sholáthar Seirbhísí Lárnacha Cisteáin, 2020 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
 (a) National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leathnú na gríoch chun a n-íocfar an tobhach ar dhiúscairtí iomchuí táirgí peitriam; do leasú agus do leathnú chuspóirí, fheidhmeanna agus chumhachtaí na Gníomhaireachta Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta; do shocrú ráta an tobhaigh ar dhiúscairtí iomchuí táirgí peitriam; do dhéanamh socrú maidir leis an Aire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil do thabhairt ordachán don Gníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta i ndáil leis an nGníomhaireacht d'íoc isteach sa Chiste um Gníomhú ar son na hAeráide méid de na fáltais ón tobhach ar dhiúscairtí iomchuí táirgí peitriam arna mbailiú agus arna ngnóthú; do bhunú an Chiste um Gníomhú ar son na hAeráide; do shocrú ráta an tobhaigh bithbhreosla; do dhéanamh leasuithe áirithe eile i ndáil le hoibleagáidí bithbhreosla; chun na gríoch sin, do leasú agus do leathnú an Achta um an nGníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta, 2007; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le Gníomhaireacht Bainistíochta an Chisteáin Náisiúnta do sholáthar seirbhísí lárnacha cisteáin don Gníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta agus d'Uisce Éireann agus, chun na críche sin, do leasú an Achta um Gníomhaireacht Bainistíochta an Chisteáin Náisiúnta, 2000; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to extend the purposes for which the levy on relevant disposals of petroleum products is paid; to amend and extend the objects, functions and powers of the National Oil Reserves Agency; to set the rate of the levy on relevant disposals of petroleum products; to make provision for the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment to give a direction to the National Oil Reserves Agency in relation to the payment by it of an amount of the proceeds of the levy on relevant disposals of petroleum products collected and recovered into the Climate Action Fund; to establish the Climate Action Fund; to set the rate of the biofuel levy; to make certain other amendments in relation to biofuel obligations; for those purposes to amend and extend the National Oil Reserves Agency Act 2007; to provide for the provision by the National Treasury Management Agency of central treasury services to the National Oil Reserves Agency and Irish Water and for that purpose to amend the National Treasury Management Agency (Amendment) Act 2000; and to provide for related matters.

—*An tAire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil.*

4. An Bille Sláinte (Seirbhís Lia-Chleachtóirí Ginearálta agus Critéir Incháilitheachta a Athrú), 2020 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
 Health (General Practitioner Service and Alteration of Criteria for Eligibility) Bill 2020 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú an Achta Sláinte, 1970 chun na critéir maidir le hincháilitheacht le haghaidh seirbhísí faoin Acht sin a athrú; do dhéanamh socrú, go breisitheach, maidir le seirbhís liachta agus máinliachta lia-chleachtóirí ginearálta a chur ar fáil do dhaoine a bhfuil gnáthchónaí orthu

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Health Act 1970 to alter the criteria in relation to eligibility for services under that Act; to provide, incrementally, for the making available of a general practitioner medical and surgical service to persons who are ordinarily resident in the State and who have

sa Stát agus nach bhfuil trí bliana déag d’aois slánaithe acu; do dhéanamh socrú maidir le leasuithe ilghnéitheacha eile ar an Acht sin; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

not attained the age of thirteen years; to provide for other miscellaneous amendments to that Act; and to provide for related matters.

—*An tAire Sláinte.*

Fógraí Tairisceana: Notices of Motions

5. “Go molann Seanad Éireann, á thabhairt dá aire gur chomhaontaigh an Rialtas, ar an 18 Feabhra 2020, le Sinéad Gibney a cheapadh mar Phríomh-Choimisinéir ar Choimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas agus gur chomhaontaigh an Rialtas, ar an 12 Meitheamh 2020, Rosaleen McDonagh, Ray Murphy, Lucy Michael, Jim Clarken, Adam Harris, Kathleen Lynch agus Michael Finucane a ainmniú lena gceapadh agus, ar an 6 Iúil 2020, Sunniva McDonagh, a ainmniú lena ceapadh ag an Uachtarán mar chomhaltaí de Choimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas, de bhun alt 13(1)(b) den Acht fá Choimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas, 2014 (Uimh. 25 de 2014), go gceapfaidh an tUachtarán Sinéad Gibney, Rosaleen McDonagh, Ray Murphy, Lucy Michael, Jim Clarken, Adam Harris, Kathleen Lynch, Michael Finucane agus Sunniva McDonagh mar chomhaltaí de Choimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas, agus go mbeidh Sinéad Gibney ina Príomh-Choimisinéir ar Choimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas.

That Dáil Éireann, noting that the Government, on 18th February, 2020, agreed to the appointment of Sinéad Gibney as Chief Commissioner of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission and, on 12th June, 2020, agreed to nominate Rosaleen McDonagh, Ray Murphy, Lucy Michael, Jim Clarken, Adam Harris, Kathleen Lynch and Michael Finucane and, on 6th July, 2020, agreed to nominate Sunniva McDonagh, for appointment by the President as members of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission, recommends, pursuant to section 13(1)(b) of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission Act 2014 (No. 25 of 2014), that Sinéad Gibney, Rosaleen McDonagh, Ray Murphy, Lucy Michael, Jim Clarken, Adam Harris, Kathleen Lynch, Michael Finucane and Sunniva McDonagh be appointed by the President as members of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission, and Sinéad Gibney be Chief Commissioner of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission.”

—*An tAire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais.*

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6. An Bille um an nGníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta (Leasú) agus um Sholáthar Seirbhísí Lárnacha Cisteáin, 2020 — Rún Airgeadais.
National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 — Financial Resolution.

“GO nDÉANFAR foráil chun forálacha maidir le muirearú na dtobhach faoi Chodanna 5 agus 5A den Acht um an nGníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta, 2007 a leasú, chun na críocha ar chucu a bhailítear an tobhach faoi Chuid 5 den Acht um an nGníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola

THAT provision be made to amend provisions for the charging of the levies under Parts 5 and 5A of the National Oil Reserves Agency Act 2007, to amend the purposes for which the levy under Part 5 of the National Oil Reserves Agency Act 2007 is collected so that these include contributing to the funding

Náisiúnta, 2007 a leasú ionas go mbeidh ar áireamh iontu ranníoc a dhéanamh i leith mhaoiniú an Chiste um Gníomhú ar son na hAeráide de réir an Achta sin arna leasú, agus chun an tAcht um an nGníomhaireacht Chúltaca Ola Náisiúnta, 2007 a leasú agus a leathnú tuilleadh chun foráil a dhéanamh maidir le bunú agus le hoibriú an Chiste um Gníomhú ar son na hAeráide agus chun sócrú a dhéanamh i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

of the Climate Action Fund in accordance with that Act as amended, and to further amend and extend the National Oil Reserves Agency Act 2007 to make provision for the establishment and operation of the Climate Action Fund and to provide for related matters.”

—*An tAire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil.*

7. “Meastacháin i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí [2020]:

Estimates for Public Services [2020]:

Vóta 11 — Caiteachas Poiblí agus Athchóiriú (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Vote 11 — Public Expenditure and Reform (Revised Estimate).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €42,745,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocthaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe, le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh Oifig an Aire agus chun deontais áirithe a íoc, agus go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €146,000 trí leithreasáí nár caitheadh agus a bhféadfar a dtabhairt suas a iarchur faoi Alt 91 den Acht Airgeadais, 2004 a chur chun feidhme le haghaidh seirbhísí soláthair chaipitiúil.

That a sum not exceeding €42,745,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, for certain services administered by the Office of the Minister and for payment of certain grants and that a sum not exceeding €146,000 be granted by way of the application for capital supply services of unspent appropriations, the surrender of which may be deferred under Section 91 of the Finance Act 2004.

Vóta 12 — Aoisliúntas agus Liúntais Scoir (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Vote 12 — Superannuation and Retired Allowances (Revised Estimate).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €375,517,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocthaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh pinsean, aoisliúntais, díobhálacha ceirde, agus liúntais agus aiscí breise agus eile, faoi na hAchtanna Aoisliúntais, 1834 go 2004 agus faoi reachtanna iolartha eile; le haghaidh pinsin, liúntais agus aiscí seach-reachtúla arna ndámhachtain ag an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe, táillí do liaréiteoirí agus táillí ócáideacha do dhochtúirí; cúitimh agus íocaíochtaí eile i

That a sum not exceeding €375,517,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, 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 Public Expenditure and Reform, fees to medical referees and occasional fees to doctors; compensation and other payments in respect of personal injuries; fees to Pensions

leith díobhálacha pearsanta; táillí don Údarás Pinsean agus táillí gairmiúla eile, íocaíochtaí ilghnéitheacha, etc.

Vóta 13 — Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €490,427,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí; le haghaidh seirbhísí atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin agus chun deontais áirithe a íoc agus chun caiteachas áirithe a chúiteamh, agus go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €8,000,000 trí leithreasáí nár caitheadh agus a bhféadfar a dtabhairt suas a iarchur faoi Alt 91 den Acht Airgeadais, 2004 a chur chun feidhme le haghaidh seirbhísí soláthair chaipitiúil.

Vóta 14 — An tSaotharlann Stáit (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €10,271,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na Saotharlainne Stáit.

Vóta 15 — An tSeirbhís Shicréideach (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €2,000,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh na Seirbhíse Sicréidí.

Vóta 17 — An tSeirbhís um Cheapacháin Phoiblí (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €16,291,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na Seirbhíse um Cheapacháin Phoiblí, agus go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €150,000 trí leithreasáí nár caitheadh agus a bhféadfar a dtabhairt suas a iarchur faoi Alt 91 den Acht Airgeadais, 2004 a chur chun feidhme le haghaidh seirbhísí soláthair chaipitiúil.

Vóta 18 — An Oifig Náisiúnta um

Authority and other professional fees, miscellaneous payments, etc.

Vote 13 — Office of Public Works (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €490,427,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of Public Works; for services administered by that Office and for payment of certain grants and for the recoupment of certain expenditure and that a sum not exceeding €8,000,000 be granted by way of the application for capital supply services of unspent appropriations, the surrender of which may be deferred under Section 91 of the Finance Act 2004.

Vote 14 — State Laboratory (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €10,271,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the State Laboratory.

Vote 15 — Secret Service (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €2,000,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for Secret Service.

Vote 17 — Public Appointments Service (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €16,291,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the Public Appointments Service and that a sum not exceeding €150,000 be granted by way of the application for capital supply services of unspent appropriations, the surrender of which may be deferred under Section 91 of the Finance Act 2004.

Vote 18 — National Shared Services Office

Sheirbhísí Comhroinnte (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €55,400,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na hOifige Náisiúnta um Sheirbhísí Comhroinnte, agus go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €1,024,000 trí leithreasáí nár caitheadh agus a bhféadfar a dtabhairt suas a iarchur faoi Alt 91 den Acht Airgeadais, 2004 a chur chun feidhme le haghaidh seirbhísí soláthair chaipitiúil.

Vóta 19 — Oifig an Ombudsman (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €11,839,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Ombudsman, Oifig an Choimisiúin um Cheapacháin Seirbhíse Poiblí, an Choimisiúin um Chaighdeáin in Oifigí Poiblí, Oifig an Choimisinéara Faisnéise agus Oifig an Choimisinéara um Fhaisnéis Comhshaoil.

Vóta 26 — Oideachas agus Scileanna (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €10,133,218,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna, le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus chun deontais áirithe a íoc.

Vóta 39 — An Oifig um Shainfháil Rialtais (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €18,352,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na hOifige um Shainfháil Rialtais, agus go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €59,000 trí

(Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €55,400,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the National Shared Services Office and that a sum not exceeding €1,024,000 be granted by way of the application for capital supply services of unspent appropriations, the surrender of which may be deferred under Section 91 of the Finance Act 2004.

Vote 19 — Office of the Ombudsman (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €11,839,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Ombudsman, the Office of the Commission for Public Service Appointments, the Standards in Public Office Commission, the Office of the Information Commissioner and the Office of the Commissioner for Environmental Information.

Vote 26 — Education and Skills (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €10,133,218,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Education and Skills, for certain services administered by that Office, and for the payments of certain grants.

Vote 39 — Office of Government Procurement (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €18,352,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of Government Procurement and that a sum not exceeding €59,000 be granted by way of the

leithreasáí nár caitheadh agus a bhféadfar a dtabhairt suas a iarchur faoi Alt 91 den Acht Airgeadais, 2004 a chur chun feidhme le haghaidh seirbhísí soláthair chaipitiúil.

Vóta 43 — Oifig Phríomh-Oifigeach Faisnéise an Rialtais (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €21,704,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2020, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig Phríomh-Oifigeach Faisnéise an Rialtais.

application for capital supply services of unspent appropriations, the surrender of which may be deferred under Section 91 of the Finance Act 2004.

Vote 43 — Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (Revised Estimate).

That a sum not exceeding €21,704,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2020, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer.”

—*An tAire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe.*

ORDUITHE AN LAE ORDERS OF THE DAY

8. Ráitis roimh an gcuinniú den Chomhairle Eorpach an 17-18 Iúil, de bhun Bhuan-Ordú 124.
Statements pre European Council meeting of 17th-18th July, pursuant to Standing Order 124.

GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

*Gnó a ordaiódh:
Business ordered:*

9. An Bille Caidrimh Thionscail (Orduithe Fostaíochta Earnála a Dhaingniú), 2020 — An Dara Céim.
Industrial Relations (Sectoral Employment Orders Confirmation) Bill 2020 — Second Stage.

—*Ged Nash, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Duncan Smith.*

*Fógraí Tairisceana:
Notices of Motions:*

10. “That Dáil Éireann:

notes that due to the public health emergency, parents of young babies find themselves facing particular challenges, and that there is an added difficulty in securing childcare for new children;

acknowledges:

- the #ExtendMaternityLeave2020 campaign established by mothers currently on maternity leave;
- the National Women’s Council of Ireland’s support of the campaign; and

- the 28,000 people who signed a petition in support of the campaign; and
- calls on the Government to:
- address this matter urgently by introducing a temporary extension of maternity benefit from six to nine months for mothers whose maternity benefit claim expires between the start of March and end of November, if they wish to avail of it; and
 - ensure this extension is reviewed at the end of November and continued for further mothers, if necessary.” — *Claire Kerrane, Chris Andrews, John Brady, Martin Browne, Pat Buckley, Matt Carthy, Sorca Clarke, Rose Conway-Walsh, Réada Cronin, Seán Crowe, David Cullinane, Pa Daly, Pearse Doherty, Paul Donnelly, Dessie Ellis, Mairéad Farrell, Kathleen Funchion, Thomas Gould, Johnny Guirke, Martin Kenny, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Mary Lou McDonald, Denise Mitchell, Imelda Munster, Johnny Mythen, Eoin Ó Broin, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Ruairí Ó Murchú, Louise O'Reilly, Darren O'Rourke, Aengus Ó Snodaigh, Maurice Quinlivan, Patricia Ryan, Brian Stanley, Pauline Tully, Mark Ward, Violet-Anne Wynne.*

[14 July, 2020]

11. “That Dáil Éireann:

recognises:

- the structural problem of low pay in the Irish economy, resulting in many people living on the breadline, denying them the opportunity of a decent standard of living;
- the precarious nature of many jobs, resulting in many workers being underemployed and dependent on welfare support;
- the lack of entitlement to basic protections such as sick pay and statutory leave for many workers;
- the increasing casualisation of work, with uncertainty about hours and days of work;
- the absence of the right to collective bargaining and representation in the workplace;
- the recent High Court decision to strike down a sectoral employment order, leaving many workers unprotected, and while the Government intends to appeal this judgement, the ultimate need for legislation; and
- the need for a clear pathway to the living wage;

acknowledges:

- that since the emergence of the Covid-19 crisis, there is an even more urgent need to recognise the valuable contribution to our State of the large number of essential workers who are in lower paid and precarious jobs;
- the exceptional efforts of such workers involved in our food production and supermarkets, care assistants, those who collected our waste throughout the crisis and those who provided support services to our frontline healthcare workers to enable them to carry out their duties in conditions that were sanitary and safe, amongst many others; and
- that the Irish State owes a debt of gratitude to its workers, particularly those on low pay and in insecure work; and

resolves:

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- to ensure an enhanced focus within Government on creating good jobs and protecting workers' rights;
- that access to jobs, where workers have a voice that provides a level of autonomy, a decent income, security of tenure, satisfying work in the right quantities and decent working conditions, should be integral to public policy given how this contributes to better health and well-being by tackling inequalities, building self-efficacy and combating poverty; and
- to establish a task force to give effect to this Resolution.” — *Gary Gannon, Holly Cairns, Catherine Murphy, Cian O'Callaghan, Róisín Shortall, Jennifer Whitmore.*

[14 July, 2020]

12. “That Dáil Éireann:

notes that:

- over 1,400 workers in Debenhams Ireland were told their stores would not be reopening on 9th April, when the United Kingdom (UK) parent company announced it would no longer support the Irish subsidiary;
- several of the stores were trading profitably until the Covid-19 crisis forced their closure;
- the company sought the appointment of liquidators on 16th April, 2020, and KPMG Ireland were appointed by the High Court;
- the company have not sought to negotiate with the workers' representatives since;
- the online business of the company has continued to operate and trade;
- initially workers were informed that the company had liabilities of around €19 million, but this estimate has since been revised to around €225 million;
- Debenhams Ireland had entered an arrangement as co-guarantor of a major debt facility utilised by the UK parent company in 2019;
- another Danish based subsidiary was also initially a co-guarantor of that loan but was released from that status in January this year;
- the debt facility that Debenhams Ireland is guarantor of is around £200 million;
- workers are fearful that the insolvency of their company has all the hallmarks of a tactical insolvency which will leave them as creditors with nothing other than statutory entitlements;
- even the statutory entitlements will have to be met from the State's own funds;
- after months, the workers remain uncertain what, if any, future awaits them and their jobs;
- recently there have been attempts to remove a large amount of stock from the stores;
- Debenhams UK has claimed much of this stock is its property; and
- the workers and their representatives contend this is not the case and that all stock should be treated as assets for the purpose of any future liquidation of the company;

further notes that:

- five years ago, Clerys department store closed and its workers were made redundant with no notification by their company;

- this closure and subsequent liquidation was triggered by the stripping of property and assets from the trading company in a predetermined move by certain parties;
- the Oireachtas responded by commissioning a report into the causes of the closure, and the manner in which workers were abandoned;
- the subsequent Expert Examination and Review of Laws on the Protection of Employee Interests when assets are separated from the operating entity Report (Duffy-Cahill Report) made several suggestions for legislative reform to ensure workers would not be abandoned in any subsequent closure or liquidation process; and
- to date the Oireachtas has failed to legislate for any of the areas examined by the Duffy-Cahill Report;

recognises:

- the plight of the Debenhams workers and the decades of service many have rendered to their company; and
- the threat of mass redundancies facing many other workers in many sectors and industries in the coming period;

sends a message of support to the Debenham's workers for the stance they have taken to protect their livelihoods;

calls on the Government to:

- use its resources and offices to ensure negotiations between the workers, their representatives, the liquidators and Debenhams Ireland and UK start urgently, with a view to safeguarding the payment of negotiated redundancies for affected workers;
- legislate as a priority to strengthen the rights of workers facing redundancies and layoffs, specifically to legislate in the following areas:
 - to introduce emergency legislation for a moratorium on all redundancies by companies in tandem with the present emergency legislation that precludes workers seeking redundancy payments;
 - to reorder the priority afforded to workers as creditors in any liquidation process by amending section 621 of the Companies Act 2014;
 - that such priority allows for enhanced redundancy payments and removes the present limitation of €10,000 that each worker can claim under this section; and
 - that the Protection of Employment Act 1977 be amended to increase the compensation for workers from four weeks to two years in cases where their employer has contravened sections 9 and 10 of the Act; and

calls on the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection, having responsibility for the Social Insurance Fund, and the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation, having responsibility for employment legislation, to seek and use all existing legislation and examine urgently whether sections 599 and 608 of the Companies Act 2014 can be utilised to ensure no assets of Debenhams Ireland are removed or disposed of before a just settlement with the workers involved is arranged.” — *Richard Boyd Barrett, Brid Smith, Gino Kenny, Paul Murphy, Mick Barry.*

[8 July, 2020]

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13. An Dáil a chur ar athló.
Adjournment of the Dáil.

SCRÍBHINNÍ A LEAGADH FAOI BHRÁID NA dTITHE
DOCUMENTS LAID BEFORE THE HOUSES¹

| <i>Reachtúil</i> | <i>Statutory</i> |
|---|---|
| <i>Tairiscint Ceadaithe ag Teastáil</i> | <i>Requiring Motion of Approval</i> |
| Níl aon scríbhinn á leagan faoin gCatagóir seo | None |
| <i>In-neamhniithe le Tairiscint</i> | <i>Open to Motion to Annul</i> |
| Na Rialacháin um an Acht Sláinte, 1947 (Alt 31A – Ceanglais Shealadacha) (Foirm Aimsithe Paisinéirí Covid-19) (Leasú) (Uimh. 2), 2020 (I.R. Uimh. 243 de 2020). | Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Requirements) (Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 243 of 2020). |
| Na Rialacháin Leasa Shóisialaigh (Éilimh agus Íocaíochtaí Comhdhlúite agus Rialú) (Leasú) (Uimh. 9) (Asláithreacht ón Stát), 2020 (I.R. Uimh. 242 de 2020). | Social Welfare (Consolidated Claims, Payments and Control) (Amendment) (No. 9) (Absence from the State) Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 242 of 2020). |
| Na Rialacháin um an Acht Sláinte, 1947 (Alt 31A – Sriantha Sealadacha) (Covid-19) (Clúdaigh Aghaidhe ar Iompar Poiblí), 2020 (I.R. Uimh. 244 de 2020). | Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Restrictions) (Covid-19) (Face Coverings on Public Transport) Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 244 of 2020). |
| <i>Eile</i> | <i>Other</i> |
| Institiúid Ealaíne, Deartha agus Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire. Na Ráitis Airgeadais don bhliain dar chríoch an 31 Lúnasa 2019. | Dún Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology. Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August, 2019. |
| An Ghníomhaireacht Forbartha Tionscail (Éire). An Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus na Cuntais Bhliantúla, 2019. | IDA Ireland. Annual Report and Accounts, 2019. |
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| Togra le haghaidh Cinneadh ón gComhairle maidir leis na ranníocaíochtaí airgeadais a | Proposal for a Council Decision on the financial contributions to be paid by Member |

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

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bheidh le hÍoc ag Ballstáit chun an Ciste Forbartha Eorpach a mhaoiniú, lena n-áirítear an dara tráthchuid don bhliain 2020 mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.

COM (2020) 234.

An Oifig Luachála. An Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, 2019.

Togra le haghaidh Cinneadh ón gComhairle maidir le críochnú an chomhaontaithe lena leasaítear an Comhaontú Comhpháirtíochta Eatramhach idir an Comhphobal Eorpach, de pháirt, agus Stáit an Aigéin Chiúin, den pháirt eile, chun aontachas Stát Neamhspleách Shamó agus aontachas Oileán eile san Aigéan Ciúin sa todhchaí a chur i gcuntas mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.

COM (2020) 254.

Togra le haghaidh Cinneadh ón gComhairle maidir leis an seasamh a bheidh le glacadh, thar ceann an Aontais Eorpaigh, sa Choiste Trádála arna bhunú faoin gComhaontú Comhpháirtíochta Eatramhach idir an Comhphobal Eorpach, de pháirt, agus Stáit an Aigéin Chiúin, den pháirt eile, maidir leis an leasú atá le déanamh ar an gComhaontú chun aontachas Stát Neamhspleách Shamó a chur i gcuntas mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.

COM (2020) 273.

Coillte. An Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, 2019.

Neamhrechtúil

An Roinn Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail. An Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, 2019.

Tuarascáil ón gCoiste um Buan-Orduithe agus Athleasú na Dála: Rótaí i gcomhair Iúil 2020.

An Conradh ar an Aontas Eorpach: Doiciméid a fuarthas de bhun an Phrótacail maidir le ról Parlaimintí Náisiúnta san Aontas Eorpach, 6 Aibreán - 12 Aibreán 2020.

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COM (2020) 234.

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Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the agreement amending the Interim Partnership Agreement between the European Community, of the one part, and the Pacific States, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Independent State of Samoa and of future accessions of other Pacific Island States together with explanatory information note.

COM (2020) 254.

Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken, on behalf of the European Union, in the Trade Committee established under the Interim Partnership Agreement between the European Community, of the one part, and the Pacific States, of the other part, as regards the amendment to be made to the Agreement to take account of the accession of the Independent State of Samoa together with explanatory information note.

COM (2020) 273.

Coillte. Annual Report, 2019.

Non-Statutory

Department of Rural and Community Development. Annual Report, 2019.

Report of the Committee on Standing Orders and Dáil Reform: Rotas for July, 2020.

Treaty on European Union: Documents received pursuant to Protocol on the role of National Parliaments in the European Union, 6 April - 12 April, 2020.

Treaty on European Union: Documents

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