

*Dé Máirt, 2 Nollaig, 2003*  
*Tuesday, 2nd December, 2003*

2.30 p.m.

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RIAR NA hOIBRE

*Order Paper*

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GNÓ POIBLÍ

*Public Business*

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*Tairiscint:*

*Motion:*

1. “Go gceadaíonn Seanad Éireann an tOrdú seo a leanas ina dhréacht: That Seanad Éireann approves the following Order in draft:

An tOrdú Iascaigh (Ceadúnais Tráchtála Ilghnéitheacha) (Dualgais a Athrú), 2003, Fisheries (Miscellaneous Commercial Licences) (Alteration of Duties) Order, 2003,

ar leagadh cóipeanna de faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 28 Samhain, 2003. copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 28th November, 2003.”

—*Senator Mary O'Rourke.*

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2. (l) An Bille um Chosaint Mháithreachais (Leasú) 2003 — An Coiste.  
 (a) Maternity Protection (Amendment) Bill 2003 — Committee.

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3. (l) An Bille um Thruailliú na Farráige (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2003 — An Tuarascáil.  
 (a) Sea Pollution (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2003 — Report.

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4. Bille an Aire Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta (Cumhachtaí agus Feidhmeanna) 2003 — An Dara Céim.  
 Minister for Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (Powers and Functions) Bill 2003 — Second Stage.

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5. (l) An Bille um an Dlí Coiriúil (Gealtacht) 2002 — An Coiste.  
 (a) Criminal Law (Insanity) Bill 2002 — Committee.

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6. An Bille Léiriúcháin 2000 [*Dáil*] — An Dara Céim.  
 Interpretation Bill 2000 [*Dáil*] — Second Stage

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7. Bille Náisiúntachta agus Saoránachta Éireann agus Airí agus Rúnaithe (Leasú) 2003 — An Coiste.  
Irish Nationality and Citizenship and Ministers and Secretaries (Amendment) Bill 2003 — Committee.

8. An Bille um an gCoimisiún Neamhspleách Faireacháin 2003 — Ordú don Dara Chéim.  
Independent Monitoring Commission Bill 2003 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú i ndáil leis an gCoimisiún Neamhspleách Faireacháin arna bhunú ag an Rialtas agus Rialtas Ríocht Aontaithe na Breataine Móire agus Thuaisceart Éireann faoin gComhaontú idir na Rialtais sin arna dhéanamh i mBaile Átha Cliath an 25 Samhain 2003 agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to make provision in relation to the Independent Monitoring Commission established by the Government and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland under the Agreement between those Governments done at Dublin on 25 November 2003 and to provide for related matters.

—*Senator Mary O'Rourke.*

*Tairiscintí:*

*Motions:*

9. “Go gceadaíonn Seanad Éireann an Stát d’fheidhmiú an roghnaithe nó na rogha arna gcur ar fáil le hAirteagal 1.11 de Chonradh Amstardam a bheith páirteach i nglacadh an bhirt bheartaithe seo a leanas:

togra le haghaidh Creat-Chinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le prionsabal an aitheantais fhrithpháirtigh a fheidhmiú i dtaobh pionós airgeadais,

ar beart beartaithe é ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 23 Meán Fómhair, 2003.

That Seanad Éireann approves the exercise by the State of the option or discretion provided by Article 1.11 of the Treaty of Amsterdam to take part in the adoption of the following proposed measure:

a proposal for a Council Framework Decision on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to financial penalties,

a copy of which proposed measure was laid before Seanad Éireann on 23rd September, 2003.”

—*Senator Mary O'Rourke.*

10. “Go gceadaíonn Seanad Éireann an Stát d’fheidhmiú an roghnaithe nó na rogha arna gcur ar fáil le hAirteagal 1.11 de Chonradh Amstardam a bheith páirteach i nglacadh an bhirt bheartaithe seo a leanas:

togra le haghaidh Creat-Chinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le Fáltais, Ionstraim-achtaí agus Maoín a Bhaineann le Coireacht a Choigistiú,

ar beart beartaithe é ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 12 Bealtaine, 2003.

That Seanad Éireann approves the exercise by the State of the option or discretion provided by Article 1.11 of the Treaty of Amsterdam to take part in the adoption of the following proposed measure:

a proposal for a Council Framework Decision on Confiscation of Crime Related Proceeds, Instrumentalities and Property,

a copy of which proposed measure was laid before Seanad Éireann on 12th May, 2003.”

—*Senator Mary O'Rourke.*

**11.** “Go gceadaíonn Seanad Éireann an Stát d’fheidhmiú an roghnaithe nó na rogha arna gcur ar fáil le hAirteagal 1.11 de Chonradh Amstardam a bheith páirteach i nglacadh an bhirt bheartaithe seo a leanas:

Dréacht Chinneadh ón gComhairle maidir le síniú an chomhaontaithe idir an Aontas Eorpach agus Poblacht na hÍoslainne agus Ríocht na hIorua maidir le forálacha áirithe de Choinbhinsiún 2000 um Chúnamh Frithpháirteach i ndáil le Nithe Coiriúla agus Prótacal 2001 a ghabhann leis an gcéanna a fheidhmiú,

That Seanad Éireann approves the exercise by the State of the option or discretion provided by Article 1.11 of the Treaty of Amsterdam to take part in the adoption of the following proposed measure:

Draft Council Decision concerning the signature of the agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Iceland and the Kingdom of Norway on the application of certain provisions of the 2000 Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters and the 2001 Protocol thereto,

ar beart beartaithe é ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 26 Samhain, 2003.

a copy of which proposed measure was laid before Seanad Éireann on 26th November, 2003.”

—*Senator Mary O’Rourke.*

**12.** Ráitis maidir leis an leibhéal ard óil alcóil ag daoine óga. (*atógáil*).  
Statements on the high level of alcohol consumption by young people. (*resumed*).

**13.** Ráitis maidir le hUathachas. (*atógáil*).  
Statements on Autism. (*resumed*).

*Tíolactha:*  
*Presented:*

**14.** An Bille um Shaoráil Faisnéise (Leasú) (Uimh. 2) 2003 — Ordú don Dara Céim.  
Freedom of Information (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2003 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú an Achta um Shaoráil Faisnéise 1997 agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Freedom of Information Act 1997 and to provide for related matters.

—*Senator Brendan Ryan.*

**15.** Tairiscintí nach ón Rialtas.  
Non-Government Motions.

1. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Government to end the practice of making political appointments to semi-state bodies.”

—*Senators Shane Ross, David Norris, Mary Henry, Joe O’Toole.*

**[3 December, 2002]**

2. “That Seanad Éireann endorses The European Convention — Ireland’s participation in Europe.”

—*Senators Mary O’Rourke, Cyprian Brady, Michael Brennan, Eddie Bohan, Peter Callanan, Margaret Cox, Brendan Daly, Timmy Dooley, Geraldine Feeney, Liam Fitzgerald, Camillus Glynn, John Hanafin, Brendan Kenneally, Michael Kitt, Tony Kett, Terry Leyden, Don Lydon, Martin Mansergh, Marc MacSharry, Paschal Mooney, Pat Moylan, Francis O’Brien, Labhrás Ó Murchú, Ann Ormonde, Kieran Phelan, Eamon Scanlon, Jim Walsh, Mary White, Diarmuid Wilson.*

**[17 December, 2002]**

3. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform to investigate licensing practices of the District Court System and of the Planning Authority whereby licence applications for disreputable pubs, gambling arcades, lap dancing clubs and off licence outlets are routinely granted on a rubber stamp basis to the detriment of society in general.”

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Feargal Quinn, Mary Henry.*

**[17 December, 2002]**

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4. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Minister for Transport to outline the reason Irish Rail are spending hundreds of thousands of Euro per year to transport train drivers between Dublin and Longford.”

—*Senators James Bannon, Brian Hayes, Paul Bradford, Fergal Browne, Paddy Burke, Ulick Burke, Paul Coghlan, Noel Coonan, Maurice Cummins, Frank Feighan, Michael Finucane, Jim Higgins, Joe McHugh, John Phelan, Sheila Terry.*

**[19 December, 2002]**

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5. “That Seanad Éireann calls upon the Minister for Foreign Affairs to come into the House to explain the situation relating to the use of Shannon Airport by American military and flight personnel.”

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Joe O’Toole.*

**[29 January, 2003]**

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6. “That Seanad Éireann, acknowledging that responsibility for the administration and development of the game of rugby in Ireland rests with the Irish Rugby Football Union (IRFU), encourages the IRFU to continue to support the development of professional rugby in Connacht; and calls upon the Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism to meet with the IRFU to discuss the situation.”

—*Senators Mary O’Rourke, Eddie Bohan, Cyprian Brady, Michael Brennan, Peter Callanan, Margaret Cox, Brendan Daly, Timmy Dooley, Geraldine Feeney, Liam Fitzgerald, Camillus Glynn, John Hanafin, Brendan Kenneally, Tony Kett, Michael Kitt, Terry Leyden, Donal Lydon, Marc MacSharry, Martin Mansergh, Paschal Mooney, Pat Moylan, Francis O’Brien, Labhrás Ó Murchú, Ann Ormonde, Kieran Phelan, Eamon Scanlon, Jim Walsh, Mary White, Diarmuid Wilson.*

**[28 January, 2003]**

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7. “That Seanad Éireann expresses its thanks and appreciation to the Information Commissioner for bringing to the attention of the Houses of the Oireachtas vital information regarding the operation of the Freedom of Information Act, 1997 and affirms his statutory entitlement to make such report.”

—*Senators Joe O’Toole, David Norris, Mary Henry.*

**[13 March, 2003]**

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8. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Taoiseach, Mr. Bertie Ahern, T.D., to clarify the Government’s position concerning the war on Iraq and the use of Irish airspace and refueling facilities.”

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Mary Henry, Feargal Quinn, Joe O’Toole.*

**[20 March, 2003]**

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9. “That Seanad Éireann condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Food for reducing the funding to Teagasc which has resulted in the closure of many offices around the country and undermines a valuable service to rural Ireland.”

—*Senators Frank Feighan, Brian Hayes, James Bannon, Paul Bradford, Fergal Browne, Paddy Burke, Ulick Burke, Paul Coghlan, Noel Coonan, Maurice Cummins, Michael Finucane, Jim Higgins, Joe McHugh, John Phelan, Sheila Terry.*

**[25 March, 2003]**

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10. “That Seanad Éireann condemns the use by the invading US and UK forces in Iraq of cluster bombs and depleted uranium shells.”

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Joe O’Toole, Mary Henry, Feargal Quinn.*

**[8 April, 2003]**

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11. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the United States and the United Kingdom Governments presently in occupation of the State of Iraq to honour their obligations as occupiers under the Geneva Convention and also—

- (1) Allow United Nations Arms Inspectors to be invited back to complete their work of inspection and to verify any alleged discoveries of weapons of mass destruction as soon as the military situation is sufficiently stable;
- (2) Provide appropriate medical aid to alleviate the suffering of the people and the protection of all medical, educational and cultural facilities and sites;
- (3) Provide provision of a clean water supply; and
- (4) Provide for the facilitation and protection of the international agencies in distributing humanitarian aid. ”

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Joe O’Toole, Mary Henry, Feargal Quinn.*

**[15 April, 2003]**

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12. That Seanad Éireann asks the Minister for Social and Family Affairs to make the necessary arrangements to ensure that:

- (1) performing artists be given a period of three years to pursue their profession during which period they would be entitled to full Social Welfare benefits;
- (2) recognising the sporadic nature of performing artists work, the medical card once granted should not unreasonably be withdrawn;
- (3) performing artists should be granted the same tax concessions as creative artists;
- (4) while this is being adjudicated, performing artists income tax should be assessed over a three year period to allow for the fluctuation in performing artists incomes; and
- (5) that special provision for social housing be provided to performing artists and that Local Authorities make special allocations for performing artists in all social housing provisions.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Feargal Quinn, Shane Ross, Mary Henry.*

**[21 May, 2003]**

## 13. “That Seanad Éireann

- acknowledging the work undertaken by community groups throughout the country with the assistance of the FÁS Community Employment Schemes, and the deteriorating economic climate for people who are displaced from community employment schemes who fail to gain access to other work
- recognising the deep concern of community, health and sporting organisations about the future of these schemes and the continuation of important local projects
- accepting the contribution that these schemes make to the self-esteem of the participants, and the support provided to groups involved in parish, sporting and voluntary activities
- aware of the difficulties encountered by people over 50 years of age in sourcing alternative employment calls on the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment
  - (a) to suspend the reduction of 5,000 places in community employment schemes at this time of economic downturn and lack of job opportunities in the open market
  - (b) to ensure that people in long-term unemployment will continue to have the opportunity to do valuable work through community employment schemes and
  - (c) to establish a new social employment scheme for the older age group who are long-term unemployed”.

—*Senators Paul Coghlan, Brian Hayes, Ulick Burke, Fergal Browne, Noel Coonan, Michael Finucane, Paddy Burke, Jim Higgins, Paul Bradford, John Paul Phelan, Frank Feighan, Sheila Terry, Joe McHugh, James Bannon, Maurice Cummins, Brendan Ryan, Kathleen O’Meara, Derek McDowell, Joanna Tuffy, Michael McCarthy.*

**[28 May, 2003]**

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 14. “That Seanad Éireann believes that the existing expenditure limits for general elections should not be altered and that the issue of election expenditure before the date when an election is called be considered”.

—*Senators James Bannon, Brian Hayes, Paul Bradford, Fergal Browne, Paddy Burke, Ulick Burke, Paul Coghlan, Noel Coonan, Maurice Cummins, Frank Feighan, Michael Finucane, Jim Higgins, Joe McHugh, John Phelan, Sheila Terry.*

**[12 June, 2003]**

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 15. “That Seanad Éireann

- noting the recent critical reports on the treatment of people with mental illness by Amnesty International, the Irish Psychiatric Association and the Inspector of Mental Hospitals;
- concerned that Irish mental health policy and service provision remain out of step with international best practice and that the institutionalisation of the mental health services in Ireland has failed to live up to World Health Organisation standards;
- believing that the high admission and readmission rates to psychiatric hospitals are due in large measure to the lack of community based facilities;

- concerned at the lack of dedicated psychiatric facilities for adolescents, the lengthy waiting lists for treatment and the lack of consistency in the provision of mental health services throughout the country;
- deploring the fact that people with intellectual disability continue to be inappropriately accommodated in psychiatric facilities in violation of human rights law;

condemns the Government for

its neglect of the mental health sector and failure to vindicate the human rights of people with mental illness and for the reduction in the percentage of the health budget spent on mental health and calls on the Government to bring forward immediately a comprehensive package of measures, including appropriate finances, to provide

- a comprehensive, needs-based, service-user-led review of the mental health care services, promptly and fully implemented, ensuring that they meet international human rights standards and best practice in line with the World Health Organisation 2001 Annual Report, with an emphasis on community-based care;
- regular quality research in all areas of mental health care needs and service provision, an essential prerequisite for the development of a quality service;
- full financial provision for all areas of mental health care;
- all necessary resources and assistance for the Mental Health Commission in its securing adequate care and conditions for people with mental illness;
- effective action on all relevant recommendations made in the reports of international treaty-based committees, annual reports of the Inspector of Mental Hospitals, and government reviews and reports;
- a comprehensive system of personal advocacy and an effective complaints procedure, to ensure that people with mental illness are assisted in exercising the full range of their rights;
- specialised mental health care for all who need it, including children, the homeless, prisoners, people with other forms of disability, travellers, asylum seekers and refugees, and other minority or vulnerable groups;
- a public education and awareness campaign to counter the stigma of mental illness, emphasizing the rights of people with mental illness;
- rights-based disability and mental health legislation to give full effect to its international human rights obligations, with due regard to its obligation to enable persons with disabilities to exercise their rights on an equal basis with other citizens.”.

—*Senators Frank Feighan, Brian Hayes, James Bannon, Paul Bradford, Fergal Browne, Paddy Burke, Ulick Burke, Paul Coghlan, Noel Coonan, Maurice Cummins, Michael Finucane, Jim Higgins, Joe McHugh, John Phelan, Sheila Terry.*

**[18 June, 2003]**

16. “That Seanad Éireann calls upon the Government to immediately request of the British Government that the Radiological Protection Institute of Ireland be granted observer status at the Sellafield reprocessing site in Britain to make independent reports to the Irish people on the safety or otherwise of this facility”.

—*Senators Brian Hayes, James Bannon, Paul Bradford, Fergal Browne, Paddy Burke, Ulick Burke, Paul Coghlan, Noel Coonan, Maurice Cummins, Frank Feighan, Michael Finucane, Jim Higgins, Joe McHugh, John Phelan, Sheila Terry.*

**[26 June, 2003]**

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17. “That Seanad Éireann resolves to annul Statutory Instrument number 264 of 2003 (Freedom of Information Act 1997)(Free) Regulations 2003) with immediate effect”.

—*Senators Brian Hayes, James Bannon, Paul Bradford, Fergal Browne, Paddy Burke, Ulick Burke, Paul Coghlan, Noel Coonan, Maurice Cummins, Frank Feighan, Michael Finucane, Jim Higgins, Joe McHugh, John Phelan, Sheila Terry.*

**[3 July, 2003]**

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18. “In view of the critical state of the nation’s finances, Seanad Éireann calls on the Government to suspend the benchmarking deal with the Public Service immediately”.

—*Senators Shane Ross, David Norris, Feargal Quinn.*

**[7 October, 2003]**

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19. “That Seanad Éireann expresses concern at the withdrawal of funding by the Government for third level research”.

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Mary Henry, Feargal Quinn, Joe O’Toole.*

**[7 October, 2003]**

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20. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Government to introduce legislation governing the control of the importation, licensing and keeping as pets of exotic animals”.

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Mary Henry, Joe O’Toole.*

**[7 October, 2003]**

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21. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Government to review the situation regarding declarations of interest by Chairpersons of public bodies, members of the judiciary and other public officials”.

—*Senators David Norris, Shane Ross, Mary Henry, Joe O’Toole.*

**[7 October, 2003]**

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22. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Government to give maximum possible incentives to encourage computer games development companies to locate in Ireland.”

—*Senators Shane Ross, David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Feargal Quinn, Mary Henry.*

**[7 October, 2003]**

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23. “That Seanad Éireann urges the Government to amend the Approved Share Options Scheme rules to allow the maximum number of employees to enter the scheme.”

—*Senators Shane Ross, David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Feargal Quinn, Mary Henry.*

**[7 October, 2003]**

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24. “That Seanad Éireann notes:

- the 57 recommendations of the Motor Insurance Advisory Report relating to Government Departments and Agencies, and
- the 2002 consultants report on speed cameras commissioned by the National Roads Authority;

recognises:

- the initial success of the penalty points system in reducing road fatalities;
- the lack of resources available to the Gardaí to enforce our road traffic laws and implement the penalty points system once the ‘hype’ has died down;
- the extraordinarily high costs for insurance premiums quoted to drivers under the age of 30;
- that driver instruction is not supported or regulated by the State;
- that the Irish driving test has not been updated for 20 years is perceived as being unfair and has an unacceptable failure rate;

condemns the Government for its delay in implementing the necessary reforms to alleviate the insurance crisis facing young drivers and further condemns the Government for failing to invest adequately in road safety education and enforcement; and calls on the Government to:

- ring-fence the proceeds of the 2% levy on motor insurance for investment in road safety initiatives;
  - enact the outstanding recommendations of the MIAB report;
  - introduce free compulsory driving lessons for all drivers before they sit the driving test;
  - implement a complete overhaul of the driving test based on making it a fair test and relevant to 21st century Irish driving conditions;
  - purchase new speed camera vans as proposed in the consultants report commissioned by the National Roads Authority;
  - immediately establish the Garda Traffic corps;
  - abolish VRT on safety features in all new cars; and
  - speed up the establishment of the PIAB and authorise it immediately to begin dealing with motor accident compensation.”
- *Senators Feargal Browne, Brian Hayes, James Bannon, Paul Bradford, Paddy Burke, Ulick Burke, Paul Coghlan, Noel Coonan, Maurice Cummins, Frank Feighan, Michael Finucane, Jim Higgins, Joe McHugh, John Phelan, Sheila Terry.*

**[7 October, 2003]**

25. “That Seanad Éireann urges the Minister for Arts, Sports and Tourism and the Minister for Finance to retain Section 481 Film Tax Incentive.”

—*Senators David Norris, Feargal Quinn, Mary Henry.*

**[4 November, 2003]**

26. “That Seanad Éireann notes the Budget Statement of the Minister for Finance.”

—*Senators Joe O’Toole, Shane Ross, Mary Henry, David Norris, Feargal Quinn.*

**[28 November, 2003]**

16. An Seanad a chur ar athló.

Adjournment of the Seanad.

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**BILLÍ SEANAID SA DÁIL**  
*Seanad Bills with the Dáil*

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An Bille um Dhumpáil ar Farraise (Leasú) 2000.

Dumping at Sea (Amendment) Bill 2000.

An Bille um Dhlí na Farraise (Píoraídeacht a Chur faoi Chois) 2001.

Law of the Sea (Repression of Piracy) Bill 2001.

An Bille um Cheartas Coiriúil (Foirne Comhphárteacha um Imscrúdú) 2003.

Criminal Justice (Joint Investigation Teams) Bill 2003.

Bille na gCuideachtaí (Iniúchadh agus Cuntasaíocht) 2003.

Companies (Auditing and Accounting) Bill 2003.

An Bille Craolacháin (Maoiniú) 2003.

Broadcasting (Funding) Bill 2003.

An Bille um Bord Measúnaithe Díobhálacha Pearsanta 2003.

Personal Injuries Assessment Board Bill 2003.

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**MEMORANDA**  
*Dé Máirt, 2 Nollaig, 2003*  
*Tuesday, 2nd December, 2003*

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 2, LH 2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women’s Rights, in Committee Room 2, LH 2000, at 9.30 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh i Seomra Coiste 3, LH 2000, ar 2 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Social and Family Affairs in Committee Room 3, LH 2000, at 2 p.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Iompar i Seomra Coiste 1, LH 2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Transport in Committee Room 1, LH 2000, at 2.30 p.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 2, LH 2000, ar 3.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights, in Committee Room 2, LH 2000, at 3.30 p.m.

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*Dé Ceadaoin, 3 Nollaig, 2003*

*Wednesday, 3 December, 2003*

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh i Seomra Coiste 4, LH 2000, ar 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Social and Family Affairs in Committee Room 4, LH 2000, at 10 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Thalmhaíocht agus Bia i Seomra Coiste 4, LH 2000, ar 1.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food in Committee Room 4, LH 2000, at 1.30 p.m.

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Cruinniú den Choiste Feidhmiúcháin de Chumann Parlaiminteach na hÉireann i Seomra 2 (tríd an bPríomh-Halla), Teach Laighean, ar 5.30 p.m. (*príobháideach*).

Meeting of the Executive Committee of Irish Parliamentary Association in Room 2 (off the Main Hall), Leinster House, at 5.30 p.m. (*private*).

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*Déardaoin, 4 Nollaig, 2003*

*Thursday, 4 December, 2003*

Cruinniú den Fhochoiste um Iniúchadh Eorpach i Seomra Coiste 4, LH 2000 ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Sub-Committee on European Scrutiny in Committee Room 4, LH 2000, at 9.30 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Fhochoiste um Chearta an Duine den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eachtra-cha i Seomra Coiste 3, LH 2000, ar 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee on Human Rights in Room 3, LH 2000, at 10 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 3, LH 2000 ar 2 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 3, LH 2000, at 2 p.m.

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*Dé hAoine, 5 Nollaig, 2003*  
*Friday, 5th December, 2003*

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 2, LH 2000, ar 9.30 a.m.  
 Meeting of the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights, in Committee Room 2, LH 2000, at 9.30 a.m.

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PÁIPÉIR A LEAGADH FAOI BHRÁID AN tSEANAID  
*Papers laid before the Seanad*

*Reachtúil:*

1) Oibreacha Pobail an Oirthir Teoranta. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus Ráitis Airgeadais, 2000.

2) Aontacht Phobail Teoranta. Tuarascálacha agus Ráitis Airgeadais, 2002.

3) Na Rialacháin Leasa Shóisialaigh (Forálacha Sealadacha) 2003 (I.R. Uimh. 550 de 2003).

4) Na Rialacháin um Láithreáin Thréigthe (Limistéir Uirbeacha) 2003 (I.R. Uimh. 621 de 2003).

5) An Comhchoiste um Chomhshaol agus Rialtas Áitiúil. An Dara Tuarascáil: Pleanáil — Tithe aonair a fhorbairt i limistéir thuaithe. Samhain, 2003.

6) An Comhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh. An Chéad Tuarascáil: Tuarascáil ar Staid Cúramóirí Lánaimseartha — Scrúdú ar bheartas agus ar chleachtais reatha leasa, ar struchtúir thacaíochta reachtúla, ghairmiúla agus dheonacha, ar dheiseanna oideachais agus oiliúna do chúramóirí agus ar éifeachtaí fadtéarma cúraim lánaimseartha ar leas coirp agus meabhrach cúramóirí. Samhain, 2003.

7) Na Rialacháin um Oifig an Ard-Chláráitheora (Uaireanta Gnó) 2003 (I.R. Uimh. 630 of 2003).

8) An tOrdú fán Acht um Ghalair Ainmhithe 1966 (Fiabhras Afraiceach Muc) (Srian ar Allmhairí ón tSairdín) 2003 (I.R. Uimh. 619 de 2003).

9) Na Rialacháin fán Acht um Fhiadhúlra, 1976, (Gaistí, Dola agus Líonta Ceadaithe) 2003 (I.R. Uimh. 620 of 2003).

10) Na Rialacháin um Mórghléasra Dócháin 2003 (I.R. Uimh. 644 of 2003).

11) An Chomhairle Fiaclóireachta. Ráitis Airgeadais, 2002.

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