

Dé hAoine, 19 Nollaig, 2008
Friday, 19th December, 2008

10.00 a.m.

RIAR NA hOIBRE

Order Paper

GNÓ POIBLÍ

Public Business

1. An Bille Airgeadais (Uimh. 2) 2008 (*Bille Airgid Deimhnithe*) [Dáil] — An Dara Céim.
 Finance (No. 2) Bill 2008 (*Certified Money Bill*) [Dáil] — Second Stage.

2. An Bille Toghcháin (Leasú) 2008 [Dáil] — An Dara Céim.
 Electoral (Amendment) Bill 2008 [Dáil] — Second Stage.

3. An Bille Gáis (Leasú) 2008 [Dáil] — An Dara Céim.
 Gas (Amendment) Bill 2008 [Dáil] — Second Stage.

4. (l) An Bille Cuanta (Leasú) 2008 — An Coiste (*leasú 7, atógáil*).
 (a) Harbours (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Committee (*amendment 7, resumed*).

5. An Bille Cróinéirí 2007 — An Coiste.
 Coroners Bill 2007 — Committee.

6. Bille na dTeangacha Oifigiúla (Leasú) 2005 — An Dara Céim.
 Official Languages (Amendment) Bill 2005 — Second Stage.
 —*Senators Joe O’Toole, Paul Coghlan, David Norris.*

7. An Bille um Chosaint Coigiltis Comhair Creidmheasa 2008 — An Dara Céim.
 Credit Union Savings Protection Bill 2008 — Second Stage.
 —*Senators Joe O’Toole, David Norris, Feargal Quinn, Shane Ross, Ivana Bacik, Rónán Mullen.*

8. An Bille um Chumas Meabhrach agus Caomhnóireacht 2008 — An Dara Céim.
 Mental Capacity and Guardianship Bill 2008 — Second Stage.
 —*Senators Joe O’Toole, David Norris, Feargal Quinn, Shane Ross, Ivana Bacik.*

- 9.** An Bille um Chosaint Tomhaltóirí (Leasú) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Consumer Protection (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.
—*Senators Brendan Ryan, Alex White, Dominic Hannigan, Alan Kelly, Michael
McCarthy, Phil Prendergast.*
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- 10.** An Bille um Dhliteanas Sibhialta (Leasú) (Uimh. 2) 2008 — An Dara Céim.
Civil Liability (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.
—*Senators Eugene Regan, Frances Fitzgerald, Maurice Cummins.*
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Bille (atógáil) (0.03 n. fágtha):

Bill (resumed) (0.03 m. remaining):

- 11.** An Bille um Chosaint Aeráide 2007 — An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).
Climate Protection Bill 2007 — Second Stage (*resumed*).
—*Senators Ivana Bacik, Joe O'Toole, Shane Ross, David Norris, Feargal Quinn.*
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Bille (atógáil) (0.03 n. fágtha):

Bill (resumed) (0.03 m. remaining):

- 12.** An Bille Meabhair-Shláinte (Bearta Ainneonacha) (Leasú) 2008 — An Dara Céim
(*atógáil*).
Mental Health (Involuntary Procedures) (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Second Stage
(*resumed*).
—*Senators Dan Boyle, Déirdre de Búrca, David Norris.*
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Bille (atógáil) (0.03 n. fágtha):

Bill (resumed) (0.03 m. remaining):

- 13.** An Bille um Orgáin de chuid Chorp an Duine agus Fíocháin Dhaonna 2008 — An
Dara Céim (*atógáil*).
Human Body Organs and Human Tissue Bill 2008 — Second Stage (*resumed*).
—*Senator Feargal Quinn.*
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Bille (atógáil) (0.03 n. fágtha):

Bill (resumed) (0.03 m. remaining):

- 14.** An Bille um Thaighde Gaschille (Suthanna Daonna a Chosaint) 2008 — An Dara
Céim. (*atógáil*).
Stem-Cell Research (Protection of Human Embryos) Bill 2008 — Second Stage.
(*resumed*).
—*Senators Rónán Mullen, Jim Walsh, John Hanafin.*
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Tíolactha:

Presented:

- 15.** An Bille um Príobháideacht 2006 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Privacy Bill 2006 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh
socrú maidir le Tort arb éard é
Príobháideacht a Shárú; agus do dhéanamh
socrú i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an
méid sin.

Bill entitled an Act to provide for a Tort
of Violation of Privacy; and to provide for
matters connected therewith.

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*

16. An Bille um Fhorbairt Tionscail 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim.
Industrial Development Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú maidir le scaireanna arna sealbhú ag Cuideachta Forbartha Aerfort Neamh-chustam na Sionna Teoranta a aistriú chuig Fiontraíocht Éireann, do leasú an Achta um Fhorbairt Tionscail 1986 agus an Achta um Fhorbairt Tionscail 1993, agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an méid sin.

Bill entitled an Act to provide for the transfer of shares held by Shannon free airport development company limited to Enterprise Ireland; to amend the Industrial Development Act 1986 and the Industrial Development Act 1993; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*

17. Bille Toghcháin an tSeanaid (Rolla-Chomhaltaí) (Leasú) 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim.

Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú Acht Toghcháin an tSeanaid (Rolla-Chomhaltaí) 1947 i ndáil le clárú maidir leis an rolla riaracháin.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) Act 1947 in relation to registration in respect of the administrative panel.

—*Senators Maurice Cummins, Frances Fitzgerald, Paul Coghlan.*

18. An Bille um Fhorais Chultúir Náisiúnta (Leasú) 2008 — Ordú don Dara Céim.

National Cultural Institutions (Amendment) Bill 2008 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú an Achta um Fhorais Chultúir Náisiúnta 1997.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the National Cultural Institutions Act 1997.

—*Senator Alex White.*

Ráitis (atógáil):

Statements (resumed):

19. Ráitis maidir le Conradh Liospóin um Athchóiriú (atógáil).

Statements on the Lisbon Reform Treaty (*resumed*).

Tairiscintí:

Motions:

20. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um an Leasú Bunreachtáil maidir le Leanaí dar teideal ‘*Tuarascáil Eatramhach ar an mBille um an Ochtú Leasú is Fiche ar an mBunreacht 2007, Airteagal 42(A).5.1^o — Togra chun údarás dlíthiúil a thabhairt chun faisnéis a bhailiú agus a mhalartú ar faisnéis í a bhaineann leis an bpríacal go gcuirfear leanaí i mbaol nó go ndéanfar dúshaothrú gnéasach nó mí-úsáid ghnéasach orthu, nó a bhaineann leis na nithe sin do tharlú*’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 11 Meán Fómhair, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on the Constitutional Amendment on Children entitled ‘*Interim Report on the Twenty-eighth Amendment of the Constitution Bill 2007, Article 42(A).5.1^o — Proposal to give legal authority for the collection and exchange of information concerning the risk or the occurrence of endangerment, sexual exploitation or sexual abuse of children*’ which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 11 September, 2008.”

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*

[30 September, 2008]

21. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil Iniúchta AE Uimh. 17: COM (2008) 09 — Togra le haghaidh Treorach ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle maidir le sábháilteacht bréagán’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 17 Iúil, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny entitled ‘*EU Scrutiny Report No. 17: COM (2008) 09 — Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the safety of toys*’ which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 17th July, 2008”

—Senator Donie Cassidy.
[30 September, 2008]

22. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil Iniúchta AE Uimh. 16: COM(2007)697, COM(2007)698 agus COM(2007)699 — Togra le haghaidh Treorach ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Treoracha 2002/21/CE maidir le comhchreat rialála i gcomhair líonraí agus seirbhísí cumarsáide leictreonaí, 2002/19/CE maidir le rochtain ar líonraí agus seirbhísí cumarsáide leictreonaí, agus maidir lena n-idircheangal, agus 2002/20/CE maidir le húdarú líonraí agus seirbhísí cumarsáide leictreonaí, Togra le haghaidh Treorach ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Treoir 2002/22/CE maidir le seirbhís uilechoiteann agus cearta úsáideoirí a bhaineann le líonraí cumarsáide leictreonaí, Treoir 2002/58/CE maidir le próiseáil sonraí pearsanta agus maidir leis an bpríobháideacht a chosaint in earnáil na cumarsáide leictreonaí agus Rialachán (CE) Uimh. 2006/2004 maidir le comhar i leith cosanta tomhaltóirí, Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle lena mbunaítear an tUdarás Eorpach um Margadh na Cumarsáide Leictreonaí’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 29 Aibreán, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny entitled ‘*EU Scrutiny Report No. 16: COM(2007)697, COM(2007)698 and COM(2007)699 — Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directives 2002/21/EC on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services, 2002/19/EC on access to, and interconnection of electronic communications networks and services, and 2002/20/EC on the authorisation of electronic communications networks and services, Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2002/22/EC on universal service and users’ rights relating to electronic communications networks, Directive 2002/58/EC concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector and Regulation (EC) No. 2006/2004 on consumer protection cooperation, Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the European Electronic Communications Market Authority*’ which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 29th April, 2008.”

—Senator Donie Cassidy.
[9 October, 2008]

23. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil Iniúchta AE Uimh. 19: COM (2008) 162 — Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny entitled ‘*EU Scrutiny Report No. 19: COM (2008) 162 — Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No.*

ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Rialachán (CE) Uimh. 423/2004 maidir le stoic trosc a athbhunú agus lena leasaítear Rialachán (CEE) Uimh. 2847/93' a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 8 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008.

423/2004 as regards the recovery of cod stocks and amending Regulation (EEC) No. 2847/93' which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 8th October, 2008."

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*
[9 October, 2008]

24. "Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha dar teideal 'Tuarascáil maidir le Rannchuidiú an Chomhchoiste le Coimisiún na hEorpa ar a Pháipéar Bán maidir le Lánpháirtíú Margaí Creidmheasa Morgáiste AE' a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 1 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Affairs entitled 'Report on the Joint Committee's Contribution to The European Commission on its White Paper on the Integration of EU Mortgage Credit Markets' which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 1 October, 2008."

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*
[14 October, 2008]

25. "Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach dar teideal 'Tuarascáil Speisialta maidir le Reachtaíocht nua ón AE — 1 Eanáir go 30 Meitheamh, 2008' a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 31 Deireadh Fómhair, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny entitled 'Special Report on new EU Legislation — 1 January to 30 June, 2008' which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 31 October, 2008."

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*
[5 November, 2008]

26. "Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha dar teideal 'Conradh Liospóin um Athchóiriú' a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 29 Bealtaine, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Affairs entitled 'The Lisbon Reform Treaty' which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 29 May 2008."

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*
[18 November, 2008]

27. "Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghrinnscrúdú Eorpach dar teideal 'COM(2007) 654 críochnaitheach — Togra le haghaidh Creat-Chinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le Taiscead Ainmneacha Paisinéirí (TAP) a úsáid chun críocha forfheidhmithe dlí' a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 13 Samhain, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny entitled 'COM(2007) 654 final — Proposal for A Council Framework Decision on the use of Passenger Name Record (PNR) for law enforcement purposes' which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 13th November, 2008."

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*
[18 November, 2008]

28. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil ón bhFochoiste um thodhchaí na hÉireann san Aontas Eorpach: Todhchaí na hÉireann san Aontas Eorpach: Dúshláin, Saincheistanna agus Roghanna’ a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 27 Samhain, 2008.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on European Affairs entitled ‘Report of the Sub-Committee on Ireland’s future in the European Union: Ireland’s future in the European Union: Challenges, Issues and Options’ which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 27 November, 2008.”

—*Senator Donie Cassidy.*
[3 December, 2008]

29. Tairiscintí nach ón Rialtas:
 Non-Government Motions:

1. “That Seanad Éireann notes the Irish Human Rights Commission’s Report on Rendition.”

—*Senators David Norris, Ivana Bacik, Shane Ross.*
[30 January, 2008]

2. “That Seanad Éireann, in the light of the recent comments by Nobel Prize winning poet Seamus Heaney and others, calls on the Government to revisit plans and examine an alternative routing and methodology to that of the M3 through the Tara Valley which will win acceptance among all interested parties.”

—*Senators David Norris, Ivana Bacik.*
[5 March, 2008]

3. “That Seanad Éireann ask FARC to release immediately on humanitarian grounds, Ingrid Betancourt and other ill hostages held in Colombia.”

—*Senators David Norris, Ivana Bacik, Joe O’Toole, Feargal Quinn, Rónán Mullen, Shane Ross.*

[8 April, 2008]

4. “That Seanad Éireann regrets and distances itself from the comments of Senator Jim Walsh at the Order of Business on Tuesday 22 April 2008 in relation to Chairmen of Tribunals established by these Houses.”

—*Senators Frances Fitzgerald, Joe O’Toole, Alex White, David Norris.*
[24 April, 2008]

5. “That Seanad Éireann condemns the Government for:

- squandering significant budget surpluses,
- its failure to control inflation,
- its failure to deliver necessary infrastructure on time and within budget, and,
- its failure to reform the public service;

and, in light of the changing economic outlook for our economy calls on the Government to outline the results of measures taken (if any) to stress test our economy and provide detail cost benefits analysis of major projects, and

to outline the steps that are being taken to:

- restore competitiveness,
- restore the low rates of inflation that were the hallmark of our economy,
- prevent rising unemployment, and
- ensure that vital health services, education services and infrastructural projects will be available to the citizens of Ireland.”.

—*Senators Maurice Cummins, Frances Fitzgerald, Paul Bradford, Paddy Burke, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey, Joe O’Reilly.*

[7 May, 2008]

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6. “That Seanad Éireann urges the Minister for Arts, Sports and Tourism, in the light of the proposed redevelopment of a very large site at the north end of O’Connell Street which includes the former Carlton Cinema, to take steps to ensure that the Abbey Theatre is located in the former Carlton site which all authorities agree is by far the best and most practical location.”.

—*Senators David Norris, Ivana Bacik, Joe O’Toole, Rónán Mullen, Shane Ross.*

[20 May, 2008]

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7. “That Seanad Éireann requests the Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism as a matter of urgency, to immediately outline the Government’s programme and intention regarding the construction of a new Abbey National Theatre, dealing with all aspects of the project.”.

—*Senators Paul Coghlan, Frances Fitzgerald, Paul Bradford, Paddy Burke, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey, Joe O’Reilly*

[22 May, 2008]

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8. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Minister for Arts, Sports and Tourism to reform the current system for the funding of the arts in Ireland to ensure that there is a coherent, transparent and accessible basis for funding the arts, and artists in Ireland and to develop clear criteria against which funding applications can be prepared, submitted and assessed so that *ad hoc* funding decisions are not taken by disparate bodies, agencies or the Department without regard to any wider strategic issues; and entrusts the Arts Council with primary responsibility to allocate funding to the arts.”

—*Senators Paul Coghlan, Frances Fitzgerald, Paddy Burke, Paul Bradford, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Joe O’Reilly, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey.*

[24 September, 2008]

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9. “That Seanad Éireann is appalled by and deplors the outrageous decision by the Department of Education and Science to close the Centre for Early Childhood Development and Education; and this decision represents a significant set-back for the early childhood sector and in particular the promotion of consistent, high quality standards in this crucial area.”

—*Senators Joe O’Toole, Ivana Bacik, David Norris, Shane Ross, Feargal Quinn.*

[30 September, 2008]

10. “That Seanad Éireann expresses grave concern at water quality in Ireland; recent cases of lead pollution in County Louth, contamination of water supplies in major urban areas such as Galway city and the possible detrimental effect of the fluoridation scheme presently in operation.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Feargal Quinn, Shane Ross, Rónán Mullen, Ivana Bacik.*

[7 October, 2008]

11. “That Seanad Éireann takes note of the Annual Report 2007 of the Irish Human Rights Commission.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Shane Ross, Ivana Bacik, Rónán Mullen, Feargal Quinn.*

[14 October, 2008]

12. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Government to examine the status of charities and charitable collections and in particular to investigate the practice of so called ‘chugging’ or charity mugging by street collectors.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Ivana Bacik, Shane Ross, Feargal Quinn.*

[21 October, 2008]

13. “That Seanad Éireann requests the Minister for Foreign Affairs to seek the establishment of a monitoring group to supervise the implementation of the Human Rights Attachments to the External Association Agreement between the European Union and the State of Israel.”

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

[21 October, 2008]

14. “That Seanad Éireann requests the Minister for Arts, Sports and Tourism to come into the House to give a full account of the current situation regarding the future of the Abbey Theatre and its possible relocation.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Ivana Bacik, Shane Ross, Feargal Quinn.*

[21 October, 2008]

15. “That Seanad Éireann expresses its concern at growing reports of climate change in various parts of the world; and requests the Minister to come into the House and give a progress report on our position concerning Ireland reaching its target under the Kyoto Protocol.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Ivana Bacik, Shane Ross, Feargal Quinn.*

[21 October, 2008]

16. “That Seanad Éireann, in the light of the Ferns Report, requests the Government to re-examine the exemption of the churches from the operations of equality legislation.”

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

[21 October, 2008]

17. “That Seanad Éireann requests the Government to give serious examination to the Dargan Metro Project involving an orbital metro route as well as an airport metro line and which, fully costed, presents a more economic prospect than the existing proposal.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Ivana Bacik, Shane Ross, Feargal Quinn.*

[21 October, 2008]

18. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Government in the light of the fact that Ireland is one of the few EU countries that does not facilitate citizens living abroad but within the EU in the exercise of their voting rights in Dáil Elections, Presidential Elections and referenda to make appropriate provisions without delay.”

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

[21 October, 2008]

19. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Government of the People’s Republic of China and the Dalai Lama, notwithstanding their differences on Tibet’s historical relationship with China, to continue the dialogue in a forward-looking manner which will lead to pragmatic solutions that respect the Chinese constitutional framework, the territorial integrity of China and fulfil the aspirations of the Tibetan people for a unified and genuinely autonomous Tibet.”

—*Senators David Norris, Ivana Bacik, Shane Ross, Joe O’Toole, Rónán Mullen, Feargal Quinn.*

[21 October, 2008]

20. “That Seanad Éireann takes note of the Environmental Protection Agency’s report ‘Key Meteorological Indicators of Climate Change in Ireland’.”

—*Senators David Norris, Joe O’Toole, Shane Ross, Ivana Bacik, Rónán Mullen, Feargal Quinn.*

[21 October, 2008]

21. “That Seanad Éireann strongly recommends that the Government:

- excludes the minimum wage from the proposed 1% income levy;
- reinstates in full, the universal entitlement of the over 70s to a medical card and;
- reverses the budget proposal to worsen class size in primary and post primary schools.”

—*Senators Joe O’Toole, Ivana Bacik, Rónán Mullen, Shane Ross, David Norris.*

[22 October, 2008]

22. “That Seanad Éireann demands the immediate reversal of the Government decision to withdraw the automatic entitlement to a medical card from citizens aged over 70 years.”

—*Senators, Frances Fitzgerald, Paddy Burke, Paul Bradford, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Joe O’Reilly, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey.*

[22 October, 2008]

23. “That Seanad Éireann requests the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform to explain the Government’s actions in imposing savage cut backs and other negative measures on the Equality Agency, the Combat Poverty Agency, the Irish Human Rights Commission and other state established bodies which have the responsibility of representing the marginalised and vulnerable in our Society.”

—*Senators David Norris, Ivana Bacik, Joe O’Toole.*

[13 November, 2008]

24. “That Seanad Éireann noting:

- the findings of the Health Information and Quality Authority whereby the introduction of the HPV cervical cancer vaccination programme could see a 34 per cent reduction in pre-cancers, a 56 per cent reduction in cervical cancer and a 56 per cent reduction in deaths from cervical cancer;
- that the total cost of introducing the vaccine is estimated to be €9.7 million according to the Health Information and Quality Authority;
- that the direct savings in treatment costs due to the disease being avoided is more than €2.7 million per annum according to the Health Information and Quality Authority, excluding broader savings;
- the breakthrough nature of this medical advance; and
- that the total health budget is more than €16,000 million this year;

condemns the decision of the Minister for Health and Children to abandon this programme as short-sighted and unjustifiable, and calls on the Minister for Health and Children to immediately reverse her decision.”

—*Senators Frances Fitzgerald, Paddy Burke, Paul Bradford, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Joe O’Reilly, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey.*

[13 November, 2008]

25. “That Seanad Éireann deplores the murder of an innocent victim in Limerick by gangland criminals last week, making him the 17th gangland murder victim this year; and calls on the Government to take definitive action steps to quell the activities of criminal gangs.”

—*Senators Eugene Regan, Frances Fitzgerald, Paul Bradford, Paddy Burke, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Joe O’Reilly, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey.*

[18 November, 2008]

26. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform to cut off the source of gangland criminals’ wealth and weapons, namely drugs, by providing adequate resources to An Garda Síochána and the Customs and Excise Service with the necessary manpower and modern equipment.”

—*Senators Eugene Regan, Frances Fitzgerald, Paul Bradford, Paddy Burke, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Joe O’Reilly, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey.*

[18 November, 2008]

27. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform, as a matter of urgency, to outline immediately the government’s plans regarding the construction of the proposed new prison, Thornton Hall, dealing with all aspects of the project.”

—*Senators Eugene Regan, Frances Fitzgerald, Paul Bradford, Paddy Burke, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Joe O’Reilly, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey.*

[18 November, 2008]

28. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform to implement measures to reduce the high numbers of repeat offenders in Ireland as revealed in a 2006 UCD study.”

—*Senators Eugene Regan, Frances Fitzgerald, Paul Bradford, Paddy Burke, Jerry Buttimer, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Maurice Cummins, Paschal Donohoe, Fidelma Healy Eames, Nicky McFadden, Joe O’Reilly, Eugene Regan, John Paul Phelan, Liam Twomey.*

[18 November, 2008]

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29. “That Seanad Éireann hereby states and resolves that the proposed deportation of Pamela Izevbekhai and her daughters was not the sort of action envisaged by this House when the original legislation was passed.”

—*Senators David Norris, Senator Ivana Bacik, Rónán Mullen, Joe O’Toole.*

[25 November, 2008]

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30. “That Seanad Eireann condemns utterly the disgraceful action of the Government in destroying the Combat Poverty Agency and the Equality Agency and the gutting of the Irish Human Rights Commission and calls on the Government to rescind these decisions.”

—*Senators David Norris, Ivana Bacik, Joe O’Toole.*

[15 December, 2008]

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30. An Seanad a chur ar athló.
Adjournment of the Seanad.

BILLÍ SEANAID SA DÁIL
Seanad Bills with the Dáil

An Bille um Athchóiriú an Dlí Talún agus Tíolactha 2006.
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