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Tíolactha:

Presented:

1. An Bille um Athchóiriú an Dlí Talún agus Tíolactha (Leasú), 2019 – Ordú don Dara Céim.
 Land and Conveyancing Law Reform (Amendment) Bill 2019 – Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú an Achta um Athchóiriú an Dlí Talún agus Tíolactha, 2013 chun socrú a dhéanamh maidir leis an nós imeachta a bheidh le leanúint in imeachtaí dlí áirithe lena mbaineann alt 2 den Acht sin; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2013 to provide for the procedure to be followed in certain legal proceedings to which section 2 of that Act applies; and to provide for related matters.

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*

2. Ráitis maidir le dul i ngleic leis an am atá thart i dTuaisceart Éireann.
 Statements on dealing with the past in Northern Ireland.

3. (l) An Bille um Chaomhnú Fostaíochta (Bearta chun Cur i gCoinne Bréag-Fhéinfhostaíochta), 2018 – An Coiste.
 (a) Protection of Employment (Measures to Counter False Self-Employment) Bill 2018 – Committee.

– *Senators Gerald Nash, Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.*

4. An Bille um Dhliteanas Sibhialta (Damáistí Ginearálta a Uasteorannú), 2019 – An Dara Céim.
 Civil Liability (Capping of General Damages) Bill 2019 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Anthony Lawlor, Neale Richmond, Tim Lombard, John O'Mahony, Maura Hopkins, Ray Butler, Gabrielle McFadden, Paddy Burke, James Reilly, Jerry Buttimer, Maria Byrne, Martin Conway, Joe O'Reilly, Paul Coghlan, Michelle Mulherin, Frank Feighan, Paudie Coffey, Kieran O'Donnell.*

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5. An Bille Uchtála (Faisnéis agus Lorgaireacht), 2016 – An Coiste.
Adoption (Information and Tracing) Bill 2016 – Committee.
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6. An Bille um Chomhairle na mBreithiúna, 2017 – An Coiste.
Judicial Council Bill 2017 – Committee.
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7. (l) An Bille fá Choimisiún um Cheapacháin Bhreithiúnacha, 2017 [Dáil] – An Coiste (*leasú 91h, atógáil*).
(a) Judicial Appointments Commission Bill 2017 [Dáil] – Committee (*amendment 91h, resumed*).
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8. An Bille um Chóipcheart agus Forálacha Eile de chuid an Dlí Maoine Intleachtúla, 2018 [Dáil] – An Tuarascáil.
Copyright and Other Intellectual Property Law Provisions Bill 2018 [Dáil] – Report Stage.
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9. An Bille um Shaoire do Thuismitheoirí (Leasú), 2017 [Dáil] – An Tuarascáil.
Parental Leave (Amendment) Bill 2017 [Dáil] – Report Stage.
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10. An Bille um Cháilíochtaí agus Dearbhú Cáilíochta (Oideachas agus Oiliúint) (Leasú), 2018 – An Tuarascáil.
Qualifications and Quality Assurance (Education and Training) (Amendment) Bill 2018 – Report Stage.
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11. Ráitis maidir le Seachtain na Gaeilge.
Statements on Seachtain na Gaeilge.
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12. Ráitis maidir le Cumarsáid, le Gníomhú ar son na hAeráide agus leis an gComhshaol (*atógáil*).
Statements on Communications, Climate Action and the Environment (*resumed*).
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13. Ráiteas ón Aire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil maidir leis an Acht um Ghníomhú ar son na hAeráide agus um Fhorbairt Ísealcharbóin, 2015 (*atógáil*).
Statement by the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and the Environment on the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015 (*resumed*).
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14. Ráitis maidir le Tuarascáil an Bhinse um Nochtaí Cosanta (*atógáil*).
Statements on the Disclosures Tribunal Report (*resumed*).
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*Tugadh Isteach:
Introduced:*

15. An Bille um Údaráis Phoiblí agus Gnóthais Fóntais (Conarthaí a Ullmhú agus Critéir Dhámhachtana), 2019 – An Chéad Chéim.

Public Authorities and Utility Undertakings (Contract Preparation and Award Criteria) Bill 2019 – First Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do thabhairt tuilleadh éifeachta do Threoir 2014/24/AE an 26 Feabhra 2014 ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle agus do Threoir 2014/25/AE an 26 Feabhra 2014 ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle agus, chun na gcríoch sin, do dhéanamh socrú maidir le critéir dámhachtana conarthaí i gconarthaí poiblí, do chur úsáid cúinsí sóisialta agus an chóimheasa is fearr maidir le praghas-cáilíocht chun cinn agus do bhunú nós imeachta chun imeacht ón gcóimheas is fearr maidir le praghas-cáilíocht, dá áirithiú go mbeidh feidhm ag alt 3 den Acht fán gCoinbhinsiún Eorpach um Chearta an Duine, 2003 maidir le daoine a bheidh ag comhall feidhmeanna d’orgain Stáit nó thar a gceann, do dhéanamh socrú maidir le treoirlínte a bhaineann le cúinsí sóisialta a eisiúint, dá cheangal tuairisciú bliantúil a dhéanamh do gach Teach den Oireachtas maidir le nithe áirithe agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an méid sin.

Bill entitled an Act to give further effect to Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 and to Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 and for those purposes to provide for contract award criteria in public contracts, to promote the use of social considerations and the best price-quality ratio and to establish a procedure for departing from best price-quality ratio, to ensure that section 3 of the European Convention on Human Rights Act 2003 applies to persons carrying out functions for or on behalf of organs of State, to provide for the issuing of guidelines concerning social considerations, to require annual reporting to each House of the Oireachtas concerning certain matters and to provide for matters connected therewith.

– *Senators Alice-Mary Higgins, Frances Black, John Dolan, Colette Kelleher, Lynn Ruane.*

16. An Bille um an Rosc Náisiúnta (Cóipcheart agus Cearta Gaolmhara a Chosaint) (Leasú) (Uimh. 2), 2016 – An Dara Céim.

National Anthem (Protection of Copyright and Related Rights) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2016 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Mark Daly, Gerry Horkan, Diarmuid Wilson.*

17. An Bille fán nGníomhaireacht Náisiúnta um Bainistíocht Sócmhainní (Leasú), 2017 – An Dara Céim.

National Asset Management Agency (Amendment) Bill 2017 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Rose Conway-Walsh, Paul Gavan, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn.*

18. An Bille Sláinte agus Sábháilteachta (Aonocsaíd Charbóin), 2017 – An Dara Céim.

Health and Safety (Carbon Monoxide) Bill 2017 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Keith Swanick, Diarmuid Wilson, Robbie Gallagher, Jennifer Murnane O’Connor.*

19. An Bille Toghcháin (Leasú) (Cearta Vótála do Chónaitheoirí), 2017 – An Dara Céim.

Electoral (Amendment) (Voting Rights for Residents) Bill 2017 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Fintan Warfield, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Máire Devine.*

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- 20.** Bille na gColáistí Teicniúla Réigiúnacha (Leasú), 2017 – An Dara Céim.
Regional Technical Colleges (Amendment) Bill 2017 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Paddy Burke, Michelle Mulherin, John O'Mahony.*
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- 21.** An Bille Staidrimh (Daonáireamh 1926 a Chur ar Fáil), 2017 – An Dara Céim.
Statistics (1926 Census Release) Bill 2017 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Paul Gavan, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Fintan Warfield.*
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- 22.** An Bille um Sheirbhís Chúirteanna (Leasú), 2017 – An Dara Céim.
Courts Service (Amendment) Bill 2017 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Keith Swanick, Diarmuid Wilson, Gerry Horkan.*
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- 23.** An Bille Ealaíon (Dínit ag an Obair) (Leasú) (Uimh. 2), 2018 – An Dara Céim.
Arts (Dignity at Work) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2018 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Fintan Warfield, Rose Conway-Walsh, Máire Devine, Paul Gavan, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Niall Ó Donnghaile.*
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- 24.** An Bille Caidrimh Thionscail (Comhghníomhaíocht), 2018 – An Dara Céim.
Industrial Relations (Collective Action) Bill 2018 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Paul Gavan, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Fintan Warfield.*
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- 25.** An Bille um Shaoroideachas (Toirmeasc ar Tháillí agus ar Mhuirir), 2018 – An Dara Céim.
Free Education (Prohibition of Fees and Charges) Bill 2018 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Gerald Nash.*
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- 26.** An Bille Craolacháin (Leasú), 2018 – An Dara Céim.
Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill 2018 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Fintan Warfield, Paul Gavan, Niall Ó Donnghaile.*
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- 27.** An Bille Carthanas (Cearta an Duine), 2018 – An Dara Céim.
Charities (Human Rights) Bill 2018 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Paul Gavan, Máire Devine, Fintan Warfield.*
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- 28.** An Bille fán nGníomhaireacht um Shábháilteacht Feirme, 2018 – An Dara Céim.
Farm Safety Agency Bill 2018 – Second Stage.
– *Senators Paul Daly, Robbie Gallagher, Diarmuid Wilson.*
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- 29.** An Bille um an Rosc Náisiúnta, 2019 – An Dara Céim.

National Anthem Bill 2019 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Mark Daly, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor, Paul Daly.*

- 30.** An Bille um an Earnáil Phoiblí (Teanga Shoiléir), 2019 – An Dara Céim.
Public Sector (Plain Language) Bill 2019 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphrey, Gerald Nash.*

- 31.** An Bille um Sheirbhísí Maoine (Ligin Neamhoiriúnacha a Fhógairt) (Leasú), 2019 – An Dara Céim.

Property Services (Advertisement of Unfit Lettings) (Amendment) Bill 2019 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Fintan Warfield, Paul Gavan, Niall Ó Donnghaile.*

- 32.** An Bille um Cheartas Coiriúil (Ord Poiblí) (Leasú), 2019 – An Dara Céim.
Criminal Justice (Public Order) (Amendment) Bill 2019 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Robbie Gallagher, Lorraine Clifford-Lee, Diarmuid Wilson.*

- 33.** An Bille Sláinte (Díolúine ó Mhuirir d'Othair Shíciatracha Ainneonacha) (Leasú), 2019 – An Dara Céim.

Health (Exemption of Charges for Involuntary Psychiatric Patients) (Amendment) Bill 2019 – Second Stage.

– *Senators Máire Devine, Fintan Warfield, Paul Gavan, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Rose Conway-Walsh, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn.*

- 34.** An Bille um Dhrugaí Rialaithe agus um Dhochar a Laghdú, 2017 – An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).
Controlled Drugs and Harm Reduction Bill 2017 – Second Stage (*resumed*).

– *Senators Lynn Ruane, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Colette Kelleher, Alice-Mary Higgins, Grace O'Sullivan, John Dolan, Frances Black, David Norris, Michael McDowell, Gerard P. Craughwell, Victor Boyhan, Billy Lawless, Joan Freeman, Brian Ó Domhnaill, Ivana Bacik, Ged Nash, Kevin Humphreys.*

Leasú ar an Tairiscint don Dara Léamh:

Amendment to Motion for Second Reading:

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

“Seanad Éireann declines to give the Bill a second reading in view of the fact that:

- the Steering Committee mandated to develop a new National Drugs Strategy is expected to submit its final report shortly;
- this report is expected to provide advice on an approach which would enable the case for a change in policy in relation to the current legislative regime that applies to simple possession offences to be examined.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*

[30th May, 2017]

- 35.** An Bille um Chomharchumann Tithíochta Náisiúnta, 2017 – An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).
National Housing Co-operative Bill 2017 – Second Stage (*resumed*).
– *Senators David Norris, Gerard P. Craughwell, Victor Boyhan.*
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- 36.** An Bille Sláinte (Leasú) (Cúram Baile Gairmiúil), 2016 – Ordú don Choiste.
Health (Amendment) (Professional Home Care) Bill 2016 – Order for Committee.
– *Senators Colm Burke, Neale Richmond, Maura Hopkins.*
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- 37.** An Bille um Ghairmithe Sláinte Criticiúla, 2017 – Ordú don Choiste.
Critical Health Professionals Bill 2017 – Order for Committee.
– *Senators Keith Swanick, Mark Daly, Robbie Gallagher.*
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- 38.** An Bille Inimirce (Athchóiriú) (Stádas Cónaithe a Thabhairt chun Rialtacha), 2016 – Ordú don Choiste.
Immigration (Reform) (Regularisation of Residency Status) Bill 2016 – Order for Committee.
– *Senators David Norris, Victor Boyhan, Gerard P. Craughwell.*
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- 39.** An Bille um an Seanad, 2016 – An Coiste.
Seanad Bill 2016 – Committee.
– *Senators Michael McDowell, Frances Black, Victor Boyhan, Gerard P. Craughwell, John Dolan, Alice-Mary Higgins, Rónán Mullen, Grace O'Sullivan, Lynn Ruane.*
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- 40.** An Bille um Dhúnorgain Chorparáideach (Uimh. 2), 2016 – An Coiste.
Corporate Manslaughter (No. 2) Bill 2016 – Committee.
– *Senators Mark Daly, Lorraine Clifford-Lee, Robbie Gallagher.*
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- 41.** An Bille um Chaomhnú Fostaíochta (Uaireanta Éiginnte), 2016 – An Coiste.
Protection of Employment (Uncertain Hours) Bill 2016 – Committee.
– *Senators Gerald Nash, Kevin Humphreys, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.*
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- 42.** An Bille um Chiontuith mar gheall ar Chionta Gnéasacha Áirithe (Leithscéal a Ghabháil agus Saoradh), 2016 – An Coiste.
Convictions for Certain Sexual Offences (Apology and Exoneration) Bill 2016 – Committee.
– *Senators Ged Nash, Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.*
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- 43.** Bille na bPinsean (Déileáil Chomhionann i dtaca le Pinsin i Scéim Sochair Ceirde) (Leasú), 2016 – An Coiste.
Pensions (Equal Pension Treatment in Occupational Benefit Scheme) (Amendment) Bill 2016 – Committee.
– *Senators Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Ged Nash, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.*
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- 44.** An Bille um Aosaigh a Chosaint, 2017 – An Coiste.
Adult Safeguarding Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Colette Kelleher, Lorraine Clifford-Lee, Frances Black, Alice-Mary Higgins, Jerry Buttimer, Victor Boyhan, John Dolan, Lynn Ruane, Ivana Bacik, Marie-Louise O'Donnell.*
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- 45.** An Bille um Inscne a Aithint (Leasú), 2017 – An Coiste.
Gender Recognition (Amendment) Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Fintan Warfield, David Norris, Grace O'Sullivan.*
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- 46.** An Bille um Thruailliú ó Bhruscar (Leasú), 2017 – An Coiste.
Litter Pollution (Amendment) Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Catherine Ardagh, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor, Ned O'Sullivan, Aidan Davitt, Robbie Gallagher and Gerry Horkan.*
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- 47.** An Bille um Údarás na Gaeltachta (Leasú), 2017 – An Coiste.
Údarás na Gaeltachta (Amendment) Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Niall Ó Donnghaile, Paul Gavan.*
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- 48.** An Bille Cosanta (Suaitheantas Liopa Iarshaighdiúra), 2017 – An Coiste.
Defence (Veterans Lapel Badge) Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Gerard P. Craughwell, Victor Boyhan, Pádraig Ó Céidigh.*
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- 49.** An Bille um Threalamh Tarrhála Beatha, 2017 – An Coiste.
Life Saving Equipment Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Paul Daly, Robbie Gallagher, Keith Swanick, Diarmuid Wilson.*
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- 50.** An Bille um Thoirmeasc ar Theiripí Tiontúcháin, 2018 – An Coiste.
Prohibition of Conversion Therapies Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Fintan Warfield, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Rose Conway-Walsh, Paul Gavan, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, David Norris, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Victor Boyhan, Gerard P. Craughwell, Joan Freeman, Frances Black, Alice-Mary Higgins, Colette Kelleher, Grace O'Sullivan, Lynn Ruane, Jerry Buttimer, Catherine Ardagh, Máire Devine.*
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- 51.** An Bille um an Dlí Sibhialta (Costais i Nithe a bhaineann le Probháid), 2017 – An Coiste.
Civil Law (Costs in Probate Matters) Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Victor Boyhan, Billy Lawless, Michael McDowell, Brian Ó Domhnaill.*
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- 52.** An Bille um Chuntasacht Rialtais Áitiúil, 2018 – An Coiste.
Local Government Accountability Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Brian Ó Domhnaill, Diarmuid Wilson, Victor Boyhan, Gerard P. Craughwell.*
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- 53.** An Bille um Pá Íosta Náisiúnta (Deireadh a Chur le Rátaí Pá Fo-Íosta), 2017 – An Coiste.
National Minimum Wage (Removal of Sub-minimum Rates of Pay) Bill 2017 – Committee.
– *Senators Paul Gavan, Lynn Ruane, Fintan Warfield.*
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- 54.** An Bille um Ligin Ghearrthearma, 2018 – An Coiste.
Short-term Lettings Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Kevin Humphreys, Ivana Bacik, Gerald Nash.*
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- 55.** An Bille Oideachais (Feistí Digiteacha i Scoileanna), 2018 – An Coiste.
Education (Digital Devices in Schools) Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Gerard P. Craughwell, Victor Boyhan, Billy Lawless.*
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- 56.** An Bille Meabhair-Shláinte (Cumas Toiliú le Cóireáil), 2018 – An Coiste.
Mental Health (Capacity to Consent to Treatment) Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Máire Devine, Lynn Ruane, Frances Black, Grace O'Sullivan, Joan Freeman, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Fintan Warfield, Paul Gavan, Rose Conway-Walsh, Niall Ó Donnghaile.*
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- 57.** An Bille um Mionnú Éithigh agus Cionta Gaolmhara, 2018 – An Coiste.
Perjury and Related Offences Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Pádraig Ó Céidigh, Victor Boyhan, Ian Marshall, Michael McDowell.*
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- 58.** Bille Náisiúntachta agus Saoránachta Éireann (Eadóirsiú Mionaoiseach a Rugadh in Éirinn),
2018 – An Coiste.
Irish Nationality and Citizenship (Naturalisation of Minors Born in Ireland) Bill 2018 –
Committee.
– *Senators Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Gerald Nash, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.*
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- 59.** An Bille um Chosaint Dhigiteach do Leanaí, 2018 – An Coiste.
Children's Digital Protection Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Joan Freeman, Victor Boyhan, Brian Ó Domhnaill, Pádraig Ó Céidigh, Michael McDowell.*
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- 60.** An Bille um Gharchabhair agus Meabhairshláinte i Scoileanna (Oiliúint Tosaigh ar Mhúinteoirí), 2018 – An Coiste.
First Aid and Mental Health in Schools (Initial Teacher Training) Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Robbie Gallagher, Diarmuid Wilson, Keith Swanick.*
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- 61.** An Bille um Gharchabhair agus Meabhairshláinte i Scoileanna (Múinteoirí Reatha), 2018 –
An Coiste.
First Aid and Mental Health in Schools (Existing Teachers) Bill 2018 – Committee.
– *Senators Robbie Gallagher, Diarmuid Wilson, Keith Swanick.*

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- 62.** (l) An Bille Toghcháin (Leasú) (Vótáil ag Aois 16), 2016 – An Coiste (*atógáil, alt 3*).
(a) Electoral (Amendment) (Voting at 16) Bill 2016 – Committee (*resumed, section 3*).

– *Senators Fintan Warfield, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Lynn Ruane.*

- 63.** An Bille um Cheartas Coiriúil (Tréimhsí Athshlánúcháin), 2018 – An Coiste.
Criminal Justice (Rehabilitative Periods) Bill 2018– Committee.

– *Senators Lynn Ruane, Frances Black, Collette Kelleher, John Dolan, Alice-Mary Higgins, Grace O’Sullivan.*

- 64.** An Bille um Chultúr agus Stair an Lucht Siúil san Oideachas, 2018 – An Tuarascáil.
Traveller Culture and History in Education Bill 2018 – Report Stage.

– *Senators Colette Kelleher, Lynn Ruane, Grace O’Sullivan.*

- 65.** An Bille um Pá Íosta Náisiúnta (Séisíní Fostaithe a Chosaint), 2017 – An Tuarascáil.
National Minimum Wage (Protection of Employee Tips) Bill 2017 – Report Stage.

– *Senators Paul Gavan, Fintan Warfield.*

Tairiscint:

Motion:

66. “Go ndéanann Seanad Éireann:

That Seanad Éireann:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a thabhairt dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Airgeadas, Caiteachas Poiblí agus Athchóiriú, agus an Taoiseach, dar teideal ‘Idirghabháil le Cistí Infheistíochta’ ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 15 Márta 2018; - a thabhairt dá aire iarrachtaí leanúnacha gan rath an Chomhchoiste dul i mbun idirghabháil le cistí infheistíochta príobháideacha neamhrialáilte agus le gnólachtaí seirbhíse creidmheasa rialáilte agus gurb oth leis seasamh na n-eintiteas seo agus cuirí ón gComhchoiste láithriú ag éisteachtaí de chuid an Chomhchoiste agus a bheith cuntasach don Pharlaimint á ndiúltú acu; - aitheantas a thabhairt do thacaíocht Ghobharnóir Bhanc Ceannais na hÉireann ag éileamh go bhfreastalóidh na cistí infheistíochta príobháideacha | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, and Taoiseach entitled ‘Engagement with Investment Funds’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 15th March, 2018; - notes the continuing, unsuccessful efforts of the Joint Committee to engage with unregulated private investment funds and regulated credit service firms and regrets the position of these entities in declining invitations from the Joint Committee to attend hearings of the Joint Committee and to be accountable to Parliament; - acknowledges the support of the Governor of the Central Bank of Ireland in calling for the unregulated private investment funds and regulated credit service firms to |
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neamhrialáilte agus na gnólachtaí seirbhíse creidmheasa rialáilte ag an gComhchoiste ar an mbonn go bhfuil ‘freagracht shóisialta ar ghnólachtaí a bhfuil ról suntasach acu i ngeilleagar na hÉireann cuntas a thabhairt orthu féin os comhair an Choiste’;

- a thabhairt dá aire an fhaisnéis a sholáthair an Roinn Airgeadais ina dtugtar mionsonraí i dtaobh an leibhéil idirghabhála le tionscal na gcistí ó 2013 go 2016 agus ina dtugtar mionsonraí i dtaobh thart ar 125 chruinniú iomchuí a seoladh, rud a léiríonn an leibhéal idirghníomhaíochta a bhí ann idir tionscal na gcistí agus an Roinn thar na blianta sin;
- a iarraidh ar an Rialtas na moltaí atá i míreanna 17 agus 18 den Tuarascáil a chur i ngníomh, eadhon:
 - scor de gach idirghabháil le cistí infheistíochta príobháideacha neamhrialáilte agus le gnólachtaí seirbhíse creidmheasa rialáilte go dtí go mbeidh na heintitis sin cuntasach don Pharlaimint; agus
 - reachtaíocht a thabhairt isteach chun gach eintiteas neamhrialáilte atá ag oibriú i margadh morgáistí na hÉireann a rialáil d’fhonn tomhaltóirí Éireannacha a chosaint.

attend at the Joint Committee on the basis that ‘firms with a serious role in the Irish economy have a social responsibility to account for themselves before the Committee’;

- notes the information provided by the Department of Finance detailing the level of engagement with the funds industry from 2013 to 2016 detailing approximately 125 relevant meetings held, thus demonstrating the level of interaction between the funds industry and the Department over those years;
- calls on the Government to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 17 and 18 of the Report, namely:
 - to cease all engagement with unregulated private investment funds and regulated credit service firms until these entities are accountable to Parliament; and
 - to introduce legislation for the regulation of all unregulated entities operating in the Irish mortgage market in order to protect Irish consumers.”.

– *Senator Gerry Horkan,*

Vice-Chairman of the Joint Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, and Taoiseach.

[30th May, 2018]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

67. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Chúram Meabhairshláinte sa Todhchaí dar teideal ‘An Tuarascáil Deiridh’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 16 Deireadh Fómhair 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on the Future of Mental Health Care entitled ‘Final Report’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 16th October, 2018.”

– *Senator Joan Freeman,*

Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Future of Mental Health Care.

[22nd January, 2019]*Tairiscint:**Motion:*

68. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Airgeadas, Caiteachas Poiblí agus Athchóiriú, agus an Taoiseach, dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le Comhpháirtíochtaí Poiblí Príobháideacha do Thionscadail Bhonneagair san Earnáil Phoiblí – Leachtú Carillion Group’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 22 Deireadh Fómhair 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, and Taoiseach entitled ‘Report on Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) for Public Sector Infrastructure Projects - Liquidation of the Carillion Group’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 22 October, 2018.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer*
[29th January, 2019]

*Tairiscint:**Motion:*

69. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Oideachas agus Scileanna dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le soláthar Ranganna Neamhoird de chuid Speictream an Uathachais agus Ranganna Speisialta i scoileanna príomhchineáil’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 24 Deireadh Fómhair 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Education and Skills entitled ‘Report on the provision of Autistic Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and Special Classes in mainstream schools’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 24th October, 2018.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*
[29th January, 2019]

*Tairiscint:**Motion:*

70. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Oideachas agus Scileanna dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le hOiliúint agus Tacaíochtaí do Sholáthraithe Oideachais Riachtanas Speisialta agus do Sholáthraithe Oideachais i Scoileanna DEIS’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 24 Deireadh Fómhair 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Education and Skills entitled ‘Report on Training and Supports for Providers of Special Needs Education and Education in DEIS Schools’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 24th October, 2018.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*
[29th January, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

71. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Oideachas agus Scileanna dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le hOideachas Caidrimh agus Gnéasachta’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 29 Eanáir 2019.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Education and Skills entitled ‘Report on Relationships and Sexuality Education’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 29th January, 2019.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*

[29th January, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

72. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Oideachas agus Scileanna dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir leis an athchóiriú leanúnach ar churaclam na hArdteistiméireachta’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 24 Deireadh Fómhair 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Education and Skills entitled ‘Report on the ongoing reform of the Leaving Certificate curriculum’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 24th October, 2018.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*

[7th February, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

73. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Oideachas agus Scileanna dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le hoibriú na Scéime Iompair Scoile’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 7 Samhain 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Education and Skills entitled ‘Report on the operation of the School Transport Scheme’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 7th November, 2018.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*

[7th February, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

74. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige dar teideal ‘Dul i ngleic le hOtracht Óige’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Children and Youth Affairs entitled ‘Tackling Childhood Obesity’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 14th November, 2018.”

an 14 Samhain 2018.

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer*
[14th February, 2018]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

75. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Thalmhaíocht, Bia agus Muir dar teideal ‘Todhchaí na hEarnála Curaíochta in Éirinn’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 22 Samhain 2017.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Food and the Marine entitled ‘Future of the Tillage Sector in Ireland’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 22nd November, 2017.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*
[12th March, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

76. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ó Choiste Comhairliúcháin Phoiblí an tSeanaid dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le Stádas an Roisc Náisiúnta, leis an gCaoi a nDéileáiltear leis agus lena Úsáid’, a leagadh faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 17 Iúil 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Seanad Public Consultation Committee entitled ‘Report on the Status, Treatment and Use of the National Anthem’, which was laid before Seanad Éireann on 17th July, 2018.”

– *Senator Paul Coghlan,*
Chairman of the Seanad Public Consultation Committee.
[12th March, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

77. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil ar an gCibearshlándáil do Leanaí agus d’Aosaigh Óga’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 28 Márta 2018.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Children and Youth Affairs entitled ‘Report on Cyber Security for Children and Young Adults’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 28th March, 2018.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*
[12th March, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

78. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report

an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil dar teideal ‘Slán Sábháilte? Tuarascáil ar Chaighdeáin Foirgníochta, Rialuithe Foirgníochta agus Cosaint Tomhaltóirí (Nollaig 2017)’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 24 Eanáir 2018.

of the Joint Committee on Housing, Planning and Local Government entitled ‘Safe as Houses? A Report on Building Standards, Building Controls & Consumer Protection (December 2017)’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 24 January 2018.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*
[12th March, 2019]

Tairiscint:

Motion:

79. “Go dtugann Seanad Éireann dá aire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige dar teideal ‘Tuarascáil maidir le Seirbhísí Cúraim Altrama a Sholáthar in Éirinn’, ar leagadh cóipeanna di faoi bhráid Sheanad Éireann an 9 Samhain 2017.

That Seanad Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Children and Youth Affairs entitled ‘Report on the Provision of Foster Care Services in Ireland’, copies of which were laid before Seanad Éireann on 9th November, 2017.”

– *Senator Jerry Buttimer.*
[12th March, 2019]

80. *Tairiscintí nach ón Rialtas:*
Non-Government Motions:

1. “That Seanad Éireann:

- referring to its previous motion of October 2016 recognising the conflict in Syria as one of the world’s gravest humanitarian crises since the Second World War, involving 8 million displaced people inside Syria, 4.5 million people under siege or inaccessible, 4.5 million refugees beyond Syrian borders, 1.5 million people injured and more than 250,000 people killed;
- noting that since then, there have been large numbers of further civilian casualties with particularly horrific attacks on civilians in Eastern Ghouta in recent weeks;
- condemns the indiscriminate bombing of civilians and civilian infrastructure by the Syrian regime and its backers, that have left hundreds dead in the last two weeks alone;
- condemns further the deliberate targeting of medical and rescue infrastructure and personnel, and the use of starvation sieges against the population of Eastern Ghouta since 2013;
- calls for all bombing of civilians and civilian infrastructure in Syria to cease immediately and for the immediate implementation and indefinite extension of the UN Ceasefire (Security Council 2401) and a negotiated, comprehensive and sustainable end to the conflict, based on the 2012 Geneva Communique and UN

Security Council resolution 2254;

- calls for repeated, continuous and unhindered access to Eastern Ghouta and other besieged areas for UN-led humanitarian relief operations;
- calls on the Government, with the support of civil society, to implement its agreed commitments to support refugees from Syria, including under the Irish Refugee Protection Programme, the Family Reunification Humanitarian Admission Programme and our national resettlement programme;
- calls on the Government to continue to use all appropriate diplomatic means and forums to raise this issue, to continue to work with likeminded states in the EU and the UN and to continue to work towards an end to bombardment of civilians, a genuine cessation of violence, and unimpeded humanitarian aid access throughout Syria and in particular in Eastern Ghouta.”

– *Senators Ivana Bacik, Jerry Buttimer, Catherine Ardagh, Alice-Mary Higgins.*

[28th March, 2018]

2. “That Seanad Éireann:

acknowledges:

- suicide is a tragic event with strong and devastating emotional repercussions for the families, friends and communities left behind,
- suicide is a leading cause of death worldwide,
- approximately 500 people die by suicide every year in Ireland,
- for every suicide at least 6 people are directly affected,
- rebuilding lives is such an enormous task and suicide survivors need more acknowledgement and assistance to heal from grief that seems insurmountable;

recognises:

- the positive advancements in destigmatising mental illness in recent years,
- further need of cultural change is required to ensure society is more open to and accepting of those with mental illness,
- further structural change is vital to ensure that when those at risk seek help it is available and accessible,
- the need to acknowledge and support those in deep distress who are left behind;

agrees:

- to name a ‘National Suicide Survivors Day’ dedicated to those grieving the terrible loss of loved ones through suicide,
- a ‘National Suicide Survivors Day’ will acknowledge and demonstrate compassion allowing people to talk about their loss and burden,

- a ‘National Suicide Survivors Day’ will reach out and encourage expression of grief and assist healing,
 - a ‘National Suicide Survivors Day’ will give a voice to conversation about mental illnesses and suicide,
 - a ‘National Suicide Survivors Day’ will lessen isolation and silence.”
- *Senators Máire Devine, Grace O’Sullivan, Colette Kelleher, Rose Conway-Walsh, Fintan Warfield, Paul Gavan, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Frances Black.*
[2nd May, 2018]

3. “That Seanad Éireann:

notes that:

- there were 643,131 people, 13.5 per cent of the population, who indicated that they had a disability in Census 2016, which represented an increase of 47,796 people between 2011 and 2016;
- up to one in ten persons below 45 years of age has a disability, rising to 20 per cent by age 60, and rates increase sharply above age 70;
- educational attainment amongst disabled persons is much lower than that of the general population at all levels;
- the unemployment rate amongst persons with a disability was 26.3 per cent, more than double the 12.9 per cent rate for the population as a whole;
- the potential loss of the medical card is a significant barrier preventing people with disabilities and chronic illness entering employment;
- the Central Statistics Office's Survey on Income⁴ and Living Conditions published in February, 2017, showed that while overall general poverty rates in Ireland are showing some improvements, they are getting worse for people who live with a disability, and it found that 53 per cent of people who are not in work due to a disability or illness are experiencing enforced deprivation;
- living with a disability in Ireland today can bring extra costs of between €207 and €276 per week;
- almost 50 per cent of people living with a physical disability experience difficulty going outside the home alone due to inadequate transport provision;
- despite provision under the Disability Act 2005 for an assessment of need, thousands of children are being denied their developmental potential for years while stuck on waiting lists for therapy supports;
- today, one in 20 people in Ireland is a family carer, collectively providing some €10 billion in unpaid care each year;
- respite care involves giving families and carers much needed assistance in caring for

their loved one for a short period – that current provision is far short of what is needed, and without adequate respite, family carers are themselves left more vulnerable to ill-health;

- the in loco parentis clause in homecare nursing contracts for sick children is causing unnecessary stress, worry and constraint on the parents of sick children;
- the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA) is helping to ensure that best standards apply in all special care homes, although they are still under-resourced; and
- Ireland has at last ratified the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD), having signed it over a decade ago in 2007;

and calls on the Government to:

- ensure that there is a corresponding entitlement to a service along with an assessment of need enshrined in legislation;
- prioritise the scheduling and passage into law of the Disability (Provisions) Bill 2016;
- establish, without any unnecessary delay, the Decision Support Service promised in the Assisted-Decision Making (Capacity) Act 2015;
- recognise the importance of the two implementation mechanisms provided in the UNCRPD through the adoption of the Optional Protocol to the CRPD;
- provide significant additional investment to combat the long waiting lists for therapy supports such as occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech and language therapy and psychology;
- recognise the additional expense of having a disability and increase income supports accordingly;
- increase personal assistance hours by 500,000 to address the unmet need and enable people to be active participants within their family household, their communities, employment and society;
- increase funding for housing adaptation grants by 50 per cent from current level;
- increase respite care services by 20 per cent;
- fund appropriate employment services to enable and empower people with a disability to gain or retain employment;
- ensure that everybody with serious medical needs has a secure medical card;
- abolish immediately the in loco parentis clause in homecare nursing contracts for sick children;
- significantly increase investment in transport accessibility and work towards making all public transport wheelchair-accessible;

- introduce a scheme to replace the mobility allowance and motorised transport grant;
 - allocate the necessary funding to progress de-congregation;
 - increase resourcing for HIQA to facilitate the carrying out of the most effective inspection regime possible, thereby ensuring best standards will apply in all settings; and
 - designate a lead co-ordinating Department to ensure joined-up thinking and joined-up action across all Government departments in the interest of people with disabilities.”
- *Senators Rose Conway-Walsh, Máire Devine, Paul Gavan, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Fintan Warfield, Victor Boyhan, John Dolan.*

[10th May, 2018]

4. “That Seanad Éireann:

- recognises that for nearly four decades, the Iranian regime has been condemned for its continued gross violations of human rights;
- acknowledges that more than 120,000 activists of democracy and human rights in Iran have been arbitrarily arrested, tortured and executed;
- notes that in the summer of 1988, more than 30,000 political prisoners were massacred in only two months for opposing the religious dictatorship and supporting the democratic movement the People’s Mujahedin Organisation of Iran (PMOI) and that Amnesty International called this massacre a ‘Crime Against Humanity’ and that its perpetrators must be brought to justice; according to the United Nations, the Iranian regime is the world’s number one executioner per capita;
- takes into account that despite such repression, in January 2018, the world witnessed a wave of uprisings and protests by the Iranian people, which soon expanded to more than 140 cities; where people chanted ‘reformists, hard-liners, the game is now over’, ‘Down with Khamenei and Rouhani’, ‘No to Gaza no to Syria our life is for Iran’ and ‘Leave Syria alone, think about us!’;
- fully recognises that these actions demonstrate the true will of the Iranian people for changing the religious dictatorship and popular rejection of the regime’s expansion of terrorism and warmongering in the region;
- declares solidarity with the Iranian people and supports their democratic objectives;
- acknowledges that the regime’s president, its supreme leader and many other regime officials, have also admitted to the key role of the main Iranian opposition party and their supporters in organising these protests and their continuity;
- notes that the era has changed in Iran and that people have risen up for democratic change and the establishment of freedom in Iran, which will translate into peace and security in the wider region;
- calls on the Irish and European Governments, as well as the international

community, to alter their policies of soft line approach into decisiveness;

- calls for the Iranian regime's terrorist Quds Force, Hezbollah and the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) to be expelled from the region;
- calls on the Irish Government and the international community to side with the Iranian people and recognise the National Council of Resistance of Iran (NCRI) as a viable alternative to this faltering theocratic regime;
- supports the 10-point platform of the NCRI President-elect Mrs. Maryam Rajavi, for establishing a Democratic Republic based on the separation of religion and state, sexual, ethnic and religious equality, devoid of a nuclear programme, the abolition of the death penalty, peaceful co-existence and commitment to international conventions and laws to guarantee popular rule, development and progress in Iran and the wider world;
- recognises that it is time for the international community to stand on the right side of history on this issue;
- calls for relations with the regime to be made contingent upon an end to torture, executions, ballistic missiles and the spread of terrorism and war in the region;
- expresses solidarity with the grand convention of the Iranian people in Paris on 30th June in support of the uprisings in Iran for the establishment of freedom and democracy;
- instructs the Cathaoirleach to forward this resolution to the President of Ireland, the Taoiseach, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, the EU Foreign Policy Chief, the European Parliament and the EU Commission.”
- *Senators Brian Ó Domhnaill, Gerry Horkan, Marie-Louise O'Donnell, David Norris, Neale Richmond, Paul Daly, Diarmuid Wilson.*

[21st June, 2018]

5. “That Seanad Éireann:

- shares the dismay and condemnation articulated internationally and in the US following the recent US policy of removing children from their immigrant parents to take them into custody;
- views this as inhumane, undignified and unwarranted; and
- calls for the policy to be reversed immediately.”
- *Senators Mark Daly, Catherine Ardagh, Lorraine Clifford-Lee, Paul Daly, Aidan Davitt, Robbie Gallagher, Gerry Horkan, Terry Leyden, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor, Ned O'Sullivan, Keith Swanick, Diarmuid Wilson, Colm Burke, Paddy Burke, Ray Butler, Jerry Buttimer, Maria Byrne, Paudie Coffey, Paul Coghlan, Martin Conway, Frank Feighan, Maura Hopkins, Anthony Lawlor, Tim Lombard, Gabrielle McFadden, Michelle Mulherin, Catherine Noone, Kieran O'Donnell, John O'Mahony, Joe O'Reilly, James Reilly, Neale Richmond, Rose Conway-Walsh, Máire Devine, Paul Gavan, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Fintan Warfield, Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Ged Nash, David Norris, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Frances Black, Victor*

Boyhan, Gerard P. Craughwell, John Dolan, Colette Kelleher, Brian Ó Domhnaill, Grace O'Sullivan, Lynn Ruane.

[22nd June, 2018]

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6. “That, pursuant to Standing Order 190, the Order of the Seanad of 5th July, 2018, in relation to the sitting of the Seanad on Monday, 9th July, 2018, be suspended for the particular purpose of permitting a debate with the Minister for Justice and Equality on the process leading to the publication of the Report of the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO) on Ireland.”

– *Senators Gerard P. Craughwell, Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Ged Nash, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.*

[6th July, 2018]

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7. “That Seanad Éireann unequivocally condemns the attempts of the Israeli State to demolish the Bedouin village of Khan al-Ahmar and relocate its inhabitants either to a municipal dump or a sewage treatment plant.”

– *Senators David Norris, Kevin Humphreys, Grace O'Sullivan, Rose Conway-Walsh, Máire Devine, Paul Gavan, Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Fintan Warfield, Frances Black, Ivana Bacik, Ged Nash, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Colette Kelleher, Gerard P. Craughwell.*

[9th October, 2018]

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8. “That Seanad Éireann calls on the Minister for Health to accept and implement the recommendations of the Loneliness Taskforce which recommends:

- that €3 million be dedicated towards a public campaign, funding initiatives and research to combat loneliness;
- a Government Minister be allocated specific responsibility for loneliness;
- the creation of a public campaign which would encourage those feeling lonely to seek support from a GP, raise awareness of the negative health implications of loneliness, and prompt citizens to engage with those most vulnerable to loneliness;
- specific funding for community initiatives to combat loneliness; and
- specific funding for Irish based research.”

– *Senators Catherine Ardagh, Lorraine Clifford-Lee, Mark Daly, Paul Daly, Aidan Davitt, Robbie Gallagher, Gerry Horkan, Terry Leyden, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor, Ned O'Sullivan, Keith Swanick, Diarmuid Wilson.*

[27th November, 2018]

9. “That Seanad Éireann:

notes that:

- the average woman, or anyone who experiences periods, will have 507 periods from age 12 to 51, for roughly 39 years of her life;
- in Ireland, sanitary products can cost from €2 to €6 per pack, with the average pack containing 10 to 15 pads or tampons, and that a 12 pack of pain relief tablets costs between €6 and €10;
- most women and girls will have 13 periods a year, with some using up to 22 tampons and/or towels per cycle leading to an estimated annual cost of €208 for sanitary products and pain relief, costing €8,100 over a lifetime;
- access to affordable sanitary products and menstrual education should be viewed in a human rights context as according to the World Health Organisation’s constitution ‘...the highest attainable standard of health as a fundamental right of every human being’;
- the United Nations (UN) Human Rights Council Resolution 33/10 on 29 September, 2016 states that lack of menstrual health management and stigma associated with menstruation both have a negative impact on gender equality and women’s and girls’ enjoyment of human rights, including the right to education and the right to health;
- the UN Committee on Rights of the Child *General Comment No. 20 (2016) on implementation of the rights of the child during adolescence* has stated that ‘All adolescents should have access to free, confidential, adolescent-responsive and non-discriminatory sexual and reproductive health services, information and education...[including on] menstrual hygiene’;
- according to a survey of more than 1,100 young girls and women aged between 12 and 19 years by Plan International Ireland nearly 50 per cent of Irish teenage girls find it difficult to afford sanitary products;
- some 109 of the young women who participated in the survey said they were forced to use a ‘less suitable sanitary product’ because of the high monthly cost involved;
- nearly 60 per cent of, or one in two, young women and girls said school does not inform them adequately about periods;
- six out of ten young women reported feeling shame and embarrassment about their period, 61 per cent miss school on their period and more than 80 per cent said they did not feel comfortable talking about their periods with their father or a teacher; and
- nearly 70 per cent of young women take some form of pain relief during menstruation;

acknowledges that:

- tampons and sanitary towels are not subject to Value Added Tax (VAT) in Ireland

which has a zero rate treatment on women's sanitary products, but new period products that may better suit some women, girls and the environment, are still taxed at the highest rate of tax at 23%;

- due to the high cost of these products, women and girls in period poverty are resorting to unsuitable options such as newspaper, toilet paper or unwashed clothing;
- girls and young women who suffer shame and embarrassment surrounding their period are more likely to use unsuitable options rather than approach family members or their teacher;
- in September 2018, Dublin City Council announced it will provide free sanitary products in its buildings such as community centres, swimming pools and libraries;
- the advances being made in other countries such as the success of a six month pilot in Aberdeen to provide free products in all schools funded by the Scottish Government; and
- the work of organisations such as Plan International Ireland and The Homeless Period to alleviate the stress and financial burden placed on women and girls due to period poverty;

and calls on the Government to:

- provide a range of free, adequate, safe and suitable sanitary products and comprehensive, objective menstrual education information distributed through all public buildings, including schools, universities, direct provision centres, refuges, homeless services, Garda stations, hospitals, maternity hospitals, prisons, detention centres and rehabilitation centres so as to tackle period poverty and de-stigmatise and normalise menstruation;
- ensure all menstrual products available in Ireland are safe, through regulation and quality checks;
- ensure young women, girls and people of other genders can learn about their periods and menstrual hygiene in a normalising and safe environment, including online by providing a State-run website with objective information, and ensure girls, boys and people of other genders have access to education about menstruation integrated into the school curriculum;
- ensure improved access to hygienic facilities and sanitary products that are affordable and meet individual needs;
- work with other countries across the European Union to remove VAT on all sanitary products, including healthy and environmentally-friendly sanitary products such as cups and period-proof underwear; and
- prioritise the issue of menstrual equity for girls and children's rights as central to Irish Aid's work overseas in line with the UN's Sustainable Development Goal 5 on achieving gender equality and empowering all women and girls, and Goal 6 which calls for universal and equitable access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all by 2030."

– *Senators Ivana Bacik, Kevin Humphreys, Ged Nash, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin, Rose Conway-Walsh, Máire Devine, Paul Gavan, Pádraig MacLochlainn, Niall Ó Donnghaile, Fintan Warfield, Francis Black, Alice-Mary Higgins, Grace O’Sullivan, Lynn Ruane, Colette Kelleher, Lorraine Clifford-Lee, Ian Marshall.*

[19th March, 2019]

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

BILLÍ AR SIÚL AGUS GNÓ ATÁ ORDAITHE
Bills in Progress and Business Ordered

Dé Máirt, 2 Aibreán, 2019
Tuesday, 2nd April, 2019

An Bille um Fhiadhúlra (Leasú), 2016 [*Dáil*] – An Coiste.
Wildlife (Amendment) Bill 2016 [*Dáil*] – Committee.

BILLÍ SEANAID SA DÁIL
Seanad Bills with the Dáil

An Bille um Neamhord Speictream an Uathachais, 2017.
Autism Spectrum Disorder Bill 2017.

An Bille um Thiarnaí Talún agus Tionóntaí (Bunchíosanna) (Leasú), 2017.
Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (Amendment) Bill 2017.

An Bille um Chosaint Idirnáisiúnta (Athaontú Teaghlaigh) (Leasú), 2017.
International Protection (Family Reunification) (Amendment) Bill 2017.

An Bille Meabhair-Shláinte (Leasú), 2016.
Mental Health (Amendment) Bill 2016.

An Bille um an Dlí Sibhialta (Toimhde Báis), 2016 (*athraithe ó*) An Bille um an Dlí Sibhialta
(Daoine atá ar Iarraidh), 2016.
Civil Law (Presumption of Death) Bill 2016 (*changed from*) Civil Law (Missing Persons) Bill
2016.

An Bille um Lá na Faisnéise Neamhspleáchais, 2017.
Declaration of Independence Day Bill 2017.

An Bille Oideachais (Leas) (Leasú), 2017.
Education (Welfare) (Amendment) Bill 2017.

An Bille fá Choimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas (Faisnéis faoin Difríocht Pá idir na hInscní), 2017.
Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (Gender Pay Gap Information) Bill 2017.

An Bille um Ghairmithe Sláinte agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh (Leasú), 2018.
Health and Social Care Professionals (Amendment) Bill 2018.

An Bille um Fheidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte (Rialachas), 2018.
Health Service Executive (Governance) Bill 2018.

An Bille um Ghníomhaíocht Eacnamaíoch a Rialú (Críocha faoi Fhorghabháil), 2018.
Control of Economic Activity (Occupied Territories) Bill 2018.

An Bille um Rásaíocht Con, 2018.
Greyhound Racing Bill 2018.

Bille na gCuideachtaí (Leasú), 2019.
Companies (Amendment) Bill 2019.

An Bille um Chosaint Tomhaltóirí (Dearbháin Bhronntanais), 2018.
Consumer Protection (Gift Vouchers) Bill 2018.

An Bille um Chlárú Uachtanna, 2016.
Registration of Wills Bill 2016.

An Bille Iascaigh Mhara (Leasú), 2017.
Sea-Fisheries (Amendment) Bill 2017.

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

¹ I gcás nach leagtar scríbhinn ach faoi bhráid aon Teach amháin, cuirfear (D) – Dáil nó (S) – Seanad ina diaidh dá réir sin.
Where a document is laid before one House only it will be appended with (D) – Dáil or (S) – Seanad accordingly.

Reachtúil:	Statutory:
Tairiscint Ceadaithe ag Teastáil	Requiring Motion of Approval
Níl aon scríbhinn á leagan faoin gCatagóir seo	None
In-neamhnithe le Tairiscint	Open to Motion to Annul
Na Rialacháin Sláinte (Ranníocaí Cothabhála agus Cóiríochta i leith Seirbhísí Tacaíochta Cónaithe) (Leasú), 2019 (I.R. Uimh. 106 de 2019).	Health (Residential Support Services Maintenance and Accommodation Contributions) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 (S.I. No. 106 of 2019).
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