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CEISTEANNA I gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

- 1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the economic division of his Department. Richard Boyd Barrett. [21101/18]
- 2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the economic division of his Department. Mary Lou McDonald. [22243/18]
- 3. To ask the Taoiseach his plans for reform of Seanad Éireann. Brendan Howlin. [21238/18]
- 4. To ask the Taoiseach the supports provided by his Department to Ministers of State. Brendan Howlin. [21241/18]
- 5. To ask the Taoiseach the supports his Department provides to independent Ministers and Deputies that support the Government. Joan Burton. [21439/18]
- 6. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the supports provided to Independent Ministers and supporters of the Government from his Department. Brendan Howlin. [22707/18]
- 7. To ask the Taoiseach the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government. Brendan Howlin. [21242/18]
- 8. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the implementation of measures in the Programme for Partnership Government. Mary Lou McDonald. [21282/18]
- 9. To ask the Taoiseach the status of the commitment in the Programme for Partnership Government on political reform. Joan Burton. [21443/18]
- 10. To ask the Taoiseach the number of freedom of information requests his Department received to date in 2018. Joan Burton. [21442/18]
- 11. To ask the Taoiseach if he has specific deals or arrangements with Independent TDs. Micheál Martin. [21487/18]
- 12. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the EU West Balkans summit in Sofia, Bulgaria on 17 May 2018. Mary Lou McDonald. [22242/18]
- 13. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Chancellor Merkel since the last EU Council meeting. Micheál Martin. [22297/18]

- 14. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the meetings he attended in Sofia, Bulgaria. Brendan Howlin. [22462/18]
- 15. To ask the Taoiseach the purpose of his visit to Bulgaria; the meetings he held; and the items he discussed. Micheál Martin. [22569/18]
- 16. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the Western Balkans summit in Sofia. Joan Burton. [22575/18]
- 17. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the EU summit meeting on the Western Balkans in Sophia. Seán Haughey. [22603/18]
- 18. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his visit to Bulgaria and the issues that were discussed. Seán Haughey. [22611/18]
- 19. To ask the Taoiseach if the suggested USA tariffs were discussed at meetings that he attended in Bulgaria. Seán Haughey. [22612/18]
- 20. To ask the Taoiseach when he last spoke to the British Prime Minister, Mrs. Theresa May. Mary Lou McDonald. [22244/18]
- 21. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent discussions with the British Prime Minister, Mrs. Theresa May. Micheál Martin. [22293/18]
- 22. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his own guarantee regarding his commitment on 15 May 2018 in relation to there being no Border between north and south; and the responses he has received from Prime Minister May and EU partners when he informed them that under no circumstances will there be a Border. Micheál Martin. [22571/18]
- 23. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Ms. Nicola Sturgeon recently or since the Scottish Parliament rejected the Brexit Bill on 15 May 2018. Micheál Martin. [22572/18]
- 24. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his engagement with the British Prime Minister, Mrs. Theresa May on 17 May 2018. Mary Lou McDonald. [22695/18]
- 25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the British Prime Minister in Sofia. Eamon Ryan. [22705/18]
- 26. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his bilateral meeting with Prime Minister May in Sofia. Brendan Howlin. [22706/18]
- 27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the British Prime Minister, Mrs. Theresa May. Richard Boyd Barrett. [22709/18]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

Chun an Aire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais: To the Minister for Justice and Equality.

28. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if reports from an organisation (details supplied) that up to 50% of front-line gardaí cannot participate in high speed chases or use sirens

due to the fact they do not have basic training will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [22887/18]

- 29. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has considered the updating of Garda information and technology systems with the specific aim of tackling child abuse online; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [22725/18]
- 30. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of children and adults given antisocial behaviour warnings in 2016 and 2017; the number of antisocial behaviour orders sought in the same period by children and adults; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Lahart. [22888/18]
- 31. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he is satisfied with the handling of a protected disclosure initiated over four years ago from a Garda in relation to the involvement of a member of the force in the heroin trade in Athlone; the steps he has taken in relation to the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Clare Daly. [22809/18]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

Chun an Aire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais: To the Minister for Justice and Equality.

- 32. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of sergeants and inspectors respectively in County Wexford on 21 April 2018; the district to which each person was posted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Browne. [22372/18]
- 33. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans in regard to the referendums to take place in autumn 2018. Eamon Ryan. [18892/18]
- 34. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his Department's plans to deal with the high rate of recidivism amongst burglars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [22646/18]
- 35. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the Garda numbers within the Donegal division to date; his plans for improving Garda numbers within the county in the years ahead; his plans for maintaining and improving Garda stations within the county; if he will consider designating Glenties station to its former district status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat The Cope Gallagher. [22467/18]
- 36. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps he is taking to protect against social media platforms being used for cyberbullying; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [22693/18]
- 37. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position in relation to the ongoing construction work involved in the upgrade of Mullingar courthouse; when it will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter Burke. [22541/18]
- 38. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he is satisfied the Garda cyber crime bureau has sufficient resources; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [22645/18]

- 39. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will direct the Law Reform Commission to undertake a review of the coroner court system, including a re-examination of the way in which it operates, its operational procedures, the roles involved, the outcome of the jury in the court process and the changes which need to be made (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brassil. [22379/18]
- 40. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will consider re-evaluating the restrictions in place with regard to the right to work of asylum seekers for the right to work, with regard to specific occupations in view of a Supreme Court Justice decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mick Wallace. [22698/18]
- 41. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí attached to core Garda units, in Cork City Garda Division compared to 2010; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

 Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [22687/18]
- 42. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the way in which he plans to respond to the recommendation contained in the recent Garda culture audit (details supplied) that more members be appointed to the rank of sergeant to deal with the perceived supervision vacuum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [22647/18]
- 43. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on whether the system of direct provision here is in compliance with the European Convention of Human Rights, and the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mick Wallace. [22700/18]
- 44. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the capital investment being made in Garda resources in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22399/18]
- 45. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there has been consultation with young persons regarding delivering the best and most meaningful programmes in an improved Garda Youth Diversion Programme, especially in disadvantaged areas. Maureen O'Sullivan. [22649/18]
- 46. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the additional support in relation to equipment and vehicles in addition to extra Garda numbers allocated to counties Longford and Westmeath in the past three years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter Burke. [22540/18]
- 47. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on crime gangs in the Dublin region in 2018 compared to 2017. John Lahart. [22381/18]
- 48. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the way in which stations are manned by single Garda officers; the supports in this regard; the geographic area of each; and the length of time they are planned to be single Garda stations in tabular form. Sean Sherlock. [22692/18]
- 49. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will review the significant decline in the number of gardaí assigned to Rathcoole Garda station since 2014 with the intent to increase Garda personnel at the station; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [22375/18]
- 50. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the current family court system will be examined particularly in relation to County Kerry, to consider specific courts and judges to be assigned to family law cases; if the inclusion of a dedicated court room for family law with

consultation rooms in relation to the planning of the new infrastructure for Tralee Courthouse will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [22378/18]

- 51. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 121 of 4 October 2017, the number of incidents since 2015 in which sums of money, confiscated money or evidence in a case were found to be missing, stolen or lost from a Garda station by the amount of missing, stolen or lost money involved, the date it was reported and the Garda station involved.

 Sean Sherlock. [22689/18]
- 52. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of additional gardaí that have been allocated to Tallaght Garda station; and the rank of each. John Lahart. [22380/18]
- 53. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position regarding the ongoing allocation of additional gardaí in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22398/18]
- 54. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he had regard to the independent cultural audit (details supplied); and the measures he plans to pursue to increase and support morale. Sean Sherlock. [22690/18]
- 55. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to engage with the Garda Commissioner to progress a dedicated public transport police within An Garda Síochána to ensure public safety and security for public transport users (details supplied); his views on the way in which this dedicated service should be established; the support he and his Department propose to provide to the Commissioner and his staff in the event of such a dedicated service being established; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [22374/18]
- 56. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the roll-out of the community CCTV scheme and ensuring schemes can proceed.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [22685/18]
- 57. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of Ireland's commitment to receiving 4,000 persons under the Irish Refugee Protection Programme; the number of persons that have arrived here under the resettlement and relocation programmes as of May 2018, by countries of origin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [22377/18]
- 58. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he is satisfied with the functioning of the Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission, with particular reference to efficiency, timeliness of investigation, work practices and outcomes. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [22684/18]
- 59. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when it is expected all Garda accommodation in the State will be filled; and the engagements he has had with the OPW in this regard. Sean Sherlock. [22691/18]
- 60. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps he is taking to ensure that the recent Supreme Court ruling (details supplied) that the State should take account of a person's private life in certain immigration cases will be adhered to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mick Wallace. [22699/18]

- 61. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason for the repeated delay in publication of the coroners' (amendment) Bill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Clare Daly. [22651/18]
- 62. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which the strength of An Garda Síochána has been augmented to date; the degree on which the strength of the force will be increased in the future; if he expects stations in both urban and rural areas to benefit from the increase in the strength of the force; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22656/18]
- 63. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he is satisfied that all bodies under his Department's remit are receiving value for money; his views on the 182 breaches amounting to €45 million of public procurement guidelines in 2016; the steps he is taking to ensure this matter is resolved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mick Wallace. [22701/18]
- 64. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 126 of 10 May 2018, if the report (details supplied) will be made available to persons that had cooperated with the investigation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Clare Daly. [22652/18]
- 65. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the complaint made on 8 May 2014 in relation to Garda involvement in the heroin trade in Athlone; the status of the investigation into same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mick Wallace. [22697/18]
- 66. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons in direct provision according to age, gender and nationality; the length of time persons have been waiting to have their application processed; the number waiting for more than one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten years; the number and location of the accommodation centres; the annual cost of direct provision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [22376/18]
- 67. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will address reports from an organisation (details supplied) that up to 50% of frontline gardaí cannot participate in high speed chases or use sirens due to the fact that they do not have basic training; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [22644/18]
- 68. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of serving gardaí that have completed the CPD2 driving courses; if he is satisfied that there is an adequate number of gardaí that have this training; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [22683/18]
- 69. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda reserves in each of the Cork divisions; the number of new reserves recruited in each division; the number of reserves in each division that went on to become gardaí or are in training in each of the past three yeas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [22694/18]
- 70. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the engagement he has had with An Garda Síochána with regard to Irish citizens in Syria engaged in the conflict there. Sean Sherlock. [22688/18]
- 71. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons given anti-social behaviour warnings in 2016 and 2017 by children and adults; the number of anti-social behaviour

orders sought in the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [22648/18]

- 72. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will reconsider contacting the UNHCR in Turkey on behalf of persons (details supplied) with a view to offering them resettlement here as per the cross party letter sent to his Department on 17 May 2018. Richard Boyd Barrett. [22639/18]
- 73. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps being taken to ensure that residents of direct provision centres are being advised of their right to vote in local elections in 2019; and the way in which contact with candidates will be facilitated in order that residents can engage fully with the democratic process. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [22686/18]
- 74. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which consideration has been given to a serious plan to tackle organised criminal gangs with particular reference to the possibility of proscribing their membership; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22655/18]
- 75. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a person (details supplied) will be assisted to renew their GNIB card in view of the circumstances. Richard Boyd Barrett. [22653/18]
- 76. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans for Donegal town Garda station to date; the improvement plans for same; the staffing numbers he plans for the station; if he will consider designating Glenties Garda station to its former district status and by extension improving Garda numbers within south west and west County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat The Cope Gallagher. [22468/18]
- 77. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the ramifications of setting the digital age of consent at 16 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eamon Ryan. [22702/18]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

- *78. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken or met with Prime Minister Viktor Orbán to discuss Brexit and its implications for Ireland; and if they discussed other matters. Micheál Martin. [22573/18]
- *79. To ask the Taoiseach his views on the number of contracts his Department and State agencies under his aegis hold with a company (details supplied) in view of its recent announcement regarding the need to raise an emergency €700 million; and if contingency plans are in place if the company were to collapse. Mick Wallace. [21666/18]
- *80. To ask the Taoiseach if he is satisfied that all contracts a company (details supplied) holds with his Department and State agencies under his aegis have been tendered for; if his attention has been drawn to contracts awarded to the company that have not been tendered for; and if his attention has been further drawn to contracts awarded to the company that have rolled over. Mick Wallace. [21667/18]

Chun an Taoiseach agus Aire Cosanta: To the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence.

*81. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the safety measures that are taken in relation to the firing ranges used by Defence Forces in west County Wicklow; the road safety issues associated with same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [22766/18]

Chun an Tánaiste agus Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála: To the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade.

- *82. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he raised the Houses of the Oireachtas motions calling on the British Government to allow access by an independent judicial figure to all original documents in its possession in relation to the Dublin-Monaghan bombings with the Secretary of State of Northern Ireland. Niamh Smyth. [22784/18]
- *83. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the human rights violations that have taken place in Gaza, Palestine in recent weeks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22740/18]
- *84. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade when he or his officials last raised with the British Government the Houses of the Oireachtas motions calling on the British Government to allow access by an independent judicial figure to all original documents in its possession relating to the Dublin and Monaghan bombings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22770/18]
- *85. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has spoken to his EU counterparts regarding the EU/UK Possible Framework for the Future Discussions published by the European Commission Task Force on 15 May 2018. Micheál Martin. [22570/18]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

- *86. To ask the Minister for Finance the impact of the section 481 tax break in relation to the film industry and job promotion here by region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22764/18]
- *87. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated amount of tax that would be due on the import of vehicles (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter Burke. [22788/18]

Chun an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe: To the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

- *88. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the measures being taken to reinforce the Arklow coastal flood defences in view of the recent and ongoing damage to them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22780/18]
- *89. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the measures being taken to enhance the coastal protection works at the Murrough, Wicklow town in view of the potential for severe flooding and erosion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22781/18]

- *90. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of times the community sector high level forum or working group has met; if it has considered the issue of pensions for community employment scheme supervisors in recent months; if it has identified a pathway to an appropriate solution in relation to pensions for supervisors; if there is a timeline in place for the review group to finish its deliberation or to come to a decision in relation to the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter Burke. [22787/18]
- *91. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the OPW will carry out works (details supplied) in County Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Patrick O'Donovan. [22845/18]

Chun an Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna: To the Minister for Education and Skills.

- *92. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied) for an additional classroom; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Moynihan. [22729/18]
- *93. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason his Department does not employ school secretaries (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [22817/18]
- *94. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the estimated full year cost of restoring all allowances to new entrant teachers which were abolished in 2012 and 2013 has been collated; if so, the details of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Martin. [22838/18]
- *95. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the arrangements for provision of extra hours allocated to schools for junior cycle implementation for the school year 2018/2019, in view of the fact that not all schools had permanent leadership posts restored; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Martin. [22839/18]
- *96. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans in relation to the new entrant pay issue and related commitments of September 2016 to resolve or address the issue of the payment of the higher diploma allowance to second level teachers in view of the fact that it is a two year course, the costs of the course and that teachers cannot teach without it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Martin. [22840/18]
- *97. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a school refurbishment (details supplied) in County Westmeath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Willie Penrose. [22867/18]
- *98. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the process for children with intellectual disabilities transitioning out of second level education will be reassessed; his views on new measures to implement an earlier programme of transition via a pilot rehabilitative training transition programme between the HSE and the National Council for Special Education; his further views on a comprehensive programme of career guidance services within the educational system for young persons with special needs that leave the special school system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brassil. [22870/18]

Chun an Aire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais: To the Minister for Justice and Equality.

- *99. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he is satisfied that all contracts a company (details supplied) holds with his Department and State agencies under his aegis have been tendered for; if his attention has been drawn to contracts awarded to the company that have not been tendered for; if his attention has been further drawn to contracts awarded to the company that have rolled over; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mick Wallace. [21667/18]
- *100. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the establishment of a historic investigation unit here to deal with legacy issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Maureen O'Sullivan. [21107/18]
- *101. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the roles, rank and number of gardaí and civilian personnel for the Wicklow district in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22765/18]
- *102. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason he has not responded to correspondence from the International Transport Federation of 29 March 2018 and 26 April 2018 regarding the trafficking of fishers in the Irish fishing fleet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mick Barry. [22767/18]
- *103. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the average waiting time to have cases brought before all courts in each of the past three years in tabular form. Robert Troy. [22790/18]
- *104. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prosecutions taken by An Garda Síochána in respect of unlicensed gaming activity for non-compliance with gaming licensing requirement in each of the years 2014 to 2017 and to date in 2018 in each Garda district in Dublin in tabular form; and the number of those that led to successful convictions. Thomas P. Broughan. [22793/18]
- *105. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which the identity of the membership of criminal gangs is known; if such membership can be targeted in order to limit the activity and influence of such gangs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22818/18]
- *106. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which criminal gang members have been offered rehabilitative or educational training while in prison; the number that have had more than one referral for such training; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22819/18]
- *107. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which the structures of An Garda Síochána are adequate to meet the challenges of modern criminality; his plans to modernise same including the use of technology; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22820/18]
- *108. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prisoners incarcerated in high security or moderate security prisons to date; the extent to which the numbers are subject to fluctuation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22821/18]

- *109. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to offer stamp 4 or other residency status to immigrants that have been here for more than five years and that have established strong links here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22822/18]
- *110. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of refugees or asylum seekers awaiting a decision on their residency and remaining in direct provision facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22823/18]
- *111. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans for a review of the criminal legal aid programme with particular reference to its application to repeat offenders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22824/18]
- *112. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which local or community policing is likely to develop throughout County Kildare in the foreseeable future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22825/18]
- *113. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which he continues to support programmes to encourage young persons off the streets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22826/18]
- *114. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which adequate judges are being appointed to the various courts in order to minimise delays; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22827/18]
- *115. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in training in Templemore; when they are expected to take up duty throughout the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22828/18]
- *116. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of males and females serving prison sentences; the degree to which the numbers have fluctuated in the past two years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22829/18]
- *117. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prison spaces available in all prisons throughout the country; the number of incidents in respect of which more than one person shares a cell; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22830/18]
- *118. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí injured in the course of duty in the past six years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22831/18]
- *119. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the full extent of the scale and value of assets seized by the Criminal Assets Bureau in the past five years; if all such properties have been disposed of and the proceeds retained by the State; the status of such properties not yet disposed of in this context; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22832/18]
- *120. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which resources continue to be made available for the pursuit of cold cases, including those of missing persons whose whereabouts have never been confirmed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22833/18]

- *121. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which modern technology is available to and used by An Garda Síochána; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22834/18]
- *122. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason for the delay in processing a citizenship application by a person (details supplied); the way in which their paperwork was mislaid on two occasions; if the application will be expedited; and when the person can expect a final determination. Micheál Martin. [22843/18]
- *123. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if consideration will be given to a specific court and judges being assigned to family law cases in County Kerry; and if a dedicated court room for family law with consultation rooms will be included in the planning of the new infrastructure for Tralee courthouse; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brassil. [22865/18]
- *124. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will request the Law Reform Commission to undertake a review of the Coroner Court system (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brassil. [22869/18]

Chun an Aire Gnó, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta: To the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation.

- *125. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of Enterprise Ireland jobs created per county in 2017, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Maurice Quinlivan. [22776/18]
- *126. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of Local Enterprise Office jobs created per county in 2017, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Maurice Quinlivan. [22777/18]
- *127. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the job creation targets for the IDA, Enterprise Ireland and local enterprise offices in each of the years 2018 to 2022, in tabular form. Maurice Quinlivan. [22779/18]
- *128. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if the necessary funding for the recruitment of additional resources, including two additional full time digital forensic specialists for the Office of the Director of Corporate Enforcement will be provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [22795/18]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

- *129. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) can expect an appointment for orthodontic treatment. Barry Cowen. [22728/18]
- *130. To ask the Minister for Health the location in which blood tests taken in general practice and at Louth County Hospital are analysed. Gerry Adams. [22730/18]
- *131. To ask the Minister for Health the staffing complement in the phlebotomy laboratory at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda; if staff have recently left; and if so, if they will be replaced. Gerry Adams. [22731/18]

- *132. To ask the Minister for Health the circumstances which would impact on the speed at which the venesection unit in Louth Hospital, Dundalk would receive blood test results. Gerry Adams. [22732/18]
- *133. To ask the Minister for Health the number of blood tests that were taken in general practice and at Louth County Hospital, Dundalk in 2017; and the location in which blood tests were analysed. Gerry Adams. [22733/18]
- *134. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and adults on the waiting list for screening appointments with the primary care clinical psychology service in County Louth; and the length of time they have been waiting. Gerry Adams. [22734/18]
- *135. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and adults on the waiting list for initial assessment with the primary care clinical psychology in County Louth; and the length of time they have been waiting. Gerry Adams. [22735/18]
- *136. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and adults on the waiting list for intervention with the primary care clinical psychology in County Louth; and the length of time they have been waiting. Gerry Adams. [22736/18]
- *137. To ask the Minister for Health if additional resources will be provided to address the unacceptable waiting times for orthopaedic appointments in respect of patients triage as urgent in a hospital (details supplied) County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Tom Neville. [22739/18]
- *138. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the removal of the in loco parentis clause in HSE homecare nursing packages in view of the motion which was passed in Dáil Éireann on 27 March 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Moynihan. [22747/18]
- *139. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [22751/18]
- *140. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) at UHW will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mary Butler. [22785/18]
- *141. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the review of autism services which took place in late 2017; when the review will be published; if an implementation plan of actions will be published alongside it; the way in which recommendations and future actions will take account of geographical disparities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [22789/18]
- *142. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department is preparing legislation in relation to a judgement (details supplied) regarding section 15(3) of the Mental Health Act 2001; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [22797/18]
- *143. To ask the Minister for Health when he expects to introduce the more accurate HPV test for cervical cancer screening; if these tests will be carried out in Irish laboratories; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [22798/18]

- *144. To ask the Minister for Health the extent of vacancies currently in MRH Mullingar across each discipline; the length of time each post has been vacant; and the measures underway to fill same. Robert Troy. [22802/18]
- *145. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 136 of 16 May 2018, the discipline and grades of the former staff which have resigned unexpectedly at the Louth County Hospital, Dundalk; and the way in which this has contributed to the delay in the expansion of the minor injuries unit. Gerry Adams. [22803/18]
- *146. To ask the Minister for Health the recruitment initiatives undertaken in order that the minor injuries unit at the Louth County Hospital, Dundalk be appropriately staffed to enable treatment of paediatric patients over five years of age. Gerry Adams. [22804/18]
- *147. To ask the Minister for Health the steps that he has taken to alleviate waiting lists for scans at a hospital (details supplied) for women with a family history of ovarian cancer in particular; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bobby Aylward. [22812/18]
- *148. To ask the Minister for Health if a matter regarding a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [22816/18]
- *149. To ask the Minister for Health if a query by a person (details supplied) in relation to the fair deal scheme will be answered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22846/18]
- *150. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting for a respite placement in disability services in each local health office in tabular form. Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [22853/18]
- *151. To ask the Minister for Health if a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22855/18]
- *152. To ask the Minister for Health his views on reports in relation to the Farrelly Commission that some families at the centre of the scandal are threatening to withdraw their cooperation in view of the adversarial approach being adopted by the Commission. Clare Daly. [22857/18]
- *153. To ask the Minister for Health when the doctor who carries out eye examinations at a clinic (details supplied) will be replaced in view of the fact waiting times are in excess of 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jan O'Sullivan. [22863/18]
- *154. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase resources for suicide prevention services in west Tallaght in view of the large number of deaths due to suicide in the area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [22866/18]
- *155. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22871/18]
- *156. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22874/18]

- *157. To ask the Minister for Health if a home care package allocation for a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Shane Cassells. [22875/18]
- *158. To ask the Minister for Health if a matter raised in correspondence (details supplied) will be addressed; the reason the HSE has not met with the company in question; the position regarding the drug; the reason the HSE has not followed his direction on the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22886/18]

Chun an Aire Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara: To the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

- *159. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress on the elimination of TB in County Wicklow in view of the high incidents of the disease in the west of the county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22726/18]
- *160. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures being taken to ensure there is an adequate fodder supply for farmers in County Wicklow for the 2018/2019 season; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22727/18]
- *161. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a matter regarding the deletion of parcels in the case of a person (detail supplied) will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [22748/18]
- *162. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a BPS payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [22749/18]
- *163. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the impact that the proposed changes to CAP payments will have on the agri-food sector in County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22750/18]
- *164. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position regarding the rules in relation to farm entitlements in instances in which there is an injunction on a deceased person's estate; if it is possible for his Department to transfer entitlements to a person's name in such an instance; if it is possible to seek a change of herd number into another person's name before the probate process is complete without first informing the official herd keeper as appointed through the ER1 process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bobby Aylward. [22783/18]
- *165. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a farm payment appeal by a person (details supplied); if same will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [22808/18]
- *166. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the decision to remove a commonage for eligibility in GLAS and BPS payments can be reversed in view of the fact that the lands are being actively used; the status of the appeal lodged by a number of stakeholders (details supplied) on the commonage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [22854/18]

- Chun an Aire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil: To the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment.
- *167. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when e-fibre broadband is likely to be rolled at a location (details supplied). Thomas Byrne. [22743/18]
- *168. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the progress of rural broadband rollout in County Wicklow by area; the dates on which areas of the county will be connected to high speed broadband by area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22745/18]
- *169. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the preferred ratio of renewable energy sectors to operate here that is the percentage of onshore wind, offshore wind, photovoltaic and so on in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22754/18]
- *170. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he or his Department are coordinating cross-Government responses or plans in relation to the cybersecurity of Government Departments to ensure that there are enough actions taken against a matter which has been described by the FBI in the USA and the NCSC in London as a threat to the safety, security and integrity of the cyber ecosystem. Micheál Martin. [22574/18]
- *171. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to remove the immunity from prosecution provided to the EPA in section 15 of the EPA Act of 1992, as was recommended by the Ombudsman in 2011; his views on whether one of the key weaknesses in the operations of the EPA is its immunity from prosecution (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Willie O'Dea. [22847/18]

Chun an Aire Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt: To the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport.

- *172. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the rules and regulations surrounding drones (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [22759/18]
- *173. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will request the Law Reform Commission to prepare a consolidated piece of legislation on road traffic law; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [22799/18]
- *174. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the State is estimating that the trial alone for the current pensioners of IASS will take up to 12 weeks and has cost nearly €1.5 million already to bring it to this stage; if he will request the SCA to engage in mediation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Clare Daly. [22836/18]
- *175. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that in Limerick Junction railway station's waiting room there is a printed timetable for all services to Limerick, Cork and Dublin and no timetable for the two daily services which originate at the station for Tipperary town, Cahir, Clonmel, Carrick on Suir and Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mattie McGrath. [22738/18]

- *176. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will reopen the public consultation process and arrange a public engagement day for local persons to meet with engineers to discuss route options for a planed TEN-T route (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [22757/18]
- *177. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will reopen the public consultation process and arrange a public engagement day for local persons to meet with engineers to discuss route options for a planned TEN-T route (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [22758/18]
- *178. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the criteria under which sports capital grant applications are assessed; the details of the criteria and the weighting of each category within the criteria; if there is a specific category in the marking of applications for clubs and organisations in RAPID areas; if he will provide additional detail regarding the part of the application process that deals with disadvantaged areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Imelda Munster. [22769/18]
- *179. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the legislative responsibility of each of the various stakeholders that operate in public transport; the mechanism in place for cooperation and coordination; and his views on whether there is a duplication of roles (details supplied). Robert Troy. [22791/18]
- *180. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of the longer 55 meters Luas trams in operation on the Green Line/Cross City Luas; if the seven 55 meters trams which were projected to be rolled out by May 2018 have not yet been rolled out; if so, when he anticipates they will all be in operation; his plans for further increases in the number of trams operating on Luas lines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Martin. [22837/18]

Chun an Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail: To the Minister for Rural and Community Development.

- *181. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the estimated cost in 2019 if the budget for the senior alert scheme was increased by 15%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [22796/18]
- *182. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if a CLÁR grant will issue to a school (details supplied). Robert Troy. [22807/18]
- *183. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he will request Pobal to maintain the current staffing complement at a club (details supplied) in County Kerry until the appraisal of its business plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Tom Neville. [22815/18]

Chun an Aire Gnóthaí Fostaíochta agus Coimirce Sóisialaí: To the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection.

*184. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the actions being taken to protect the defined benefit pension scheme of over 1,000 members (details supplied) on 30 June 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [22864/18]

- *185. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a scheme (details supplied). James Lawless. [22742/18]
- *186. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a scheme (details supplied). James Lawless. [22746/18]
- *187. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progression rates of each job activation programme including JobPath by region in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22761/18]
- *188. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the measures being taken to ensure that community employment schemes are adequately budgeted to meet their obligations in view of the high rise in insurance costs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22762/18]
- *189. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the staffing numbers and roles in each Intreo office in County Wicklow; the number of jobs advisors in each of her Departments offices in County Wicklow; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22763/18]
- *190. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progress to date in the determination of an appeal in the case of a person (details supplied); when a decision will issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22772/18]
- *191. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if assistance is available to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [22773/18]
- *192. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an appeal for a jobseeker's payment by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Robert Troy. [22774/18]
- *193. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her Department has calculated the estimated cost to the State of bogus self-employment per annum; if so, the potential cost per annum; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Maurice Quinlivan. [22786/18]
- *194. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason a person (details supplied) cannot obtain another year on the rural social scheme. Anne Rabbitte. [22805/18]
- *195. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the financial supports in place for unemployed persons eligible and in receipt of jobseeker's allowances to transition into educational opportunities in respect of upskilling for employment for higher level diplomas and other qualifications; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [22814/18]
- *196. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the jobseeker's payment to education sector employees with integrated pension arrangements of which the State Pension (Contributory) forms a component part in the period between a contractually specified retirement date on or around a persons 65th birthday and 66th birthday will continue to be made to those that do not opt to participate in the temporary retention arrangement set out in Department

of Education and Skills circular 0027/2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [22848/18]

Chun an Aire Tithíochta, Pleanála agus Rialtais Áitiúil: To the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government.

- *197. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason for the delay in publishing the wind farm planning guidelines; the reason for the current policy towards onshore industrial size wind farming in sensitive landscapes such as County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22753/18]
- *198. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the report of the expert group on mica published in 2017; if he will respond to a group's (details supplied) invitation to launch the publication of recommendations 1 and 2 in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Pringle. [22737/18]
- *199. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of new voters on the supplementary register by local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eoin Ó Broin. [22760/18]
- *200. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the budget allocated to each local authority house building programme in each year since 2002 in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22775/18]
- *201. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the expenditure on the Rebuilding Ireland website and public relations since its inception in 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat Casey. [22782/18]
- *202. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when he plans for water to be brought to Murrisk and Lecanvey, County Mayo (details supplied); and his further plans to ensure this project is part of Irish Water's capital plan. Lisa Chambers. [22841/18]
- *203. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if it is part of the medium term planning of Irish Water to pipe water from Westport to Louisburgh, County Mayo and to bring clean drinking water to all areas in between. Lisa Chambers. [22842/18]
- *204. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there is a significant backlog in the time taken for An Bord Pleanála to deal with appeals; the average waiting time before appeals are decided; if priority is given to applications that go directly to the Bord; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jan O'Sullivan. [22856/18]

Chun an Aire Cultúir, Oidhreachta agus Gaeltachta: To the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.

*205. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the measures being taken to expand the film industry in the mid-east region in view of the sale of the 32% shareholding in a studio (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [22752/18]

*206. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of Údarás na Gaeltachta jobs created per county in 2017, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [22778/18]

CEISTEANNA, SEACHAS CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH, I gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL DÉARDAOIN, 24 BEALTAINE, 2018 QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL ANSWER ON THURSDAY, 24 MAY, 2018

Chun an Aire Gnó, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta: To the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation.

- 1. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to instruct the Health and Safety Authority to conduct a safety audit of the State's livestock marts in view of the considerable risk to personal safety posed by conditions at many of them. Martin Kenny. [18213/18]
- 2. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of regional IDA site visits and vacant IDA properties nationwide in Q1 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [22862/18]
- 3. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she is taking to bring foreign direct investment to vacant IDA properties (details supplied) in County Cork; and the number of site visits to these properties by prospective clients in 2017 and 2018. Michael Moynihan. [22620/18]
- 4. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the uptake of Brexit be prepared grant supports provided by Enterprise Ireland to date to persons and businesses; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Lisa Chambers. [22877/18]
- 5. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of progress on IDA advanced factory units being constructed in counties Sligo and Leitrim. Eamon Scanlon. [22878/18]
- 6. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new enterprises set up under the aegis of her Department involving indigenous or foreign direct investment in the past twelve months; the quality of the jobs provided; the extent to which it was possible to obtain appropriately qualified staff for such venture; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22810/18]
- 7. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when the second call for collaborative projects under the Regional Enterprise Development Fund will be issued; the amount that will be available for successful projects; if the criteria will be the same as for the first call; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jan O'Sullivan. [22622/18]
- 8. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the contingencies and supports in place to safeguard SMEs and export businesses in Dublin from a hard Brexit scenario; the supports in place to protect them; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John Lahart. [22882/18]

- 9. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if her Department will liaise with the IDA to ensure that additional land may be made available for development in County Wexford; and if she will make a statement on the matter. James Browne. [22625/18]
- 10. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the mechanism by which her Department monitors the achievement of goals under the Regional Action Plans for Jobs; the progress on each of the goals in each region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jan O'Sullivan. [22631/18]
- 11. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the supports in place to safeguard export businesses and Irish small and medium enterprises from a hard Brexit scenario; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [22850/18]
- 12. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if her Department has assessed the impact that United States sanctions on Iran will have on multinational and indigenous companies here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [22756/18]
- 13. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will report on the recent meeting of the Digital 9 EU conference; the key issues discussed at the meeting and the way in which Ireland compares to the other members of the D9 in terms of the digital economy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. James Lawless. [22852/18]
- 14. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the way in which she plans to assist businesses with challenges such as escalating insurance costs and commercial rates; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Maurice Quinlivan. [22844/18]
- 15. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on whether the Innovation 2020 research and development intensity target of 2.5% of GNP will be attained; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [22859/18]
- 16. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on the business survey results (details supplied) carried out recently; her plans for greater diversified funding for small businesses in County Donegal and rural Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Pringle. [19108/18]
- 17. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of the introduction of legislation to enhance the powers of the Personal Injuries Assessment Board in view of the recommendation in the Cost of Motor Insurance Report; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [22860/18]
- 18. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the progress to date with regard to the Action Plan for Jobs for the north west region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Pringle. [19109/18]
- 19. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the contingencies and supports in place to safeguard Irish SMEs and export businesses from a hard Brexit scenario; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [22861/18]
- 20. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if her Department will examine the ongoing failure by NERA and WRC management to secure compensation for underpayments in the social care sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Clare Daly. [22885/18]

- 21. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans for the site in Athenry, County Galway for future foreign direct investment in view of the fact that a company (details supplied) will not proceed with a data centre investment. Anne Rabbitte. [22881/18]
- 22. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on recent changes she made to employment permits for workers from outside the European Economic Area; and her further views on the way in which this will impact on employment here. Thomas P. Broughan. [22890/18]
- 23. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the key measures in the Action Plan on Jobs 2018 for persons with disabilities. Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [22873/18]
- 24. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will report on the uptake of the Brexit loan scheme for Irish businesses in the first two weeks since its launch on 28 March 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [22637/18]
- 25. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to minimise the impact of Brexit in County Donegal; the engagement she has had with the IDA to ensure it secures new investment in the county in view of Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [22627/18]
- 26. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps being taken to reverse competitiveness deficiencies and to make Dublin an attractive location for businesses to locate in; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John Lahart. [22883/18]
- 27. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission will report on the operation of the household waste collection market; her plans to publish the report; if publication can be brought forward as soon as possible; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [22849/18]
- 28. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the progress in achieving more gender balance in funded research under Science Foundation Ireland's Agenda 2020 strategy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jan O'Sullivan. [22623/18]
- 29. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she has had discussions with the Minister for Finance and or on a European level in relation to fair taxation of imported goods that are being purchased over the internet by consumers in direct competition with retailers operating in cities and towns here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jan O'Sullivan. [22624/18]
- 30. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if funding will be provided for Ireland to join CERN in order that significant commercial and research benefits can be obtained from membership of the organisation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. James Lawless. [22851/18]
- 31. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the contingencies and supports in place to protect Irish companies and exporters from a hard Brexit scenario; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Lisa Chambers. [22876/18]
- 32. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the immediate steps being taken to reverse the reputational damage done to Ireland's image as a location for future foreign

direct investment for data centre projects in view of the confirmation that a company (details supplied) will not proceed with a data centre investment in Athenry County Galway. — Billy Kelleher. [22858/18]

- 33. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will report on recent CSO trends in goods exports; the key components of goods exports to date in 2018; and the impact Brexit has had on the latest CSO figures. Thomas P. Broughan. [22889/18]
- 34. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the measures taken by her Department to ensure against breaches of the National Minimum Wage Act 2000 in the hospitality sector; and the further steps she plans to take; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Clare Daly. [22884/18]
- 35. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the conditions that surrounded the sale of the State's stake in a studio (details supplied); the way in which this fits into the strategy in respect of securing Ireland as an attractive location for film production into the future; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Willie Penrose. [20006/18]
- 36. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of enterprises set up in the past twelve months that are deemed to have a high tech employment requirement; the extent to which Ireland remains an attractive location for such enterprises; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [22811/18]
- *37*. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of the vacant IDA property located at Oakfield, County Sligo. Eamon Scanlon. [22879/18]