



## **DÁIL ÉIREANN**

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QUESTIONS**



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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 has spoken to Chancellor Merkel since the last EU Council meeting. — Micheál Martin. [22297/18]
2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the meetings he attended in Sofia, Bulgaria. — Brendan Howlin. [22462/18]
3. To ask the Taoiseach the purpose of his visit to Bulgaria; the meetings he held; and the items he discussed. — Micheál Martin. [22569/18]
4. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the Western Balkans summit in Sofia. — Joan Burton. [22575/18]
5. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Chancellor Merkel since the last EU Council meeting. — Joan Burton. [23419/18]
6. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Chancellor Merkel since the last EU Council meeting. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [23580/18]
7. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the meetings he attended in Sofia, Bulgaria. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [23581/18]
8. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent discussions with the British Prime Minister, Mrs. Theresa May. — Micheál Martin. [22293/18]
9. 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]
10. 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]
11. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his bilateral meeting with Prime Minister May in Sofia. — Brendan Howlin. [22706/18]
12. 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]

13. 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. — Joan Burton. [23418/18]

14. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent discussions with the British Prime Minister, Mrs. Theresa May. — Joan Burton. [23420/18]

15. To ask the Taoiseach if he and Prime Minister May discussed the reconvening of the Northern Ireland Assembly when they met in Sofia. — Micheál Martin. [23439/18]

16. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Prime Minister May since 6 June 2018. — Micheál Martin. [25654/18]

17. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the interdepartmental group being chaired by his Department which is examining threats to the integrity of the electoral process. — Alan Farrell. [23411/18]

18. To ask the Taoiseach the main new risks identified in the 2018 draft national risk assessment compared to the 2017 assessment. — Martin Heydon. [23590/18]

19. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recently published draft national risk assessment 2018. — Mary Lou McDonald. [24673/18]

20. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent engagement with the Prime Minister of Belgium, Mr. Charles Michel. — Mary Lou McDonald. [23615/18]

21. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with the Belgian Prime Minister. — Brendan Howlin. [23789/18]

22. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with Prime Minister Charles Michel of Belgium on 24 May 2018 and his comments on the issues discussed such as Brexit, the proposed new customs partnership with the UK, the future of Europe and international issues. — Micheál Martin. [23791/18]

23. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Prime Minister Sanchez of Spain since his appointment. — Micheál Martin. [25357/18]

24. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with the Belgian Prime Minister with a view on Belgian-Irish relations. — Tom Neville. [25590/18]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his Department's legislative priorities. — Brendan Howlin. [23790/18]

26. To ask the Taoiseach the status of Bills under preparation in his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [24671/18]

27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his Department's legislative priorities. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [25390/18]

28. To ask the Taoiseach the status of the plans for revamping his Department's website. — Micheál Martin. [23795/18]

29. To ask the Taoiseach his plans to update his Department's website. — Mary Lou McDonald. [24672/18]

30. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with Prime Minister Lee Nak-yeon of South Korea and the issues that were discussed. — Micheál Martin. [25354/18]

31. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent conversation with the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Justin Trudeau. — Joan Burton. [25360/18]

32. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with the Prime Minister of South Korea. — Joan Burton. [25362/18]

33. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on his commitment to double Ireland's global footprint. — Micheál Martin. [25355/18]

### **CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY**

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

34. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the steps he is taking to address overcrowding on the public transport system most particularly in cities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [25611/18]

35. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason his Department was unaware of the legal standing of the policy in regard to the mandatory nature of public services cards for those that wish to obtain a driver's licence or theory test; the reason his Department and the Road Safety Authority appear to have had a significantly different understanding of the policy; the way in which approximately €2 million was spent by the Road Safety Authority in making arrangements to implement a policy which was then scrapped; the situation regarding public services cards and obtaining driver licences and driver theory tests; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [25536/18]

36. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to reverse cuts to the cycling budget over the past two years; his further plans to publish a statutory instrument to enact a minimum passing distance; and if the national greenway strategy will be published. — Robert Troy. [25612/18]

37. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the engagement he has had with the Minister for Justice and Equality regarding increases in resources for the Garda traffic corps in particular increases in personnel; and the plans to increase personnel and resources for the traffic corps for budget 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [25537/18]

38. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the payment structure of the Dublin Port Tunnel with particular reference to the fact it disadvantages commuters from the northside in view of the fact the greater cost is born in the morning time for southbound traffic and in the evening time for northbound traffic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [25538/18]

**CEISTEANNA EILE  
OTHER QUESTIONS**

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

39. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the particular concerns of communities throughout the Border region in relation to the adverse impacts Brexit will have on the area and the need to upgrade infrastructure such as the road network to assist businesses to remain competitive (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [25398/18]

40. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the criteria by which his Department designated the Heart of Ireland tourism area. — Barry Cowen. [25415/18]

41. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the completion of the western distributor route. — Eamon Scanlon. [22879/18]

42. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the measures he is taking to increase the number of children and adults that play sports on a regular basis. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [25418/18]

43. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the impediments which exist to the regulation of rickshaws in view of the fact that most other European states have regulated their use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [25253/18]

44. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the necessary upgrading of national and regional roads in the Border region will be prioritised for investment due to the particular economic challenges that will arise for the region following Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [25397/18]

45. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if grants to cover the costs of grassroots football coaching badges similar to Belgium will be offered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [25378/18]

46. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of a new Sports Capital Programme; when it will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [25280/18]

47. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the benefits from the results of the recently published sports monitor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kate O’Connell. [25245/18]

48. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the provision of bus shelters on the main routes connecting Dublin, Cork and Limerick which are required in towns and villages on the route will be prioritised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [24964/18]

49. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the progress of plans to promote areas such as the Lee valley as being near the Wild Atlantic Way; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25282/18]

50. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the specific timelines for the publication of the NTA's integrated implementation plan for the greater Dublin area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [25394/18]

51. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the steps which will be taken with regard to applications that were invalid in the 2017 SCP; when new applicants can expect to apply for funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [25250/18]

52. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the funding that will be made available to allow the construction of the Carrigaline western relief road, County Cork, to proceed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24338/18]

53. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to alleviate congestion on the M50 in the short-term in view of the continuing congestion on the M50 especially at peak times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [25393/18]

54. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to increase visitor numbers from China and Hong Kong in view of the new direct links from Hong Kong and Beijing. — Robert Troy. [25406/18]

55. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the publication of the new national sports policy. — Colm Brophy. [25269/18]

56. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the timeframe for receipt of applications and announcement of successful projects under the €50 million large scale infrastructure fund; and the criteria that will apply for the type of projects that can be received. — Shane Cassells. [25412/18]

57. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of efforts to improve cross-Border tourism; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [25315/18]

58. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the detail of the preparations for the UEFA Euro 2020 tournament; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [25377/18]

59. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the inclusion of persons with disabilities on the boards of public transport companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [25316/18]

60. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the quality assurances he undertakes with the Road Safety Authority to ensure that it is effectively carrying out its requisite duties regarding the administration of surrendered licences of disqualified drivers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24859/18]

61. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when the Irish Maritime Development Office will publish its study into the use of the UK land bridge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [24636/18]

62. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of anti-social incidents that have been recorded on the DART line in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018. — John Lahart. [24334/18]

63. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on concerns of taxi drivers and the costs of car insurance; and his further views on the fact that many taxis are being priced out of the sector which will create a shortfall in services. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [25314/18]

64. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has reflected further on the decision to award Fingal County Council the role of noise monitor for Dublin Airport in view of political and public opposition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [25333/18]

65. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which schools can benefit from the sports capital programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kate O’Connell. [25243/18]

66. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which the recent conference held in Dun Laoghaire on accessible tourism could inform ways to benefit Dublin’s and Ireland’s tourism industry; the follow-up action taken in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maria Bailey. [25317/18]

67. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the options his Department is considering to manage traffic capacity issues on the M50; if the introduction of additional tolling is the preferred option; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [25252/18]

68. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of commitments to increase the frequency of the DART through the Phoenix Park tunnel to every 10 minutes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [25407/18]

69. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the progress of the A5; the details of his engagement with his counterpart in Northern Ireland on the project; the funding that will be made available for the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25395/18]

70. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the progress of the primary legislation necessary to give effect to EU Regulation 598/2014. — Clare Daly. [25030/18]

71. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will consider a feasibility study for the provision of a segregated cycle lane to be constructed with the MetroLink project in the interests of increasing green and sustainable transport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [25334/18]

72. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will meet directly with representatives of the trade unions with a view to establishing a forum to agree a framework for discussion of the ongoing expansion of the transport system that gives certainty to transport workers. — Clare Daly. [25032/18]

73. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the position regarding plans for the development of the railway line in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [25103/18]

74. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the position regarding the opening of the 2018 Sports Capital Programme. — Colm Brophy. [25268/18]



75. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the progress of the Bus Éireann review of services in the Ballincollig area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25283/18]

76. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his priority legislation for the remainder of this session of Dáil Éireann and the first session after the summer recess. — Dara Calleary. [25409/18]

77. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to amend section 15 of the Taxi Regulation Act 2013 to make it mandatory for holders of small public service vehicle licences to nominate a person to inherit their licence in the event of the death of the licence holder; the other options that would ensure that small public service vehicle licences will be inherited in the event of the death of the licence holder; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [25251/18]

78. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of and proposed timeline for the development of the DART interconnector between Heuston Station and Spencer Dock. — Catherine Martin. [25399/18]

79. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which efforts to promote the daily mile in schools are progressing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maria Bailey. [25318/18]

80. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the Shannon greenway proposal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [25207/18]

81. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans in 2018 to further promote and enhance Ireland's Ancient East as a tourist destination for visitors from at home and abroad; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [25281/18]

82. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the capital funding awarded to sports clubs in County Offaly since 2011 under the sports capital programme; when the next sports capital programme will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [25248/18]

83. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the number of bus routes that are privatised will not be increased in excess of the current 10%. — Robert Troy. [25403/18]

84. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that in Estonia there are plans to make public transport free at the point of use (details supplied); and if his Department will conduct a cost-benefit analysis to carry out same here. — Mick Barry. [25392/18]

85. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if funding will be provided for bus shelters in Borris-in-Ossory, Castletown, Mountrath, Ballybrittas, Newtown and Ballylinan, County Laois which are vitally required; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [24965/18]

86. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the forthcoming greenway strategy will inform on the best way to undertake expanding the Great Southern Greenway; if he

will discuss the matter further with officials of Limerick City and County Council further to his previous meetings with the officials; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [25337/18]

87. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of anti-social incidents that have been reported on the Luas Green Line and Red Line in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — John Lahart. [24340/18]

88. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if funding for the extension of the M3 motorway to Cavan town, the N2 to motorway in County Monaghan and the east west link will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24501/18]

89. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the review of the Air Navigation (Carriage of Munitions of War, Weapons and Dangerous Goods) Order 1973 which was commenced more than a year ago. — Clare Daly. [25029/18]

90. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if cuts to the cycling budget over the past two years will be revised; if a statutory instrument for placing a minimum passing distance on a legislative basis will be published; and if he will publish the national greenway strategy. — Robert Troy. [25404/18]

91. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the tourism potential in expanding the Great Southern Greenway; if he will visit the greenway to view possible expansion options and discuss the matter with officials of Limerick City and County Council and cycle part of the trail; his further views on whether this would be a helpful exercise in the context of finalising the greenway strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [25338/18]

92. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the timeline for the transfer of Dun Laoghaire Harbour Company to Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [25417/18]

93. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the position regarding the release of information contained in two databases (details supplied) to potential new entrants to the Irish insurance market to encourage free and fair competition with new entrants able to enter and compete in the market here on a level playing field with existing market players; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [24967/18]

94. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt an bhfuil sé chun gach iarracht a dhéanamh a chinntiú nach gcuirfidh forbairt Metrolink isteach ar fhorbairt Scoil Mobhí agus Scoil Chaitríona i nGlas Naíon, ná ar an bpobal Gaeilge timpeall orthu; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [24335/18]

95. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of plans made by Bus Éireann to the NTA to improve bus services (details supplied) in County Cork. — Michael McGrath. [24339/18]

96. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when a request for expressions of interest in the large scale projects under the Sports Capital Programme will be issued. — Peter Burke. [25205/18]

97. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to ensure equality between men and women in sport in view of the fact no woman appeared on the recently published report on 100 top sport earners. — Robert Troy. [25405/18]

98. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which the Hidden Heartlands experience will be developed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [25204/18]

99. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the Bonagee link road project in County Donegal; when the project will commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25396/18]

100. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the transfer of Dun Laoghaire Harbour Company to Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [25416/18]

101. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will report on the consultative process with residents and affected stakeholders along the initially proposed MetroLink line in Dublin 7; his views on concerns raised; his plans to recommend an alternative route to the one proposed to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [25313/18]

102. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport further to Parliamentary Question No. 202 of 30 May 2018, if the section 32 examination of the performance by the IAA of its functions in so far as they relate to the application and enforcement of technical and safety standards in relation to aircraft and air navigation will be complete before the end of 2018 in view of the fact that the public tendering process to appoint the entity to conduct this examination has not yet commenced. — Clare Daly. [25028/18]

103. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the proposed cycle route along the seafront from Sandymount to Dun Laoghaire as part of the proposed Sutton to Sandycove route; and if the project will be allocated capital funding from the €110 million allocated for new urban cycling routes in the four year enhanced capital envelope outlined in budget 2018. — Eamon Ryan. [25401/18]

104. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he will consider a further tranche of major and minor capital sports grants to include swimming pools and other categories previously unable to qualify for various reasons; if he has examined the extent to which groups failed to qualify in the past with a view to addressing issues which may facilitate them in the future; if he will identify areas throughout the country to which special consideration may be provided on socio-economic grounds in both urban or rural settings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25323/18]

105. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if different route alignments on the MetroLink proposal project that is in public consultation at the moment will be considered including a spur to Rathfarnham and alternative approaches to the upgrading of the Green Line to metro status. — Eamon Ryan. [25402/18]

106. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on tourism potential in County Carlow following his recent visit and funding announcements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [25249/18]

107. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans for a third terminal in Dublin Airport; if he will reference rumours that such a terminal would be built on the western boundary of the airport in the vicinity of St. Margaret's village; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [25335/18]

108. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the modal share targets set out in the smarter travel A Sustainable Transport Future, A New Transport Policy for Ireland 2009-2020 will be met; and the details of new modal share targets his Department may have in place. — Catherine Martin. [25400/18]

109. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a risk analysis has been conducted in regard to potential infringement proceedings being launched by the European Commission against Ireland in relation to the appointment of Fingal County Council as the competent authority with regard to the process to be followed when adopting noise related operating restrictions in view of the fact that per Article 3 of Regulation 598/2014 (details supplied) competent authorities must be independent of organisations which could be affected by noise related action. — Clare Daly. [25031/18]

110. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the effectiveness of the Wonders of the Wild Atlantic Way marketing campaign; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [25206/18]

111. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which he plans to improve the surrendering of licences from disqualified drivers to the Road Safety Authority in view of the fact that just 1,289 of the 9,449 drivers disqualified in court in 2017 surrendered their licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24858/18]

112. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which investment in tourist infrastructure will continue with a view to ensuring maximisation of Ireland's impact on the tourism market, availing of every opportunity to bring tourists here with consequent economic benefit and promotion of Irish culture and heritage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25324/18]

113. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the position regarding the progress of the proposed overbridge at the N24 Piltown bypass at Tower Road; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [24966/18]

114. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to alleviate the delays and service cancellations affecting Dublin Bus services as a result of traffic congestion and the operation of the Luas cross city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [25410/18]

115. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will report on his comments at the recent public transport roundtable event regarding the possibility of an employee share ownership scheme being introduced in the CIÉ group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [25391/18]

116. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to invest in the Rosslare to Dublin rail line in order to improve line speed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [24635/18]

117. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the impact the draft regional spatial and economic strategy for the eastern and midland area which sets out restrictive population numbers for County Meath will have on the completion of the second phase of the Navan to Dublin rail line project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [25413/18]

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**CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA**  
**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

*Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.*

\*118. To ask the Taoiseach the percentage of the workforce employed in temporary, part-time, non-permanent, contract, banded hours and zero-hours contracts and other non-permanent employment; and the number in non-permanent employment since 2015, in tabular form. — John Lahart. [25583/18]

\*119. To ask the Taoiseach the number of Cabinet committees he held in May 2018. — Micheál Martin. [25359/18]

\*120. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken collectively or on an individual basis with EU leaders since the most recent European Summit. — Micheál Martin. [25656/18]

\*121. To ask the Taoiseach if he has written to or spoken with the Hungarian Prime Minister, Mr. Viktor Orbán recently. — Micheál Martin. [24561/18]

\*122. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to the Prime Minister of Italy since his appointment. — Micheál Martin. [24562/18]

\*123. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Prime Minister May recently in regard to the forthcoming June EU Council meeting. — Micheál Martin. [24565/18]

\*124. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Prime Minister May regarding Northern Ireland in May 2018. — Micheál Martin. [24567/18]

\*125. To ask the Taoiseach if his attention was drawn to Freedom of Information documents on the Strategic Communications Unit being released on 25 May 2018. — Micheál Martin. [24568/18]

\*126. To ask the Taoiseach the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department. — Micheál Martin. [24581/18]

\*127. To ask the Taoiseach the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced. — Mattie McGrath. [25185/18]

\*128. To ask the Taoiseach his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25578/18]

\*129. To ask the Taoiseach the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form. — Michael McGrath. [25736/18]

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

\*130. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to remove the additional pay scales for privates that did not exist in the past and were introduced under the Haddington Road Agreement. — Thomas Byrne. [24280/18]

\*131. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to change contract duration terms to six year terms to coincide with the move from the old pension terms, that is, 21 year and 31 year to the 30 year pension cycle. — Thomas Byrne. [24281/18]

\*132. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to improve the duty money rate and the payment system to ensure persons are paid in seven working days. — Thomas Byrne. [24282/18]

\*133. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to increase aircraft technician tech pay to coincide with developments in aircraft technology. — Thomas Byrne. [24283/18]

\*134. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to introduce changes for aircraft apprentices in both pay and rank to increase the attractiveness of the position. — Thomas Byrne. [24284/18]

\*135. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to stop welfare deductions from soldiers' pay; and the services listed in DFR S3 from the Defence Forces budget in accordance with the Payment of Wages Act 1991. — Thomas Byrne. [24285/18]

\*136. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to apply the Organisation of Working Time Act 1997 allowing persons to have flexible working hours; and his further plans to introduce online learning to reduce the number of persons on courses or on overseas preparation that can then be available to support flexibility and reduce duties to 12 hour shifts. — Thomas Byrne. [24286/18]

\*137. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to cease issuing the green book, the LA 89 and replace it with an electronic CV and presidential letter of commendation. — Thomas Byrne. [24287/18]

\*138. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to cease medical downgrading of persons of over 40 years of age (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [24288/18]

\*139. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to cease compulsory medical examination for persons of over 40 years of age (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [24289/18]

\*140. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the reason for the delayed Air Corps member's duty and ration payment issuing on time for the past three months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24476/18]

\*141. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24574/18]

\*142. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the consideration that has been given to making an annual financial contribution towards military veterans' organisations such as an



organisation (details supplied) that provides help and support to former soldiers. — Mary Lou McDonald. [24706/18]

\*143. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the starting salary and relevant expenses and conditions for serving soldiers; and the way in which it compares to living wage standards. — Mary Lou McDonald. [24707/18]

\*144. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the provision made for former soldiers that find themselves homeless after leaving the Army. — Mary Lou McDonald. [24708/18]

\*145. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25175/18]

\*146. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25568/18]

\*147. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence when the new Naval Service ship George Bernard Shaw will arrive into the fleet; the estimated cost of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25598/18]

\*148. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25730/18]

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

\*149. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if recent developments and loss of life on the Israel and Palestine border will be discussed at the June 2018 EU Council meeting. — Micheál Martin. [24564/18]

\*150. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will be requesting for the Israel/Palestine issue to be placed on the agenda of the June 2018 EU Council meeting. — Micheál Martin. [25652/18]

\*151. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the €3.5 million allocated to Article 50 negotiations as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €3.5 million allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24320/18]

\*152. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the €2 million allocated to deepening Ireland's global footprint as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €2 million allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24321/18]

\*153. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the €1.5 million allocated to passport service and consular operational costs as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €1.5 million allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24322/18]

\*154. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the €13 million allocated to overseas development assistance as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €13 million allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24323/18]

\*155. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on the recent EU Foreign Affairs Council meeting in particular discussions on the Middle East conflict; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24342/18]

\*156. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of passports issued in each of the years 2014 to 2017 and to date in 2018; the number of passport applicants from Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the same years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24343/18]

\*157. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the target time for issuing passports across all services; the actual time for issuing passports across services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24344/18]

\*158. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the political situation in Italy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24345/18]

\*159. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps he will take to ensure that aid is properly managed in Syria and reaches those most in need in view of the fact that Ireland will lead the international donor group which supports the work of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24352/18]

\*160. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps he is taking to ensure that sanctions against Syria are fully enforced and not bypassed by the Assad regime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24353/18]

\*161. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the safeguards in place to ensure that aid from Ireland to Syria is properly used and is going to its intended targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24354/18]

\*162. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps being taken at national, EU and international level to ensure that the perpetrators of war crimes in Syria are brought to justice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24355/18]

\*163. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of new applications and renewal applications for Irish passports that have come from Northern Ireland since 1 January 2018; and the number of these applications that are being processed in the system. — Gerry Adams. [24490/18]

\*164. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the system through which elected representatives can communicate with the Passport Office; and his plans to review this system to better improve it. — Gerry Adams. [24491/18]

\*165. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the consideration he is giving to the need for a new and dedicated passport service located in Northern Ireland. — Gerry Adams. [24492/18]



\*166. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the correct procedure to be followed by a person (details supplied) whose passport expires in July 2018 but who reaches 18 years of age in November 2018; if an adult passport is the correct passport to be applied for in this instance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24534/18]

\*167. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24576/18]

\*168. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on Israel's rejection of the UN and EU calls for an independent inquiry into the recent atrocities in Gaza; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24674/18]

\*169. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has formally made known his views to the US administration on the decision to relocate its embassy to Jerusalem; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24675/18]

\*170. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the situation in Yemen; the efforts being made by the EU in regard to the conflict and the humanitarian situation there; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24676/18]

\*171. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on recent efforts to restore the executive in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24677/18]

\*172. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has or is considering the prospect of reopening the embassy in Tehran particularly in view of the plan to double Ireland's global footprint; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24678/18]

\*173. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps and actions that have been taken since the publication of the report on challenges being faced by returning Irish emigrants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24679/18]

\*174. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade is he is satisfied that the Passport Office has sufficient resources to deal with the peak in demand during the summer months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [24851/18]

\*175. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the guidelines and timeframe for withdrawing an active passport application at an appointment in the Passport Office; the documentation required when submitting the new or duplicate application at the time of appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24974/18]

\*176. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the supports available for second level schools that are promoting the option of second level education for international students here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick O'Donovan. [25062/18]

\*177. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of passport applications processed by the Dublin passport office in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25151/18]

\*178. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of whole-time equivalent staff working in the Dublin passport office in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25152/18]

\*179. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the annual pay bill for the Dublin passport office in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25153/18]

\*180. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of passport applications processed by the Cork passport office in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25155/18]

\*181. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of whole-time equivalent staff working in the Cork passport office in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25156/18]

\*182. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the annual pay bill for the Cork passport office in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25157/18]

\*183. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25179/18]

\*184. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of passport applications received from applicants with an address in Northern Ireland in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25190/18]

\*185. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25572/18]

\*186. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his plans to increase the number of post offices in the UK that accept express applications for Irish passport applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25661/18]

\*187. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his plans to have a bilateral meeting with the US Secretary of State, Mr. Mike Pompeo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25662/18]

\*188. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25733/18]

*Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.*

\*189. To ask the Minister for Finance if the case of a person (details supplied) will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24264/18]

\*190. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason all persons with a registered disability that have mobility issues are not classified equally when it comes to eligibility for reductions in taxation in

respect of their purchase of vehicles which are required for their transport (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24641/18]

\*191. To ask the Minister for Finance the protection in place for persons that want to restructure their mortgage in order that they can keep their family home (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [24683/18]

\*192. To ask the Minister for Finance the way in which his Department has used the moneys the State received from the sale of its stake in Aer Lingus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24941/18]

\*193. To ask the Minister for Finance the plans of NAMA in relation to a property (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25091/18]

\*194. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will request NAMA to bring a property (details supplied) and its garden areas under control; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25092/18]

\*195. To ask the Minister for Finance if a proposal (details supplied) will be costed. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25589/18]

\*196. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress of the Cost of Insurance Working Group; when it is likely to report; the status of recommendations it may make; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [24241/18]

\*197. To ask the Minister for Finance when measures will be commenced involving a reduction in stamp duty to 1% in respect of the purchase of agricultural land which is purchased for farm consolidation purposes; the relevant dates for these transactions to have taken place to be eligible for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24249/18]

\*198. To ask the Minister for Finance the party that benefits from interest or other payments accrued while a company's (details supplied) funds are on deposit in an escrow account following the European Commission ruling on the matter and subsequent transfer of funds; and if studies have been carried out on the payments and costs which would be accrued in both holding and managing the funds. — Noel Rock. [24261/18]

\*199. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to situations in which insurance companies are pursuing claimants or plaintiffs for their High Court and or Court of Appeal costs even when the claim is successful; if the Central Bank has a regulatory role in relation to the pursuit of legal costs by insurance companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24358/18]

\*200. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on tax relief for pension contributions; when his Department's working group on this issue will report to Dáil Éireann; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24388/18]

\*201. To ask the Minister for Finance the rationale for the taxation of maternity benefit; his views on whether the taxation creates an unfair burden on single income households in which a new mother has ceased working in order to spend time with her child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24474/18]

\*202. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to increase the rate of carbon tax in the upcoming budget; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [24487/18]

\*203. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of carbon tax collected each year since its introduction in 2010; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [24488/18]

\*204. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the Central Bank's investigation into an agency (details supplied); if the investigation has been completed; if not, when it will be completed; if so, the outcomes of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24540/18]

\*205. To ask the Minister for Finance the effect the political issues in Italy have had on Irish sovereign bond yields; if a risk analysis has been undertaken by his Department in relation to financial issues arising from the political environment in Italy; the way in which Ireland is exposed to a potential financial crisis in Italy; if this has been discussed at the recent Economic and Financial Affairs Council meeting; the decisions that were made to mitigate the risks of the situation in Italy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24543/18]

\*206. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24575/18]

\*207. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to revise the rules allowing retired persons withdrawing their remaining retirement fund but are unable to do so due to the requirement to have additional income of €12,700; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24602/18]

\*208. To ask the Minister for Finance if a retired person can be exempt on medical grounds from the rules precluding them from withdrawing in full their retirement fund due to the requirement placed on them to have €12,700 additional income; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24603/18]

\*209. To ask the Minister for Finance if all staff will be transferred to the National Shared Services Office in view of the transfer of his Department's functions in Tullamore back to Dublin; if staff expressing an interest in being transferred to the Department of Education and Skills or other Departments will be facilitated in circumstances in which a vacancy exists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [24615/18]

\*210. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated annual losses to the Exchequer which result from retailer VAT reclaims owing to below invoice cost selling of alcohol; the estimated losses to the Exchequer since the repeal of the groceries order in 2006 relating to below invoice cost selling of alcohol; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24618/18]

\*211. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 180 of 29 May 2018, the annual tax cost of the tax relief on professional membership fees before the changes made in 2011; the annual tax cost of the relief on professional membership fees after 2011; the amount of a tax revenue saving that resulted from the 2011 changes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24649/18]

\*212. To ask the Minister for Finance if a provision will be considered whereby a specific industry (details supplied) can reclaim VAT paid on certain products. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [24651/18]

\*213. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding bank accounts closures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [24765/18]

\*214. To ask the Minister for Finance the definition of first-time buyer used by the Central Bank and the Revenue Commissioners, respectively. — Michael McGrath. [24791/18]

\*215. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason the Central Bank deems a returning emigrant that never owned a residential property here but did abroad for a period of time as a non-first-time buyer; his views on whether this classification is unfair; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24792/18]

\*216. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will address a matter regarding the sale of a property (details supplied). — Jackie Cahill. [24837/18]

\*217. To ask the Minister for Finance if a person that is taking part in a community employment scheme must pay the universal social charge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [24840/18]

\*218. To ask the Minister for Finance if the setting up of the national database to track insurance claims to develop an understanding of the way in which the cost of claims is affecting motor insurance premiums will be fast tracked in view of the high cost of motor insurance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [24850/18]

\*219. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman is permitted to receive and consider complaints from persons that are of the view they were mis-sold payment protection insurance prior to the six year limit prior to July 2007, that is, the scope covered by the Central Bank’s review and prior to 2002 since the enactment of the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman Act 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24855/18]

\*220. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of income tax paid by persons aged over 65 years of age in each of the years 2015 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24873/18]

\*221. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of income tax paid in respect of occupational and other non-social protection pensions in each of the years 2015 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24874/18]

\*222. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of income tax paid in respect of social protection pensions in each of the years 2015 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24875/18]

\*223. To ask the Minister for Finance if under current legislation it is possible for a local authority to secure a banking licence to enable it to raise funds for the purpose of issuing mortgages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [24888/18]

\*224. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to difficulties musicians face in obtaining commercial motor insurance (details supplied); his plans to address this matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [24890/18]

\*225. To ask the Minister for Finance the position in relation to the application of a reduced rate of stamp duty on certain farm consolidation transactions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24971/18]

\*226. To ask the Minister for Finance the maximum age that a borrower can be scheduled to have normal repayments in relation to the duration of a mortgage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24986/18]

\*227. To ask the Minister for Finance when the legislation which will permit the compensation of victims arising from road traffic accidents which involved vehicles which were insured with a company (details supplied) will be brought before Dáil Éireann; if same can be expedited in the context that such accident victims to date are only receiving 65% of their due compensation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [24994/18]

\*228. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on insurance companies charging extra to HSE first responders; if there is a regulatory prohibition of such a practice; if there are tax incentives or reliefs for first responders for the role they play; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25035/18]

\*229. To ask the Minister for Finance the position regarding customers that were undercharged mortgages in 2013 by a bank (detail supplied); if the Central Bank formally investigated the bank in relation to the issue; the number of mortgage accounts affected; the outcome of the resolution of these cases; the number of these cases that are with the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25089/18]

\*230. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on situations in which investors using a stockbroker service are left exposed if that stockbroker goes into liquidation; if there is an equivalent to the financial services compensation scheme in the UK; if so, the parameters of such a scheme; the way in which it works vis-à-vis the liquidation process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25090/18]

\*231. To ask the Minister for Finance the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25178/18]

\*232. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason customs officials are continuing to seize vehicles which have been outlined in a ruling, namely leased and borrowed vehicles from outside the State when the State has still not acted in accordance with the ruling by the ECJ to amend its laws and systems for applying vehicle registration tax in the State following the ruling in September 2017 that Ireland is in breach of its obligations under Article 56 of the TFEU; the reason there has been no change of legislation in accordance with the ruling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [25218/18]

\*233. To ask the Minister for Finance the regulatory approach to hire purchase agreements; the role of different authorities in this regard; the application of the Consumer Protection Code in this context; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25241/18]



\*234. To ask the Minister for Finance the discussions his Department or the Central Bank has had with their British counterparts regarding the sale of a bank (details supplied) in view of the implications for another bank; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [25255/18]

\*235. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to reintroduce the windfall gain tax on rezoned lands abolished in budget 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25264/18]

\*236. To ask the Minister for Finance the steps being taken to introduce a financial transactions tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25265/18]

\*237. To ask the Minister for Finance the basis on which a bank can cease providing banking services to a business; the opportunity such a business has to contest such a decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [25375/18]

\*238. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to lower the local property tax for senior citizens in budget 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25498/18]

\*239. To ask the Minister for Finance his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25571/18]

\*240. To ask the Minister for Finance the VAT payments received for each month from January to May 2016, 2017 and 2018 in addition to a summary of refunds under headings (details supplied). — Joan Burton. [25625/18]

\*241. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will request the Revenue Commissioners to carry out an immediate audit of a company (details supplied) and to transmit by way of a spontaneous exchange of information under Article 9 of Council Directive 2011/16/EU to the tax authorities of all other member states details of the properties rented in their countries through the platform; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25626/18]

\*242. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will request the Revenue Commissioners to carry out an immediate audit of a company (details supplied) and to transmit by way of a spontaneous exchange of information under Article 9 of Council Directive 2011/16/EU to the tax authorities of all other member states details of residents of those states selling goods through this platform; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25627/18]

\*243. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will request the Revenue Commissioners to carry out an immediate audit of a company (details supplied) and to transmit by way of a spontaneous exchange of information under Article 9 of Council Directive 2011/16/EU to the tax authorities of all other member states details of residents of those states advertising through the platform; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25628/18]

\*244. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will request the Revenue Commissioners to carry out an immediate audit of a company (details supplied) and to transmit by way of a spontaneous exchange of information under Article 9 of Council Directive 2011/16/EU to the tax authorities of all other member states details of residents of those states advertising through the platform; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25629/18]

\*245. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of times the Revenue Commissioners provided spontaneous exchanges of information under Article 9 of Council Directive 2011/16/EU to the tax authorities of other member states in 2017 and in the first five months of 2018; the number of persons concerned by country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25630/18]

\*246. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of notifications received by the Revenue Commissioners from other tax authorities of recipients of pensions from other EU member states resident here in 2017 and to date in 2018 under headings (details supplied) by country, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25631/18]

\*247. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of taxpayers that declared foreign social security pensions, foreign occupational pensions or other foreign pensions in their tax returns in each of the years 2013 to 2016, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25632/18]

\*248. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of additional customs officers that will be required to deal with the issues arising from the UK's imminent departure from the EU; the number that have been recruited to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25633/18]

\*249. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Revenue Commissioners considered the need to arm customs officers that will be stationed on the land Border with the United Kingdom when the UK leaves the EU; his views on the implied threat from certain politicians in the UK and Northern Ireland to customs posts and by implication to Irish customs officers; and his further views on whether the arming of Customs Officers for their own safety may be necessary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25634/18]

\*250. To ask the Minister for Finance if there are provisions or exemptions whereby persons that had a share in a house previously and have since been divorced and are now seeking to buy a first time house on their own can be included in the help-to-buy scheme; if these criteria are consistent with the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25644/18]

\*251. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated additional revenue that would be generated if the local property tax rate of 0.25% was increased to 0.40% for houses valued at over €1 million; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25665/18]

\*252. To ask the Minister for Finance the value of assets purchased each year from Irish financial institutions by either the Central Bank or other Eurozone central banks including the European Central Bank as part of the ECB asset purchase programme; the value of those assets that were Irish Government bonds; the value of Irish Government bonds held by the Central Bank or other Eurozone central banks as part of the ECB asset purchase programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25713/18]

\*253. To ask the Minister for Finance the value of Irish bank bonds purchased each year by the Central Bank or other Eurozone central banks including the European Central Bank as part of the ECB's asset purchase programme; the value of those Irish bank bonds held on the balance sheets of the Central Bank and other Eurozone central banks as part of the ECB's asset purchase programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25714/18]



\*254. To ask the Minister for Finance if consultation has taken place with the European Commission in relation to the rules regarding the statistical treatment of the rainy day fund; if a decision has been made by the Commission in that regard; if a decision by the Commission is imminent in that regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25715/18]

\*255. To ask the Minister for Finance the number and value of medical claims settled by the State Claims Agency in each year since 2010 whereby the claim was either fully or partially recouped by the Agency from professional indemnity for individual clinicians; the value recouped in each year since 2010 from professional indemnity for individual clinicians; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25717/18]

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

\*256. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the response to the clerical officer competition on publicjobs.ie earlier in 2018; the number of positions filled from the panel; the position of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24238/18]

\*257. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the engagement the Office of Public Works has had regarding a building (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [24252/18]

\*258. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of works for a Garda station (details supplied); the completion date for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24521/18]

\*259. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he has spoken to his other EU colleagues regarding the EU cohesion funds recently. — Micheál Martin. [24566/18]

\*260. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his views on whether the inflexibility of State contracts in the face of substantial increases in input costs means construction companies may now be forced out of business or to abandon ongoing public sector projects. — Danny Healy-Rae. [24774/18]

\*261. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the outstanding claim by community employment supervisors and assistant supervisors on their pension ex-gratia claim; the progress being made on the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [24975/18]

\*262. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the annual rental cost for the Dublin passport office building in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25154/18]

\*263. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the annual rental cost for the Cork passport office building in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25158/18]

\*264. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if river levels at a location (details supplied) will be investigated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24267/18]

\*265. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to the introduction of the new sectoral employment order (SEO) for the construction sector on 19 October 2017, if State contracts signed by companies following a successful public tender award in which the previous SEO was in place and the project costs built into such contracts as a result have to be re-examined following the new SEO; if changes to labour rates of pay are now applicable; if his Department has been contacted by companies in this regard; and the impact this may have on small businesses. — Billy Kelleher. [24333/18]

\*266. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of public and civil service workers whose pension entitlements are subject to convergence criteria, that is, whose workplace pensions are reduced when they reach the State retirement age. — Bríd Smith. [24432/18]

\*267. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount by which public and civil service workers' pensions subject to convergence have been reduced in each of the years since 2010. — Bríd Smith. [24433/18]

\*268. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the public service superannuation (miscellaneous provisions) (amendment) Bill; when it will be published and introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [24451/18]

\*269. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24580/18]

\*270. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position in relation to a flood protection scheme (details supplied) in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [24595/18]

\*271. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position in relation to a flood protection scheme (details supplied) in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [24596/18]

\*272. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position in relation to a flood protection scheme (details supplied) in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [24597/18]

\*273. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of public servants that will reach retirement age before the end of 2022, by profession; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [24631/18]

\*274. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of public servants that have retired in each year since 2007; the professional occupation of each at the time of retirement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [24632/18]

\*275. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when legislation which will permit persons in the public service that have reached retirement age to continue working and

accrue benefits will be brought before Dáil Éireann; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [24991/18]

\*276. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25034/18]

\*277. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of residential properties owned by the Office of Public Works in the Phoenix Park that are vacant; the plans of the OPW to have such properties occupied; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [25136/18]

\*278. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25183/18]

\*279. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 216, 217, 218 and 219 of 29 May 2018, if a matter (details supplied) will be addressed regarding the calculation of the cost of equalising pay. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25191/18]

\*280. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when proposed works (details supplied) will be carried out; if the contractor has been contacted and asked to give a date for the proposed works to be done; and if contact has not been made with the contractor, if contact will be made with them with immediate effect. — Tom Neville. [25219/18]

\*281. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position in relation to the retirement lump sum for public servants retiring after March 2019; the details of changes in the calculation of the lump sum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25254/18]

\*282. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if an official from his Department will be appointed to engage with a person (details supplied) to negotiate an agreement regarding the way in which there can be an agreed access to their land for flood relief works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25263/18]

\*283. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25576/18]

\*284. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the gross voted current expenditure in each year since 2010; the annual percentage increase or decrease in each year; the gross voted capital expenditure in each year since 2010; the annual percentage increase or decrease in each year in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25716/18]

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

\*285. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he is in receipt of email correspondence sent to him by a person (details supplied) in County Donegal regarding the issue of release day allocations for teaching principals in addition to the remunerations and workload of such post holders; when the person can expect to receive a response; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [24245/18]

\*286. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the issue of principal release days and the way it is calculated as expressed in correspondence by a school (details supplied) in County Donegal will be prioritised; if greater resources will be allocated to teachers and schools as part of budget 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [24246/18]

\*287. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if additional capitation funding will be provided for a school (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [24263/18]

\*288. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when he envisages the extension of the qualifying criteria for the paying of fees to third level education institutions for returning Irish masters and doctoral students as per the initiative announced by his predecessor on 17 March 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [24276/18]

\*289. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he has met with the Minister for Health to discuss installing defibrillators in schools here; if so, the date the meeting took place; the outcomes arising from the meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [24293/18]

\*290. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €29 million allocated to special needs as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24298/18]

\*291. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €5.5 million allocated to special education teaching posts as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24299/18]

\*292. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €5 million allocated to curriculum reform as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24300/18]

\*293. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €4.5 million allocated to the reduction in staffing schedule at primary level as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocated amount that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24301/18]

\*294. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €2.5 million allocated to the ten additional NEPS psychologists and new pilot scheme for in school speech and language therapists as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24302/18]

\*295. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €1.5 million allocated to DEIS as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocated funding that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24303/18]

\*296. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €2 million allocated to creating 100 new posts for career guidance and strengthening school leadership as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation which has been spent; the number of posts that have been created and filled; the way in which the funds spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24304/18]

\*297. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €1 million allocated to the Irish language as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24305/18]

\*298. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €4.5 million allocated to foreign languages, STEM school policy and digital learning programmes for schools as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24306/18]

\*299. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €1 million allocated to creative Ireland as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24307/18]

\*300. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €37 million allocated to the National Training Fund for the Higher Education provision of relevance to employers as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent from the National Training Fund; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24308/18]

\*301. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €38 million allocated to apprenticeships and traineeships as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the number of apprenticeship and traineeship positions that have been created and filled; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24309/18]

\*302. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €19 million allocated to the National Training Fund for the funding of apprenticeships and skills as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent from the National Training Fund; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24310/18]

\*303. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €3 million allocated to Springboard as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24311/18]

\*304. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €3.5 million allocated to Skillnets as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24312/18]

\*305. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €1 million allocated to new expenditure on regional upskilling and reskilling as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of

the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24313/18]

\*306. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €20 million allocated to the school building programme as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24314/18]

\*307. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the €8 million allocated to equipment and fit-out costs associated with the expansion of apprenticeship programmes as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds were spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24315/18]

\*308. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of NEPs recruited since May 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24326/18]

\*309. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of primary and secondary school teachers that have completed SafeTalk and ASIST courses respectively since May 2016; the provisions in place to support teachers to partake in these courses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24327/18]

\*310. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of his plans for the establishment of an Educate Together school in Westport; the steps which have been taken to date to establish the school; and the proposed date for the school to open. — Lisa Chambers. [24332/18]

\*311. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the level of the remote area grant; the occasion on which it was last increased; his plans to increase it for the 2018/2019 school year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [24341/18]

\*312. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps and actions he is taking to address the ongoing difficulty for schools to obtain substitute teachers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [24383/18]

\*313. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if funding is available for schools or other organisations to provide safer social media alternatives to children and young persons. — Timmy Dooley. [24385/18]

\*314. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 313 of 7 November 2017, the status of his plans to establish an Educate Together school in Leixlip; his further plans to establish more Educate Together schools in north and south County Kildare, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24399/18]

\*315. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of restoring higher education grant thresholds to pre-budget 2011 rates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24425/18]

\*316. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the special needs assistants provided to an organisation (details supplied) can be maintained at the current level rather than having two full time special needs assistants and one teacher removed from the school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [24450/18]



\*317. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of junior infants, senior infants and first classes in the primary system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [24461/18]

\*318. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of students enrolled in junior infants, senior infants and first class; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [24462/18]

\*319. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the cost of a special needs assistant at primary school level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [24463/18]

\*320. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding funding for schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24511/18]

\*321. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of increasing the grant to reflect inflation rates and CPI year on year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24517/18]

\*322. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of reversing the budget 2011 decision to increase the SUSI grant non-adjacency qualifying distance from 24 km to 45 km; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24518/18]

\*323. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of providing a free travel card to students in receipt of a grant or on the BTEA; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24519/18]

\*324. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of paying 80% of the entry level rate to student teachers on placement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24520/18]

\*325. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of works for a school (details supplied); the completion date for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24522/18]

\*326. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a person (details supplied) in County Kildare can receive assistance with educational needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [24525/18]

\*327. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the school building project at a school (details supplied); and the year in which he expects the construction of the extension to commence. — Alan Kelly. [24583/18]

\*328. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the expenditure in each of the years 2013 to 2017 by all third level institutions, respectively on property provision for their presidents or equivalents in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [24584/18]

\*329. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to traffic management issues at a school (details supplied) in County Kildare; his plans to offer assistance in view of the fact that there are concerns regarding pupil and parent safety regarding the site and its surrounds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24605/18]

\*330. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24608/18]

\*331. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an application by a school (details supplied) for an extension will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [24627/18]

\*332. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a request for permission by Longford Westmeath ETB to use its resources to acquire two acres from Longford County Council to facilitate future expansion of a school (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [24628/18]

\*333. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna maidir le ceist 157 an 28 Márta 2018, an bhfuil an fhaisnéis a bhí á lorg ag an Roinn faighte; an ndéanfaidh sé soiléiriú a thabhairt maidir le stádas an iarratais atá déanta ag an scoil; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Catherine Connolly. [24630/18]

\*334. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on the capitation payments for primary schools in view of the discrepancy between the payments at primary and secondary level education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24633/18]

\*335. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of extending the Gaeltacht school recognition schemes to preschools operating in the Gaeltacht. — Peadar Tóibín. [24637/18]

\*336. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of including Irish as a module in level six early childhood care and education or equivalent. — Peadar Tóibín. [24639/18]

\*337. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of including Irish as a module in level five early childhood care and education or equivalent. — Peadar Tóibín. [24640/18]

\*338. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to restore capitation funding to primary and post primary schools as per the commitment in the Programme for Partnership Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24642/18]

\*339. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason SNAs are being removed from a number of children (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [24650/18]

\*340. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied) in County Westmeath for works to be carried out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24670/18]

\*341. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the educational supports in place for children in the deaf community in County Mayo; the way in which this compares with other counties; his plans to provide extra educational supports for children in the deaf community; if not, the reason therefor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [24682/18]

\*342. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the type of intervention made to encourage the trustees of a school (details supplied) to provide access to the building's facilities for use by local community groups and organisations. — Mary Lou McDonald. [24692/18]



\*343. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a recent report (details supplied) in relation to the availability of skilled personnel for a sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [24703/18]

\*344. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the entitlements of a person (details supplied) in circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24723/18]

\*345. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the last new school planning area was added. — Noel Rock. [24732/18]

\*346. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the current system of school planning areas was initiated. — Noel Rock. [24733/18]

\*347. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way in which school planning areas take account of entirely new suburbs which did not exist when the original school planning areas were designed. — Noel Rock. [24734/18]

\*348. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the deviation in population that necessitates a new school planning area. — Noel Rock. [24735/18]

\*349. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will provide the relevant departmental GIS data, that is, enrolments and other relevant data which is mapped for the Finglas East, Ballymun, Dublin 11 school planning area. — Noel Rock. [24736/18]

\*350. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an exemption can be made in the case of a person (details supplied); the steps which need to be taken in order for this to be processed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24737/18]

\*351. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if there are other grants available bar the SUSI partial grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24738/18]

\*352. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on whether the payment of €3,000 a month by UCC for rental accommodation for its President is an appropriate use of taxpayer's money; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [24743/18]

\*353. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on whether the expenditure of €60,000 per annum plus VAT over an eight year period by UCC for a roof sign on Cork Opera House is a good use of taxpayer's money; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [24744/18]

\*354. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the case of a person (details supplied) will be addressed. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [24749/18]

\*355. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a permanent building will be completed for a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [24763/18]

\*356. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a person (details supplied) will receive the necessary level of SNA support as advised by health professionals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [24764/18]

\*357. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the definition of financial close stage in relation to new school builds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24781/18]

\*358. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when construction will commence on-site for a new school build for a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24782/18]

\*359. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the funding supports that may be available to a secondary school in a DEIS area that wishes to convert an existing grass playing pitch to a 4G all weather playing pitch; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24788/18]

\*360. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason special schools are subject to increasing insurance premiums; and the steps he will take in this regard. — Thomas Byrne. [24797/18]

\*361. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he is satisfied that all payments made by schools for services covered by relevant contracts tax were correctly treated by those schools for tax purposes in relation to the moneys expended by schools on construction activities including the summer works schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24809/18]

\*362. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of schools which received funding under the summer works schemes or other projects which may fall within the RCT system audited by his Department in each of the years 2013 to 2017; the proportion of the number of the schools involved audited; the proportion of the spend involved in those audits; the number of cases in which his Department was concerned over the operation of RCT in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24810/18]

\*363. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his Department has had meetings with the Revenue Commissioners regarding the operation of RCT by schools; if so, the dates of those meetings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24811/18]

\*364. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the services available to assist young adults with a disability such as a person (details supplied) that had been availing of school transport accessing their continuing education as before; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [24816/18]

\*365. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if authorisation has issued to the board of management of a school (details supplied) to commence the pre-qualification of contractors for the new school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24827/18]

\*366. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of tenders received for the construction of the new Educate Together school, Maynooth, County Kildare by the closing date for completed tenders of 9 May 2018; when the tender report will be completed; when construction will commence on the new school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24828/18]

\*367. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of expressions of interest received for the construction of a school (details supplied) by the closing date for receipt of expressions of interest of 21 May 2018; when it is expected that tenders will be invited for the project; when

construction is likely to commence on the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24829/18]

\*368. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if approval will issue to a school (details supplied) in relation to its application for additional school accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24830/18]

\*369. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the delivery of the required refurbishment and extension to a school (details supplied) has been devolved to KWETB; when a design team will be appointed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24831/18]

\*370. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 186 of 24 April 2018, if there has been further progress with the site acquisition process; when a design team will be appointed to secure planning permission for the two new schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24832/18]

\*371. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the stage 2B report for a school (details supplied) has been approved; if the school has been authorised to invite expressions of interest from contractors for the construction project; when the construction is likely to commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24834/18]

\*372. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of expressions of interest received for the construction of a school (details supplied) by the closing date for receipt of expressions of interest of 3 May 2018; when it is expected that tenders will be invited for the project; when construction is likely to commence on the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24835/18]

\*373. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the review of career guidance services in schools, higher education institutes and colleges of further education will include special schools; and his plans to provide career guidance to persons of 16 to 18 years of age attending special schools that are not in receipt of the service. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24843/18]

\*374. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress made to date on the site acquisition process that will identify the location of the new 1,000 pupil post primary school to be established in 2020 to serve the Tallaght and Newcastle and Rathcoole area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [24852/18]

\*375. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will sanction the granting of funds for the purchase of an available site zoned for educational purposes for a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24864/18]

\*376. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if, in the absence of a co-educational, multi-denominational, non-fee paying secondary school in the Dublin 8 and 12 catchment areas, these areas will be included in the Dublin 6, 6W and Clonskeagh catchment areas (details supplied). — Joan Collins. [24883/18]

\*377. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Kinsealy, Malahide and Portmarnock; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24949/18]

\*378. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Swords; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24950/18]

\*379. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Donabate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24951/18]

\*380. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Balbriggan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24952/18]

\*381. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Rush; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24953/18]

\*382. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Skerries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24954/18]

\*383. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Lusk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24955/18]

\*384. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of primary school places in Kinsealy, Malahide and Portmarnock; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24956/18]

\*385. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of secondary school places in Swords; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24957/18]

\*386. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of secondary school places in Balbriggan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24958/18]

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\*388. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of secondary school places in Rush; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24960/18]

\*389. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of secondary school places in Lusk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24961/18]

\*390. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to resolve the chronic shortage of secondary school places in Skerries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24962/18]

\*391. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding an increase to the school capitation grant to primary schools in counties Carlow and Kilkenny; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [24968/18]

\*392. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position to relation to the planned technological university for Munster; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24969/18]

\*393. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the rationale for considering a school (details supplied) as a candidate school for public consultation as part of the multi and non-denominational schools consultation plan 2018; if requests were made to include the school on this list; the timeframe for this process; the procedures involved in determining the view of the parents and broader school community; if this process will delay the project of delivering a new school building for the school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [24989/18]

\*394. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his Department will be accepting new applications for the summer works scheme 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick O'Donovan. [24999/18]

\*395. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will examine the minor works scheme with a view to providing the grant on an annual basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [25002/18]

\*396. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the catchment area for the new educate together school in Harold's Cross; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that children living on the opposite side of the road are not included; if the catchment area will be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25008/18]

\*397. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to increase funding for SNA provision in a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [25010/18]

\*398. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the stage plans are at in relation to the proposed location and timeframe in providing a new Educate Together school for Arklow, County Wicklow as previously announced under the process to bring about more diversity and inclusiveness in the primary school system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [25094/18]

\*399. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way the capacity of professional and administrative personnel within his Department including inspectors, psychologists, speech and language therapists, occupational therapists and staff in school support services to deliver services through Irish in Gaeltacht schools has been increased in 2017 and to date 2018 as outlined in the Policy on Gaeltacht Education 2017-2022; the number of additional staff in each category that have been tasked to deliver services through Irish; and the costs which have been incurred from the promotion of such increased capacity. — Peadar Tóibín. [25119/18]

\*400. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a HEAR application will be granted to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25126/18]

\*401. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if in the development of a healthcare assistance apprentice programme an organisation (details supplied) will be centrally involved in

the development and implementation of it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25145/18]

\*402. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna an dtabharfaidh sé freagra ar litir thíosluaite (sonraí tugtha); agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Fergus O'Dowd. [25147/18]

\*403. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if provision has been made for students taking a junior certificate subject with a compulsory assessment component in which the subject is not offered within the student's own school and is thus studied externally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [25159/18]

\*404. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if provision has been made for the assessment of students in junior certificate music that are home schooled. — Kathleen Funchion. [25160/18]

\*405. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if provision has been made for assessment of students studying junior certificate music external to their own school. — Kathleen Funchion. [25161/18]

\*406. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if guidelines have or will be released to education providers regarding the practical assessment of junior certificate subjects in which these subjects are studied externally to the students' school. — Kathleen Funchion. [25162/18]

\*407. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the funding available for a student (details supplied) who studies abroad; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25169/18]

\*408. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25176/18]

\*409. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding funding to carry out renovations at a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25195/18]

\*410. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the remuneration packages for presidents of third level institutions in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [25196/18]

\*411. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will provide the policy document outlining the procedures relating to DEIS status and amalgamation of national schools in particular the process whereby a non-DEIS and a DEIS school are amalgamated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [25220/18]

\*412. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding completion of a site acquisition and the process for commencing the pre-qualification process in respect of a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25229/18]

\*413. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the additional measures being undertaken to ensure that a school (details supplied) will be moved into its new premises by September 2018 in view of the liquidation of a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [25232/18]



\*414. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the impact of the liquidation of a company (details supplied) on the completion of schools bundle 5 PPP project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25256/18]

\*415. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if provision has been made for male teachers in a same-sex partnership seeking adoptive leave from his Department. — Kathleen Funchion. [25325/18]

\*416. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to his Department's circular 18/2013 outlining adoptive leave practice and entitlements for teachers in which sections 1.2 and 11 do not appear to provide for a male teacher in a same-sex partnership seeking adoptive leave; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [25326/18]

\*417. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an updated policy planned for publication which will include provisions for male teachers in a same-sex partnership seeking adoptive leave. — Kathleen Funchion. [25327/18]

\*418. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the potential costs and considerations of setting up a student assistance fund specifically for the benefit of postgraduate students in view of the fact that they do not have access to the student assistance fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [25353/18]

\*419. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the contact he has had with a school (details supplied) in relation to works that need to be carried out; when the work is expected to start; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25367/18]

\*420. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding a proposed site for a school (details supplied): if a site has been purchased; if so, the details of the purchase; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25368/18]

\*421. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the provision being made for school transport to convey children with disabilities and special needs to pre-schools that have the capacity and trained staff to cater for them in cases in which these facilities do not exist in the towns that they reside in. — Brian Stanley. [25431/18]

\*422. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if transport or assistance towards transport for three children with special needs and disabilities in the will be provided (details supplied). — Brian Stanley. [25432/18]

\*423. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a funding application from a school (details supplied) for the replacement of prefabs to cater for a staff room, an additional special education room, a principal's office and a physical education hall will be granted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [25434/18]

\*424. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if consequent to the carrying out of the M4/N4 corridor study pertaining to the provision of secondary school accommodation, if a further evaluation of the findings have been made in the interim; if the provision of secondary school accommodation for Kinnegad will be considered due to significant population increase; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [25453/18]

\*425. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of reducing the current criteria for access to the SUSI grant requiring residency here for three of the past five years, from three to two years. — Kathleen Funchion. [25454/18]

\*426. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of assessing all students aged 18 to 23 years of age, that is, not exclusively those estranged from their parents as independent for the purpose of the SUSI grant system provided they meet all other eligibility criteria. — Kathleen Funchion. [25455/18]

\*427. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the decision to refuse school transport in the case of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25465/18]

\*428. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the catchment area for the new Harold's Cross secondary school will be extended to include the Dublin 8 and 12 areas in which there are two MDS primary schools; the rationale for not including these areas which are in the immediate environment of the school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [25543/18]

\*429. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason his Department halved the junior cycle management resource hours available to schools for the 2018/2019 school year (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25544/18]

\*430. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25569/18]

\*431. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of schools projects that were to be delivered by way of PPP with a company (details supplied). — John Lahart. [25585/18]

\*432. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the provision of new school buildings for schools (details supplied). — John Lahart. [25587/18]

\*433. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the transfer of land from South Dublin County Council to his Department; and the progress that has been made in relation to progressing the school project. — John Lahart. [25588/18]

\*434. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the new system for the awarding of a patronage to schools will be finalised in view of findings that the Education Act 1998 had been contravened by his Department in the process of appointing a patron to a new primary school in the Drumcondra, Marino and Dublin 1 areas; if he has examined the demand for multi-denominational education through the medium of Irish in this area; and if the statutory language obligations will be adhered to in the process by which patronage is awarded with regard to the 42 schools due to be established in the next four years. — Peadar Tóibín. [25594/18]

\*435. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of plans to secure a permeant site for a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25603/18]

\*436. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reasons a school (details supplied) is having its special needs assistant withdrawn, leaving the school with none despite the fact there



are three students with special needs starting the school in September 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25618/18]

\*437. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if officials from his Department will agree to meet the board of management of a school (details supplied) to discuss its request for a new school building. — Mick Barry. [25620/18]

\*438. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to have a bilateral meeting with his US counterpart, Ms. Betsy DeVos; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25666/18]

\*439. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an additional school accommodation application by a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [25681/18]

\*440. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a reply will issue to correspondence from a person (details supplied) regarding seeking extra release days; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [25718/18]

\*441. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a site for a new school (details supplied) in Dun Laoghaire will be urgently progressed; the status of progress to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25719/18]

\*442. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25731/18]

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

\*443. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if immigration will be discussed at the June 2018 EU Council meeting in view of events that have occurred in Hungary and Germany. — Micheál Martin. [24563/18]

\*444. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has met a family (details supplied) following the publishing of the GSOC report in regard to the way in which complaints were handled following the death of their son. — Micheál Martin. [24669/18]

\*445. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there have been changes to the indicative timetable for the holding of referendums (details supplied) agreed on 26 September 2017. — Catherine Martin. [24787/18]

\*446. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when it is planned to establish the Garda insurance fraud unit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [24933/18]

\*447. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if adoptive leave will be provided for same sex couples in view of the fact that circular 18/2013 does not cater for the needs of these couples (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [25063/18]

\*448. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the budget allocation he plans putting in place in 2018 and 2019 in order to establish a UNCRPD implementation working group and oversight

committee which will ensure the swift implementation and integration of the UNCRPD here. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [25433/18]

\*449. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of unlicensed taxi drivers apprehended by An Garda Síochána in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25460/18]

\*450. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25710/18]

\*451. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the funding allocated for high quality training on domestic and sexual violence to An Garda Síochána in 2017 and 2018; the number of gardaí which received such training in these years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [24274/18]

\*452. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if GISC's responsibility for the management of the Garda information technology service desk out of hours and on weekends was rolled back in 2016 with responsibility moving to a company (details supplied); and if so, the reason therefor. — Clare Daly. [24329/18]

\*453. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the name of the Governor of Portlaoise prison; when they were appointed; and the name of the previous Governor and the date of their appointment. — Clare Daly. [24350/18]

\*454. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number and location of prison governor positions which are vacant; and when they will be filled. — Clare Daly. [24351/18]

\*455. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if it is permitted for an insurance company to pursue claimants or plaintiffs for their High Court and or Court of Appeal costs even when the claim is successful; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24359/18]

\*456. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to situations in which insurance companies are refusing to pay for the certificate for senior counsel for the claimant or plaintiff in circumstances in which a case is settled in favour of the claimant; if there is a regulation or restriction preventing this from occurring; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24360/18]

\*457. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when vehicle number recognition systems will be installed in all Garda patrol cars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24386/18]

\*458. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to hold a referendum on Article 41.2 of the Constitution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24387/18]

\*459. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the amount of funding that will be provided for the second sexual abuse and violence in Ireland study; the communications he has had with other Departments from which funding for this study would be divided; the timeline for the completion of the study; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [24400/18]

\*460. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to roll out the use of body worn cameras by gardaí as standard in view of the fact that the Metropolitan Police in London have seen a 30% decrease in complaints against officers wearing body cameras; if he or his officials in consultation with An Garda Síochána have evaluated the time and resources that can be saved by using such equipment in the context of being able to prove in a more efficient manner complaints against gardaí and or incidents; his views on the use of body cameras in the context of personal safety of gardaí while in the line of their duty; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24402/18]

\*461. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda staff that were co-located with staff provided by a company (details supplied) in 2016 and that functioned as corresponding resources as per the terms of the 2016 contract for the provision of skilled resources by the company. — Clare Daly. [24407/18]

\*462. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of staff, including Garda in-house and external staff provided by a company (details supplied) allocated to provide live support for the Garda IS infrastructure in 2016. — Clare Daly. [24408/18]

\*463. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of staff including Garda in-house and external staff provided by a company (details supplied) allocated to work as service desk analysts on the Garda information technology service desk in 2016. — Clare Daly. [24421/18]

\*464. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the €7,625,089 cost of the contract awarded to a company (details supplied) for the provision of skilled resources to An Garda Síochána in 2016 includes staff travel and subsistence costs. — Clare Daly. [24422/18]

\*465. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the €7,205,435 cost of the contract awarded to a company (details supplied) for the provision of skilled resources to An Garda Síochána in 2015 includes staff travel and subsistence costs. — Clare Daly. [24423/18]

\*466. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding Garda vetting and clearance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick O'Donovan. [24424/18]

\*467. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications received in 2017 and to date in 2018 for the community CCTV scheme; the number of applications received by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [24428/18]

\*468. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications which have been granted to date for the community CCTV scheme; the number of granted applications by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [24429/18]

\*469. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the amount of funding allocated to date through the community CCTV scheme; the amount of funding allocated by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [24430/18]

\*470. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the types of community groups and organisations availing of and inquiring with regard to the community CCTV scheme; the issues which are hindering community groups and organisations from progressing their application to instalment of CCTV in their communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [24431/18]

\*471. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the penalties applying to the refusal of an establishment to allow entry to a customer or to ask a customer to leave on the basis of a mother breastfeeding; and his plans to update legislation in this regard. — Róisín Shortall. [24444/18]

\*472. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the funding which will be provided in 2018 and 2019 to implement the provisions of the Domestic Violence Act 2018 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [24477/18]

\*473. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the cost of funding the Garda Complaints Board in the past five years to date; the number of personnel involved; the cost to date of the Garda Ombudsman Commission; the number of personnel involved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [24513/18]

\*474. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 71 of 23 May 2018, the approximate number of anti-social behaviour orders issued by An Garda Síochána in each region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [24539/18]

\*475. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of reports of section 12 of the children’s Act recorded on the PULSE system in 2016 and 2017, by each district in tabular form. — Anne Rabbitte. [24556/18]

\*476. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of reports of section 13 of the mental health Act recorded on the PULSE system in 2016 and 2017, by each district in tabular form. — Anne Rabbitte. [24557/18]

\*477. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24579/18]

\*478. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of juvenile good behaviour contracts issued in each of the years 2007 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [24592/18]

\*479. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of juvenile antisocial behaviour orders issued in each of the years 2007 to 2017 and to date in 2018, under Part 13 of the Criminal Justice Act 2006; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [24593/18]

\*480. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of anti-social behaviour orders issued in each of the years 2007 to 2017 and to date in 2018, under Part 11 of the Criminal Justice Act 2006; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [24594/18]

\*481. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 601 of 17 April 2018, if the nature and extent of sexual violence against those in State care will be included in the scope of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [24647/18]

\*482. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the efforts being made to tackle rural crime in the north west; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the number of burglaries in counties Sligo and Leitrim area is up 30% while nationally the number of burglaries is up 3.6%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24661/18]

\*483. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has examined the GSOC inquiry report on the death of a person (details supplied); the actions he is taking to address the issues raised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24668/18]

\*484. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of personnel in Roscrea Garda station to date; the number of personnel that were stationed there five and ten years ago, respectively; if his attention has been drawn to the downgrading of the facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [24695/18]

\*485. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of an application under section 3(6) of the Immigration Act 1999 in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24716/18]

\*486. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of cases referred to the International Protection Office that have been granted residency or have had their cases overturned from previous decisions; the number of cases upheld on appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24721/18]

\*487. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the actions being taken to address the comments made by GSOC in the report it concluded on 29 March 2017 on the complaints made by a person (details supplied) and in particular the reference to improved access to information for victims and their families; the actions taken to address this comment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24730/18]

\*488. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the improvements that have been made or actions that have been taken to address the comments regarding a joined up system for An Garda Síochána, courts and prison services to talk to each other in view of the comments on a GSOC report in relation to the death of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24731/18]

\*489. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the Assisted Decision Making (Capacity) Act 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [24762/18]

\*490. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will discuss with senior Garda management the urgent need for sufficient Garda resources to be allocated to an area (details supplied); his views on the concern of the local community in respect of the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24790/18]

\*491. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the position of a central registrar to maintain a record of statutory declarations of guardianship in Ireland can be created; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [24795/18]

\*492. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in each district in the Dublin region that have completed the CBD level three driving course in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018; when this course will be next run; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24856/18]

\*493. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to update the Criminal Justice (Public Order) Act 2003; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24857/18]

\*494. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the age profile of asylum seekers currently resident in direct provision by age and gender in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [24863/18]

\*495. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a Palestinian citizen that is married to an Irish citizen is eligible to apply for Irish citizenship. — Gerry Adams. [24866/18]

\*496. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position regarding the sections of the Children and Family Relationships Act 2015 which have not yet been commenced further to concerns raised by an organisation (details supplied) on behalf of same-sex couples; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24902/18]

\*497. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in the Henry Street and Roxboro road districts of Limerick city in each of the years 2007 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Maurice Quinlivan. [24914/18]

\*498. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason the Policing Authority has not yet issued guidelines in relation to CCTV schemes in accordance with section 31(d) of the Garda Síochána (Policing Authority and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2015; when the Policing Authority will issue these guidelines; if he issued guidelines prior to the 2015 Act as per section 38(11)(a) of the Garda Síochána Act 2005; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [24932/18]

\*499. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 115 of 30 May 2018, the process involved in drawing up the codes of conduct referred to in section 32 of the Data Protection Act 2018; the way in which all relevant stakeholders, including bodies that represent the interests of children, can make appropriate input into its development and implementation; if a consultation will be opened on same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [24934/18]

\*500. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 115 of 30 May 2018, if he will meet an organisation (details supplied) in relation to drawing up the codes of conduct referred to in section 32 of the Data Protection Act 2018 in order that it can make appropriate input into its development and implementation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [24935/18]

\*501. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the INIS has access to an ink stamp to appropriately endorse a passport allowing a person to remain in the State (details supplied) on a stamp 1 basis and seek employment without the requirement for an employment permit; if not, if it will be supplied with same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [24937/18]

\*502. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of proceedings lodged in respect of repossession cases before the courts involving the family home; the number of proceedings dealt with; the number of adjournments granted in each of the years 2015 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24980/18]

\*503. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of fines that have been applied to persons driving without insurance in each of the years 2013 to 2017, by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [25019/18]



\*504. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of vehicles seized for driving without insurance in each of the years 2013 to 2017, by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [25021/18]

\*505. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of deaths arising out of accidents involving vehicles which were driven by uninsured drivers in each of the years 2013 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [25022/18]

\*506. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 279 of 29 May 2018, if only 0.5% of residents on direct provision have been in the asylum process for more than three years (details supplied). — Clare Daly. [25055/18]

\*507. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if Iveragh, County Kerry will be supported with the installation of ANPR cameras to assist in policing (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [25061/18]

\*508. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when a new superintendent will be appointed to Bruff Garda station, County Limerick. — Patrick O'Donovan. [25066/18]

\*509. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if consideration has been given to allow a person (details supplied) to remain legally here; if recognition has been given to the person's exceptional academic achievement in the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [25069/18]

\*510. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when a reply will issue to correspondence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25074/18]

\*511. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when he expects a decision on an immigration appeal by persons (details supplied) to be processed; if same will be expedited in view of the seriousness of the situation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [25083/18]

\*512. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the lengths of time individual prisoners were placed in safety observation cells, closed observation cells and 22 and 23 hour lock up in 2017 and to date in 2018, by prison in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [25085/18]

\*513. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of female and male prisoner, respectively that exercised their right to vote in the Referendum to repeal the Eighth Amendment. — Clare Daly. [25086/18]

\*514. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if Caherciveen Garda station will be reopened; his plans to appoint the requisite gardaí to facilitate same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [25095/18]

\*515. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the participation rates of prisoners in education during their sentences by prison; the budget for the provision of such services in 2017 and to date in 2018; the access to education for prisoners on restricted regimes; the number of prisoners completing further or higher education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25098/18]



\*516. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of category A complaints submitted in 2017 and to date in 2018 by prison in tabular form; the length of time taken to complete each one and communicate the outcome of the decision to the complainant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25099/18]

\*517. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prisoners that received a disciplinary sanction for breach of prison discipline by prison in tabular form; the nature of those sanctions imposed over the period 2017 and 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25100/18]

\*518. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the commitment made by him at the UNCAT hearing in 2017 that all prisons would have child friendly visiting conditions by July 2018 has been honoured; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [25109/18]

\*519. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the findings of a report (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25112/18]

\*520. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of stolen firearms that were used in crimes in each of the years 2013 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25120/18]

\*521. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps he will take to preserve the courthouse building in Kanturk, County Cork: if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the building has been damaged by vandals in recent weeks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [25127/18]

\*522. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda Reserves in each year since its establishment in 2006. — Maurice Quinlivan. [25164/18]

\*523. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda Reserves in each Limerick city division; the number of reserves in each division that went on to become gardaí or are in training in each of the past ten years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [25165/18]

\*524. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25182/18]

\*525. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the measures being taken to accommodate refugees from the Syrian crisis; the way they can be integrated into society and allowed to work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [25224/18]

\*526. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in respect of an appeal for a visa by a person (details supplied); when a decision is likely to be finalised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25227/18]

\*527. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of mountain bikes allocated to each station within the Garda R and J Districts in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018; the number of gardaí trained in the use of mountain bikes in each of the years in question; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25244/18]

\*528. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 102 of 21 May 2017, if a meeting can be arranged between him and the person to discuss their case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [25270/18]

\*529. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding refugees in Killarney town; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25295/18]

\*530. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 88 of 7 May 2017, the number of new staff hires engaged in the provision of services in the area of international protection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25424/18]

\*531. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason the average wait time for first interview for asylum applications has increased from 11 weeks in 2015 to 18 to 20 months in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25425/18]

\*532. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a series of matters (details supplied) regarding public order issues in an area in County Kerry will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25448/18]

\*533. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of members of An Garda Síochána that have been injured in the line of duty; the number of injuries and types of injuries in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25461/18]

\*534. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the measures taken to equip gardaí in Tallaght with adequate four wheel drive vehicles to help reduce response times should a similar situation arise (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25462/18]

\*535. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a number of gardaí in the Tallaght area operate out of a hotel close to Tallaght Garda station due to a lack of space; his plans to provide funds for the redevelopment and expansion of Tallaght Garda station; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25463/18]

\*536. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the correct procedure to be followed in the case of a person (details supplied); if they are required to take particular steps in respect of their residency status to meet full requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25504/18]

\*537. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of outstanding warrants nationwide on the Garda PULSE system to date by bench, penal and committal warrants; the year in which the number of those outstanding were issued in tabular form; the number of outstanding warrants by type in each Garda division; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [25505/18]

\*538. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of warrants issued in the past 12 months that were executed; the number that were executed within 3, 6 or 12 months, respectively; the number of the remainder that are outstanding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [25506/18]

\*539. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the concept of courtroom dogs which are used in the United States of America as a means of assisting and comforting vulnerable witnesses that are required to give evidence; his plans to pilot a similar scheme here; if not, if piloting such a scheme will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25511/18]

\*540. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the case of a person (details supplied) who was refused leave to remain here will be re-examined in view of the shortage of guidance counsellors here and the fact that careers advisers and vocational guidance specialists were added to the ineligible categories of employment for employment permits list after the person commenced their studies and the fact that their degree qualifies them to work here. — Róisín Shortall. [25542/18]

\*541. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if legislation or a statutory instrument will be introduced that would allow An Garda Síochána and specifically the district superintendent act as data controller for community CCTV if it has been approved for use by the JPC and An Garda Síochána; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25548/18]

\*542. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25575/18]

\*543. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to improve the sharing of information between court districts and the PSNI and An Garda Síochána in order that it would be clear that a defendant has revoked the provisions of bail of a previous court hearing and therefore should not be allowed further leniency as in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [25593/18]

\*544. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of large marked Garda vans; if funding will be made available to purchase additional large marked vans for use by the Garda public order units; if so, the amount; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25596/18]

\*545. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when construction works on the new Garda immigration detention facility at Dublin Airport will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25597/18]

\*546. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the waiting times for Garda vetting for voluntary organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [25606/18]

\*547. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if consideration has been given to the establishment of a central register here to maintain a record of statutory declarations of guardianships; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [25615/18]

\*548. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of additional unmarked Garda vehicles that came into the fleet in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018; the number of unmarked vehicles that were withdrawn during the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25663/18]

\*549. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to issue each front-line garda with a taser; the estimated cost of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25664/18]

\*550. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of employing ten new front-line gardaí. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25698/18]

\*551. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of employing ten new administration staff located within An Garda Síochána. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25699/18]

\*552. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of providing all front-line gardaí with body cameras. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25700/18]

\*553. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of providing front-line Garda vehicles with GPS. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25701/18]

\*554. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated cost of establishing a new Garda youth diversion project; and the estimated full year running cost of any such a project. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25702/18]

\*555. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of reducing free civil legal aid by €70, €80, €90 and €100 respectively in tabular form. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25703/18]

\*556. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year running cost of the Courts Service. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25704/18]

\*557. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of forensic accountants dedicated to tackling white collar crime. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25707/18]

\*558. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of employing five forensic accountants. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25708/18]

\*559. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of electronic tagging and monitoring thereafter of those convicted of rape, child sexual abuse and similar violent offences that are resident here. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25709/18]

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

\*560. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of a work permit application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [24515/18]

\*561. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of site visits conducted by the IDA in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, by county in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [24256/18]

\*562. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount of current and capital expenditure allocated to the programme for research in third level institutions in 2018. — Billy Kelleher. [24356/18]

\*563. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the likely ratification procedure at EU and member state level for ratification of a final Mercosur trade agreement relating to market access, quotas and the elements that fall under exclusive EU level competence and areas that require national level approval; if she or her Government colleagues have carried out assessments to date on the scenario; if the Attorney General was consulted in this regard; and if Dáil Éireann will have to ratify elements of a final Mercosur agreement, including the provisional application of the agreement. — Charlie McConalogue. [24547/18]

\*564. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24570/18]

\*565. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if options for the promotion of second level schools for international students through Enterprise Ireland will be examined; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick O'Donovan. [25139/18]

\*566. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by her Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25171/18]

\*567. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will consider amending a specific category under the employment permit regulations to address shortages in an area which is reaching a critical point with increasing demand for the job skill (details supplied). — Kevin O'Keeffe. [25202/18]

\*568. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the reason for the delay in the transposition of the Trade Secrets Directive, EU Directive 2016/943; if Dáil Éireann will have an opportunity to debate same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [25501/18]

\*569. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if her attention has been drawn to the serious concerns surrounding the impact the Trade Secrets Directive may have on whistleblower protections here; the way in which she plans to address the matter; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [25503/18]

\*570. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if negotiations have taken place in relation to Ireland becoming a member of CERN; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [25551/18]

\*571. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement will come before Dáil Éireann for a debate and vote; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [25552/18]

\*572. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25564/18]

\*573. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the impact on industry here as a result of the US announcement on duties imposed on steel and aluminium and specifically on a company (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25586/18]

\*574. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if Science Foundation Ireland has filled the post of head of international within the agency; if not, when this post will be filled; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25667/18]

\*575. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25726/18]

*Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.*

\*576. To ask the Minister for Health the policy direction being pursued in regard to a matter (details supplied); if his officials will be directed to support the pursuit and scope of this new work on alcohol beverage labelling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24445/18]

\*577. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in receipt of disability allowance that hold a medical card. — John Brady. [24747/18]

\*578. To ask the Minister for Health the detail of plans to repeal section 85(6) of the Assisted Decision Making (Capacity) Act 2015 in view of the repeal of the Eighth Amendment of the Constitution. — Clare Daly. [25123/18]

\*579. To ask the Minister for Health if he has had discussions with the United Kingdom authorities regarding the operation of legislation for the termination of pregnancies here and the way in which it impacts on Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [25328/18]

\*580. To ask the Minister for Health if access to abortion services for women in Northern Ireland was discussed when he last spoke to his UK counterpart. — Micheál Martin. [25356/18]

\*581. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 132 of 24 May 2018, the exact quantum of funding allocated in 2018 to provide for the full implementation of national policies and guidelines in regard to antimicrobial resistance and healthcare acquired infections. — Clare Daly. [24236/18]

\*582. To ask the Minister for Health if a report has been carried out regarding the impact on the loss of the ambulance base in east County Cork; if not, the reason therefor; and if he will institute a report on the impact of same. — Pat Buckley. [24247/18]

\*583. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) cannot access a bus service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24250/18]

\*584. 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. — Peter Burke. [24251/18]



\*585. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times the full capacity protocol has been used in University Hospital Limerick to date in 2018. — Maurice Quinlivan. [24253/18]

\*586. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients that have had to wait on trolleys in University Hospital Limerick to date in 2018. — Maurice Quinlivan. [24254/18]

\*587. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a 96 bed extension to University Hospital Limerick. — Maurice Quinlivan. [24255/18]

\*588. To ask the Minister for Health when an operation will be provided for a person (details supplied) in County Galway; the reason for the delay in issuing a date for the procedure in view of the significant length of time that the person has spent on the waiting list to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [24257/18]

\*589. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a MRI appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24268/18]

\*590. To ask the Minister for Health his planned roll out of a national scheme to allow children that do not need medical or surgical management to be examined in the community by optometrists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24271/18]

\*591. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to roll out the Sligo cataract scheme nationally with optometrists and hospital eye departments working together; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24272/18]

\*592. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of a national women's health action plan as committed to in the National Strategy for Women and Girls 2017-2020; the funding allocated to the development of the plan for 2018, 2019 and 2020; the projected timeline for its completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [24277/18]

\*593. To ask the Minister for Health when it is likely that there will be a change in regard to which labs are used to analyse smear tests for the CervicalCheck programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [24325/18]

\*594. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the re-evaluation of the national eye care plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24328/18]

\*595. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to reduce the waiting time for access to orthodontic care for minors in the CHO 4 area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24331/18]

\*596. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce a community based children's optometrists scheme in order to address the waiting lists that exist for children to receive eye examinations; his further plans to roll out the Sligo cataract scheme (details supplied) across the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Barrett. [24348/18]

\*597. To ask the Minister for Health if he will engage with an organisation (details supplied) and the pharmaceutical industry to ensure that all new life changing medicines are made available to persons with MS in a timely manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24349/18]



\*598. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 13 of 2 June 2016, if policy issues in respect of abortion are still subsumed into the tobacco and alcohol control unit of his Department; if so, the reason it has not been changed; if a new unit will be established within his Department to oversee abortion and other related matters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [24357/18]

\*599. To ask the Minister for Health the funding allocated to the implementation of the National Maternity Strategy for 2018, 2019 and 2020; the way in which this funding allocation is broken down; the specific funding allocated to the roll-out of a national perinatal mental health service for the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [24363/18]

\*600. To ask the Minister for Health when a revised HSE National Consent Policy will be published which omits paragraph 7.7.1's exceptions to the principle of consent. — Clare Daly. [24380/18]

\*601. To ask the Minister for Health the measures he is taking to inform all medical practitioners and persons in associated professions that the exception contained in paragraph 7.7.1 of the HSE's National Consent Policy no longer applies. — Clare Daly. [24381/18]

\*602. To ask the Minister for Health if he has been informed by the HSE if it ensured that outsourced cervical screening tests had to be examined for a minimum amount of time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24389/18]

\*603. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he has taken over the past year to implement Sláintecare; his plans in this context for budget 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24390/18]

\*604. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the negotiations between his Department and the farming organisations with a view to introducing capping on the number of years farmland can be calculated as an asset for the purposes of making contributions towards the fair deal scheme; his plans to reduce the number of years an asset must be transferred to a family member before it becomes ineligible for an asset for means; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [24392/18]

\*605. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to support myalgic encephalomyelitis patients and carers; if his Department will review the HSE's handling of this condition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [24401/18]

\*606. To ask the Minister for Health the status of surgery for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [24406/18]

\*607. To ask the Minister for Health if it is policy to send children with autism spectrum disorder to the UK if no residential placement is available here or to place a child in an adult psychiatric ward as an interim measure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24409/18]

\*608. To ask the Minister for Health the strategy in place to provide services for those school leavers and young persons that are exiting RT programmes in 2018. — Clare Daly. [24426/18]

\*609. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to develop a long-term strategy to put in place adequate services to meet the growing needs of those exiting disability and RT services for persons on reaching the age of 18 years of age. — Clare Daly. [24427/18]

\*610. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a submission by a group (details supplied) regarding the HSE's implementation from 30 April 2018 of the standard operating procedure for the assessment of need; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24434/18]

\*611. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be supplied with medical supplies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [24436/18]

\*612. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding cataract waiting lists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [24437/18]

\*613. To ask the Minister for Health the difference between the fee for private and HSE run nursing homes (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24438/18]

\*614. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for children to access speech and language therapy, psychological therapy and occupational therapy at Beechpark Service for children with autism spectrum disorder in north west areas of County Dublin in tabular form; the steps he will take to address the waiting lists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24441/18]

\*615. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 771 of 7 November 2017, the status of the PRAC's review of Valproate; the response of the HPRA to the outcome of this review; the steps it will take to increase awareness of the potential side effects of this drug in pregnant women; the multidisciplinary team services that are available to children born with FACS; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24443/18]

\*616. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the concerns being raised by parents, schools and representative bodies of relevant allied professionals regarding the new HSE model for assessments of need which will not involve a diagnosis as part of the assessment process; the rationale behind these changes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24446/18]

\*617. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24453/18]

\*618. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding each of the recommendations made in a report (details supplied) on a nursing home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [24454/18]

\*619. To ask the Minister for Health if he has reviewed or plans to review the prohibition of euthanasia, assisted dying and physician assisted suicide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [24455/18]

\*620. To ask the Minister for Health the policy position with respect to medicinal cannabis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [24456/18]

\*621. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the Misuse of Drugs (Supervised Injecting Facilities) Act 2017; the costs to date associated with the operation and staffing of such supervised injecting facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [24457/18]

\*622. To ask the Minister for Health if he or his Department have raised the phenomenon of gendercide at national or international fora; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [24458/18]

\*623. To ask the Minister for Health the number of meetings or engagements he and his Department have had with organisations (details supplied) in the past three years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [24459/18]

\*624. To ask the Minister for Health the number of full and partial lower limb amputations that were carried out in 2017; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24466/18]

\*625. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients treated for foot ulcerations, which do not require a full or partial limb amputation in 2017, by county; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24467/18]

\*626. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients under 65 years of age treated for foot ulcerations, which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in 2017, by county; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24468/18]

\*627. To ask the Minister for Health the number of full and partial lower limb amputations that were carried out in 2017, by county on persons under 65 years of age; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24469/18]

\*628. To ask the Minister for Health the number of bed days required by patients treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in each of the years 2015 to 2017; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24470/18]

\*629. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in each of the years 2015 to 2017; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24471/18]

\*630. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients undergoing full and partial lower limb amputation procedures in each the years 2015 to 2017, by county on persons under 65 years of age in tabular form; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24472/18]

\*631. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients on persons under 65 years of age by county treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in each the years 2015 to 2017; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24473/18]

\*632. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the discrepancy between the evidence provided by CervicalCheck and the records of the State Claims Agency in regard to women being informed of the results of the CervicalCheck audit; if CervicalCheck had accepted or denied the alleged confirmation provided to the State Claims Agency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24475/18]

\*633. To ask the Minister for Health if HSE services will be made available to a person (details supplied); if measures will be taken to reduce the waiting lists for the services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [24478/18]

\*634. To ask the Minister for Health if HSE services will be made available to a person (details supplied); if measures will be taken to reduce the waiting list for the services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [24479/18]

\*635. To ask the Minister for Health if HSE services will be made available to a person (details supplied); if measures will be taken to reduce waiting lists for the services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [24480/18]

\*636. To ask the Minister for Health if HSE services will be made available to a person (details supplied); if measures can be taken to reduce the waiting list for the services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [24481/18]

\*637. To ask the Minister for Health if HSE services will be made available to a person (details supplied); if measures can be taken to reduce the waiting lists for the services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [24482/18]

\*638. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE will provide a home care package for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [24483/18]

\*639. To ask the Minister for Health if he is satisfied with the progress of implementation of recommendations of the Eye Services Review Group report; his views on whether the review group's recommendations will be in place within the outlined timeframe; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24493/18]

\*640. To ask the Minister for Health the number of the 144 additional posts needed to transfer OPD eye services to primary care as recommended by the Eye Services Review Group report that have been filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24494/18]

\*641. To ask the Minister for Health the number and location of paediatric vascular surgeons here; the number of operations carried out by location from January 2017 to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [24498/18]

\*642. To ask the Minister for Health if a new dental scheme will be agreed with an association (details supplied) which will examine prioritising prevention for medical card patients and affording them access to the same standard of care as dentists provide to private patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [24499/18]

\*643. To ask the Minister for Health when a new scheme to replace the motorised transport grant and mobility allowance schemes will be introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [24500/18]

\*644. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of the population with discretionary medical cards; the number of discretionary medical cards which this percentage relates to based on the current population by month to date in 2018. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [24503/18]

\*645. To ask the Minister for Health the number of discretionary medical cards awarded, renewed, expiring and in existence, respectively at any one time in the year by CHO in tabular form. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [24504/18]

\*646. To ask the Minister for Health the national protocols in place for the administration of psychotropic drugs to patients in nursing homes and other institutions in which persons are in care; the system of monitoring and inspection in place to ensure that persons are not administered these drugs improperly or illegally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [24505/18]

\*647. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding provided to each of the CHO's for implementation of recommendations in the Primary Care Eye Services Review group report in 2017 and 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24507/18]

\*648. To ask the Minister for Health if a group has been established in his Department to examine the provision of free contraception; if the group has formulated a comprehensive response to the development of a free contraception service; the funding to be allocated to the development of this service for 2018, 2019 and 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [24508/18]

\*649. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to add myalgic encephalomyelitis to the medical conditions listed as part of the long-term illness scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [24512/18]

\*650. To ask the Minister for Health the budget for provision of respite services in the State; the number of families accessing respite services; the average spend on respite services by the HSE per family; and the waiting lists for respite services across the State. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [24516/18]

\*651. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Laois will receive a medical procedure. — Sean Sherlock. [24523/18]

\*652. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Kildare will receive a medical procedure. — Sean Sherlock. [24526/18]

\*653. To ask the Minister for Health the number of residential care places in County Mayo; the number of persons on the waiting list for residential care in the county; the estimated wait time and cost per place for residential care in the county; the way in which these figures compare to other counties; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [24528/18]

\*654. To ask the Minister for Health the funding allocated to residential care providers in County Mayo; his plans to provide extra funding to residential care providers in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [24529/18]

\*655. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) is on the waiting list for a knee replacement at Our Lady's Hospital, Navan; the status of their appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24536/18]

\*656. To ask the Minister for Health the additional duty of care placed on a doctor prescribing an unlicensed medicine; and the additional steps the doctor must take to ensure the patients' attention is being drawn to the various risks attached to prescribing of the medicine in view of the fact that the HPRA has no involvement in the safety of the medicine. — Clare Daly. [24542/18]

\*657. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the memorandum of understanding, cooperation and information sharing signed in June 2015 between HIQA and the Office of the Ombudsman; the number of meetings that have taken place; the level at which they have taken place; the number of cases by HIQA and the Office of the Ombudsman in which information was shared; the number of cases in which HIQA has been informed of a complaint which had already been dealt with at local level since the memorandum was signed and transferred to the office of the Ombudsman by year; the outcome of all cases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [24546/18]

\*658. To ask the Minister for Health if he will examine a series of matters in relation to BreastCheck (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24553/18]

\*659. To ask the Minister for Health if he will meet with an organisation (details supplied) to discuss failings in the market access system for obtaining drugs for the condition. — Mick Barry. [24558/18]

\*660. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1051 of 16 January 2018, the progress being made to introduce dialectical behaviour therapy services for adults in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [24559/18]

\*661. To ask the Minister for Health if all electronic correspondence between him and either of his two special advisers regarding all aspects of the CervicalCheck crisis will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [24560/18]

\*662. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24577/18]

\*663. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on the national donor-conceived person register as per the provisions of the Children and Family Relationships Act 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [24585/18]

\*664. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for a wheelchair; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24591/18]

\*665. To ask the Minister for Health if exceptions to HSE Circular 15/2017 (details supplied) will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [24601/18]

\*666. To ask the Minister for Health the status of home help and other support in the home available to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24607/18]

\*667. To ask the Minister for Health the reason funding has been withdrawn by the Health Service Executive that makes possible an annual one week holiday for medium-term and long-term



patients living in community based Health Service Executive owned homes (details supplied) in counties Laois and Offaly. — Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [24614/18]

\*668. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to amend the Public Health (Alcohol) Bill 2015, to include a ban on below invoice cost selling in view of the fact that minimum unit pricing will be delayed pending the formation of a power sharing executive in Northern Ireland in order to ensure the practice of retailing cheap alcohol at below cost cannot continue in the short-term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24617/18]

\*669. To ask the Minister for Health his views on introducing a ban on below invoice cost selling of alcohol to augment minimum unit pricing in view of concerns that minimum unit pricing will not impact the pricing of premium branded alcoholic products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24619/18]

\*670. To ask the Minister for Health his views on introducing a ban on below invoice cost selling of alcohol in view of the fact that minimum unit pricing would still legally allow for a six pack of beer to be discounted by as much as €4.50 from its invoice cost which could not happen if there was a ban on below invoice cost selling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24620/18]

\*671. To ask the Minister for Health the average height of children here aged between 6 to 18 years of age according to Irish data or comparative international data which his Department has access to by age bracket and gender in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24621/18]

\*672. To ask the Minister for Health the rationale for the selection of a 1.2 metres separating barrier contained under section 22 of the Public Health (Alcohol) Bill 2015; if this was developed using scientific best practices; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24622/18]

\*673. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the reason a 1.2 metres separating barrier contained under section 22 of the Public Health (Alcohol) Bill 2015 will reduce the visibility of alcohol to children in view of the fact that the height of the barrier equates to the height of a seven year old according to recent UK statistics (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24623/18]

\*674. To ask the Minister for Health the budget set aside to roll out the three year action plan for the NDS from 2017 to 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24626/18]

\*675. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the prescribing of sodium valproate to treat epileptic disease and seizures in respect of women that are pregnant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24643/18]

\*676. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for an angiogram for a person (details supplied) will be scheduled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [24644/18]

\*677. To ask the Minister for Health the number of health care assistants in the community in an area (details supplied); the number of vacancies for these positions in the area; the number of



unfilled posts for these positions in the area; the position regarding the national rolling recruitment campaign in respect of these posts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24645/18]

\*678. To ask the Minister for Health the number of public health nurses working in the community with the elderly in an area (details supplied); the number of vacancies for such posts; the number of unfilled positions; if the national rolling recruitment campaign is being availed of in this region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24646/18]

\*679. To ask the Minister for Health the procedure in place for the approval of medicinal cannabis oil for individual persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24654/18]

\*680. To ask the Minister for Health if there are difficulties with the recruitment of medical scientists in the biochemistry and haematology departments in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda. — Thomas Byrne. [24655/18]

\*681. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE has recently advertised for medical scientists in the biochemistry and haematology departments in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda. — Thomas Byrne. [24656/18]

\*682. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 60 of 19 April 2018, the details regarding the circumstances of the entry of a person (details supplied) into State care including their transfer to St. Stephen's Hospital, Glanmire, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [24658/18]

\*683. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application for capital funding for a project (details supplied) in County Donegal; if the appraisal unit assessing the application has now received all outstanding documentation in relation to the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [24660/18]

\*684. To ask the Minister for Health his views on providing medical cards to those with spinal cord injuries in view of the long-term and varied consequences of spinal cord injuries; if the matter will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [24662/18]

\*685. To ask the Minister for Health the number of community registered general nurses working in the community (details supplied); the number of vacancies for such posts; the number of unfilled positions; if the national rolling recruitment campaign is being availed of in the region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24665/18]

\*686. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for a home care package; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24666/18]

\*687. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to implement new measures to allow faster access to the child and adolescent mental health services in order to tackle increasing waiting lists such as permitting advanced nurse practitioners to carry out initial assessments to the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24684/18]

\*688. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 381 and 382 of 15 May 2018, the laboratories which were the subject of site visits in 2011 and 2014. — Bríd Smith. [24693/18]

\*689. To ask the Minister for Health the position in relation to the approval of new medicines for persons with multiple sclerosis; his plans for reforms to address delays in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24696/18]

\*690. To ask the Minister for Health the status of progress regarding the fair deal scheme in respect of farm assets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24698/18]

\*691. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in counties Roscommon and Galway in receipt of home help support; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24700/18]

\*692. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in counties Roscommon and Galway respectively, on the waiting list for home help support; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24701/18]

\*693. To ask the Minister for Health the number of home help hours allocated to counties Roscommon and Galway in each of the years 2015 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Peter Burke. [24702/18]

\*694. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration has been given to appointing a dietician for north County Kildare specifically as a support service for children with autism; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [24710/18]

\*695. 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. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24711/18]

\*696. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (detail supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24717/18]

\*697. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the progress being made to allocate additional advanced nurse practitioners to deliver adult and children's' diabetes care service at Letterkenny and Sligo university hospitals; when the additional posts are likely to be filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [24745/18]

\*698. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a recruitment embargo in operation for HSE south; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [24761/18]

\*699. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the provision of home help or home care packages when a person (details supplied) is below 65 years of age but suffers from various diseases including partial blindness and multiple sclerosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [24766/18]

\*700. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 187 of 17 May 2018, if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the position of at least some families is that they were not communicated with appropriately or kept informed. — Clare Daly. [24770/18]

\*701. To ask the Minister for Health when the persons appointed to the two ANP posts confirmed for diabetes care in County Donegal will take up their posts. — Louise O'Reilly. [24775/18]

\*702. To ask the Minister for Health if County Donegal has the requisite numbers of adults and children with diabetes types 1 and 2 to merit the locating of a centre of excellence for diabetes care at Letterkenny University Hospital. — Louise O'Reilly. [24776/18]

\*703. To ask the Minister for Health the number of nursing staff at Buncrana nursing unit, County Donegal in comparison to 2016 and 2017; and if all beds within the unit are operational. — Louise O'Reilly. [24777/18]

\*704. To ask the Minister for Health the number of nursing staff at Carndonagh Community Hospital, County Donegal in comparison to 2016 and 2017; and if all beds within the hospital are operational. — Louise O'Reilly. [24778/18]

\*705. To ask the Minister for Health the number of nursing staff at Ramelton nursing unit, County Donegal in comparison to 2016 and 2017; and if all beds within the unit are operational. — Louise O'Reilly. [24779/18]

\*706. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which the €1 million allocated in budget 2018 for the Sláintecare implementation office has been spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [24780/18]

\*707. To ask the Minister for Health if a home care package will be facilitated in the case of a person (details supplied); if this case will be facilitated at an early date in view of the anxiousness of their family to have them home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24789/18]

\*708. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the state of industrial relations in the UL hospital group especially Dooradoyle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [24793/18]

\*709. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the HSE has failed to deal with an employee of the HSE at UHL (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [24796/18]

\*710. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 187 of 17 May 2018, if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the position of the chairman of the incident group as of 24 May 2018 was that they were unable to give a date for the release of the report and that it was still being finalised as of that date; and when the report will be released in view of the fact that it was to have been published in the week beginning 21 May 2018. — Clare Daly. [24798/18]

\*711. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department has been consulted on proposed EU comments on draft Codex guidelines on the use of front-of-pack nutrition labelling; if his Department has received a request to send DG SANTE an update of an earlier survey sent out in the context of the REFIT evaluation of the Nutrition and Health Claims Regulation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [24799/18]

\*712. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will be represented at the second meeting on front-of-pack nutrition labelling which will take place end of June 2018 or early July 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [24800/18]

\*713. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to meet with stakeholders on the use of front-of-pack nutrition labelling as part of the European Commission's work underway on same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [24801/18]

\*714. To ask the Minister for Health when he plans to publish a Sláintecare implementation plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [24807/18]

\*715. To ask the Minister for Health if a task force was set up by the HSE or his Department to examine individualised funding for persons with disabilities including intellectual disabilities; if so, if it was completed; the decision made in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [24808/18]

\*716. To ask the Minister for Health if an appeal by a person (details supplied) will be examined following a nursing homes support scheme review; if the supporting documentation will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [24813/18]

\*717. To ask the Minister for Health the services available to assist young adults with a disability such as a person (details supplied) that had been availing of school transport accessing their continuing education as before; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [24817/18]

\*718. To ask the Minister for Health if a new state of the art primary care centre will be provided in Maynooth, County Kildare (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24833/18]

\*719. To ask the Minister for Health if EpiPens are covered on the medical card; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24841/18]

\*720. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has not yet received an assessment. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24842/18]

\*721. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive orthodontic treatment which was identified when they were in primary school and was not delivered at that time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24844/18]

\*722. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be made available to an organisation (details supplied) in County Donegal, in view of a recent meeting that took place between the organisation and the Minister of State for Disability Issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [24845/18]

\*723. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be facilitated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Breen. [24846/18]

\*724. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) in County Cork will have an assessment of need carried out; the number they are on the waiting list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24861/18]

\*725. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be facilitated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Breen. [24862/18]

\*726. To ask the Minister for Health the home help supports a person (details supplied) might be entitled to; if an assessment of need will be conducted as a priority to determine the level of supports required; if these supports will be delivered within the recommended timeframe; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [24865/18]

\*727. To ask the Minister for Health when the HSE will arrange a meeting with its officials, an organisation and the family representatives of a person (details supplied) to discuss the person's care plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [24868/18]

\*728. To ask the Minister for Health the penalties applying to breaches of the codes of practice for Non-Broadcast Media Advertising and Marketing of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages including Sponsorship and Retail Product Placement; the reason the codes are voluntary and not compulsory; the proportion of the food industry and relevant media that are signed up to them; the basis on which the broadcast media are excluded from the provisions of the codes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24894/18]

\*729. To ask the Minister for Health the codes of practice in place to specifically ensure that foods high in fat, sugar and salt are marketed and advertised in a responsible way in broadcast media; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24895/18]

\*730. To ask the Minister for Health the timeframe for the provision of a primary care centre in Kinlough (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [24897/18]

\*731. To ask the Minister for Health the companies that have signed up to the Codes of Practice for Non-Broadcast Media Advertising and Marketing of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages including Sponsorship and Retail Product Placement; and the companies that have withdrawn from the codes. — Róisín Shortall. [24898/18]

\*732. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to include a protest exclusion zone as part of the legislation to be enacted following the recent referendum in the interests of the mental health and personal safety of both patients and health care providers in addition to on data protection grounds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24901/18]

\*733. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the sections of the Children and Family Relationships Act 2015 which have not yet been commenced further to concerns raised by an organisation (details supplied) on behalf of same-sex couples; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24903/18]

\*734. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide alternative respite care whilst the renovations of the Boyne View Centre, Drogheda is being refurbished; the details of the project; his further plans to minimise the impact to service users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [24904/18]

\*735. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for five hours home help; and when they can expect a decision on their case. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [24911/18]

\*736. To ask the Minister for Health if, in view of the previous history of rogue abortion counselling services and the general lack of proper psychological services in this area, he will further prioritise professional services for women considering abortion in addition to the speedy

and effective rolling out of the arrangements for the statutory registration of counsellors and psychotherapists; the timeline up to the point of the actual registration of individual practitioners and the protection of titles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [24915/18]

\*737. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has not yet been contacted in relation to securing a place in school. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24916/18]

\*738. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 305 of 6 February 2018, the reason students that started after 2012 are not entitled to transport to assist them getting to and from the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24917/18]

\*739. To ask the Minister for Health if a primary care psychologist will be found during a period (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24918/18]

\*740. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) is entitled to convalescent care for post-operation from Tullamore General Hospital. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24919/18]

\*741. To ask the Minister for Health if a situation relating to transport for a person (details supplied) in County Kildare will be examined. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24920/18]

\*742. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in Cork city and county on the waiting list for an assessment of need; the number waiting by periods (details supplied) in each HSE area in the county; the expected waiting time for a child being put on the waiting list today by each HSE area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24921/18]

\*743. To ask the Minister for Health if in the case of a fair deal scheme being granted to an applicant, if the money can be backdated to the day of application in the event that the applicant had to go into a nursing home in advance of the decision on application being made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [24931/18]

\*744. To ask the Minister for Health the position a person (details supplied) is on the waiting list for urgent back surgery in both Mayo University Hospital and University Hospital Galway; the estimated waiting time for this surgical procedure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [24938/18]

\*745. To ask the Minister for Health the position of Ireland in relation to the World Health Organisation's International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes or later updates of this code; and the way in which Ireland endeavours to meet the requirements of the code. — Róisín Shortall. [24946/18]

\*746. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 798 of 17 April 2018, when the seven remaining rooms will be operational and fully staffed before the end of 2018 in view of the clear need for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24972/18]

\*747. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the current general medical services general practitioner in Carnew, County Wicklow has retired earlier than



originally anticipated; the position regarding the recruitment of a replacement general medical services general practitioner for the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [24977/18]

\*748. To ask the Minister for Health when IVF funding will be provided; if there is pending legislation in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [24983/18]

\*749. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which his Department is engaging with the Department of Justice and Equality in relation to section 32 of the Data Protection Act 2018, specifically on the provision for the drawing up of codes of conduct intended to contribute to proper application of GDPR with regard to the processing of the personal data of children for the purposes of direct marketing and creating personality and user profiles (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [24992/18]

\*750. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to section 32 of the Data Protection Act 2018, specifically regarding the provision for the drawing up of codes of conduct intended to contribute to proper application of GDPR with regard to the processing of the personal data of children for the purposes of direct marketing and creating personality and user profiles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [24993/18]

\*751. To ask the Minister for Health if the families of the 74 persons that died as a result of CPE in University Hospital Limerick were provided with full information in regard to the risks of CPE colonisation, the precautions required to prevent its spread and the mortality risk when CPE enters the bloodstream following detection of CPE colonisation; and if the external review into the deaths of these persons examined whether full information was provided to families in this regard. — Clare Daly. [24996/18]

\*752. To ask the Minister for Health if the families of the 74 persons that died as a result of CPE in University Hospital Limerick were informed that an external review into the deaths was underway and were kept informed as the review progressed. — Clare Daly. [24997/18]

\*753. To ask the Minister for Health if University Hospital Limerick had in place prior to the commencement of the external review into the deaths of 74 persons in whom CPE colonisation was detected, a documented system for informing persons of the risks of CPE, the precautions necessary to prevent its spread and the need to alert other healthcare facilities visited by the person of the fact of CPE colonisation upon admission to that facility. — Clare Daly. [24998/18]

\*754. To ask the Minister for Health if a child (details supplied) in County Cork can access speech and language therapy pending their assessment of need being carried out in view of the fact that it is likely to be some time away. — Michael McGrath. [25001/18]

\*755. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 142 of 30 May 2018, if a follow-up will be made on an incident (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [25003/18]

\*756. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment for a brain scan at Cork University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25007/18]

\*757. To ask the Minister for Health when a FreeStyle Libre device will issue to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25009/18]



\*758. To ask the Minister for Health when the review regarding the level of nursing home support payable in the case of a person (details supplied) is likely to be concluded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25012/18]

\*759. To ask the Minister for Health if a medical card application appeal by a person (details supplied) will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [25015/18]

\*760. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 164 of 9 May 2018; the reason a response has yet to issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [25016/18]

\*761. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 171 of 10 May 2018, the reason a response has yet to issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [25017/18]

\*762. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the waiting time for appointments to access the adult mental health services via Balbriggan primary care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25033/18]

\*763. To ask the Minister for Health if first responders are reimbursed for expenses incurred specifically in terms of motor expenses and motor insurance costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25036/18]

\*764. To ask the Minister for Health the status of changes proposed to the fair deal scheme to facilitate changes for farmers and small business owners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [25038/18]

\*765. To ask the Minister for Health the medicines not available to persons suffering from multiple sclerosis that are available in other EU member states; the reason for this; the engagement he plans to have with an organisation (details supplied), other EU states and the pharmaceutical industry to ensure that the drugs are available and licenced here and covered by the GMS scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25040/18]

\*766. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to move the cervical screening process to a HPV test; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that many clinicians internationally (details supplied) recommend co-testing pap plus HPV; if consideration has been given to same; the costs and so on of co-testing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [25049/18]

\*767. To ask the Minister for Health the scientific evidence and the bodies from which evidence has been gathered that has assisted him to arrive at the decision to opt for a HPV only based test in the future. — Bríd Smith. [25050/18]

\*768. To ask the Minister for Health if he or the HSE has costed the replacement of the national screening program with a HPV based test; and if co-testing of HPV and pap has also been costed. — Bríd Smith. [25051/18]

\*769. To ask the Minister for Health if HPV testing will be carried out by laboratories here and under a tendering process similar to the current regime. — Bríd Smith. [25052/18]

\*770. To ask the Minister for Health if new HPV testing will be standardised across all laboratories in order to ensure that variation in detection rates does not reoccur between laboratories. — Bríd Smith. [25053/18]

\*771. To ask the Minister for Health if public laboratories based here will be able to conduct the new HPV testing; the provisions being made to increase the capacity and infrastructure of laboratories based here to deal with the work; and if he has examined the need for future graduate programs in universities and the need for on-site facilities and training in hospitals. — Bríd Smith. [25054/18]

\*772. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which his Department has engaged with industry to explore ways in which new medicines can be more easily introduced here; his plans to update statutory provisions in place regarding the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [25060/18]

\*773. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Clare will receive an appointment for knee surgery in Croom Hospital, Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [25065/18]

\*774. To ask the Minister for Health if the home care package funding available to CHO 7 will be reviewed with a view to increasing it (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [25070/18]

\*775. To ask the Minister for Health if funding is in place for one full-time multiple sclerosis specialist nurse position in University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [25093/18]

\*776. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce legislation to comply with recommendation 2.2 of the ESRI's Delivery of Pharmaceuticals in Ireland (details supplied). — Róisín Shortall. [25097/18]

\*777. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE uses debt collection agencies and or appointed persons to collect outstanding fees or bills of persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [25101/18]

\*778. To ask the Minister for Health the agreement reached by his Department with SVUH in relation to the national maternity hospital; if, and the way in which under the terms of the agreement the national maternity hospital is to retain its status as a private or voluntary Catholic hospital; and the way in which and the way in which it is worded under the terms of the agreement, the ethos and values of an organisation (details supplied) is to be guaranteed. — Clare Daly. [25111/18]

\*779. To ask the Minister for Health if he has recently met with an organisation (details supplied); and if so, the outcome of the meeting. — John Curran. [25114/18]

\*780. To ask the Minister for Health the grants or financial supports that are available for groups seeking to purchase and install automated external defibrillators in public spaces, sports clubs and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [25117/18]

\*781. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which he plans to address the wait time for drugs to be approved for persons with MS; if he will engage with an organisation (details supplied) and

the pharmaceutical industry to ensure new medicines are available to persons with the condition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [25118/18]

\*782. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the progress to date in implementing a public access defibrillation programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [25122/18]

\*783. To ask the Minister for Health the regulations placed on nursing homes by HIQA for dementia patients; the way in which this differs from non-dementia patients; if there is a requirement for extra nursing and care workers for dementia patients; if there is a requirement for secured accommodation for dementia patients; the average extra cost for a nursing home to accept a dementia patient; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25128/18]

\*784. To ask the Minister for Health the rules in relation to the fair deal scheme for nursing homes with regard to the prices agreed between nursing homes and the National Treatment Purchase Fund; if there is a difference between a dementia patient and a non-dementia patient; if there is a difference in the subvention provided to nursing homes for accepting a dementia patient and a non-dementia patient as a consequence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25129/18]

\*785. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant places with secured accommodation in public nursing homes, private and voluntary nursing homes, respectively in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25130/18]

\*786. To ask the Minister for Health the number of secured accommodation places in public nursing homes, private and voluntary nursing homes, respectively in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25131/18]

\*787. To ask the Minister for Health the number of dementia patients on waiting lists for secured accommodation in public nursing homes private and voluntary nursing homes, respectively in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25132/18]

\*788. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) has received a hearing aid from the HSE. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25133/18]

\*789. To ask the Minister for Health the detail of the recent changes to children’s eye care services for children aged 12 to 16 years of age; the impact these changes have had on the provision of care for this cohort; his views on whether commercial opticians have the necessary expertise to treat children with specialised ongoing ophthalmic conditions; if the reintroduction of vouchers to help cover the cost of glasses for this age cohort will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25135/18]

\*790. To ask the Minister for Health if concerns (details supplied) regarding type 1 diabetes services in University Hospital Kerry will be addressed; if the solutions suggested will be implemented; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [25140/18]

\*791. To ask the Minister for Health if funding for a rape crisis outreach centre in County Meath will be provided (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [25141/18]

\*792. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application for respite care by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25142/18]

\*793. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention or the attention of the HSE has been drawn to the case and or treatment of a person (details supplied) at Waterford University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [25143/18]

\*794. To ask the Minister for Health if in the development of a healthcare assistance apprentice programme an organisation (details supplied) will be centrally involved in the development and implementation of it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25144/18]

\*795. To ask the Minister for Health if the cut in funding to an organisation (details supplied) will be reversed. — Peadar Tóibín. [25146/18]

\*796. To ask the Minister for Health if the case of a child (details supplied) waiting to be assessed will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25150/18]

\*797. To ask the Minister for Health when a monitoring body will be set up to monitor the voluntary codes of practice on the marketing of food and non-alcoholic beverages; the timeframe for the designation of the body; and the timeframe for the development of guidelines for implementation of the code. — Denise Mitchell. [25168/18]

\*798. To ask the Minister for Health the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25180/18]

\*799. To ask the Minister for Health the number of respite beds available to persons with intellectual disabilities in County Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [25193/18]

\*800. To ask the Minister for Health his plans in budget 2019 to increase the number of respite beds available for older persons that are dependant on a carer; his further plans to expand the allocation from two weeks to four weeks per annum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [25194/18]

\*801. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding an incapacitated patient of a private nursing that is unable to travel by car to a hospital for a medical appointment of accessing transport by ambulance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25197/18]

\*802. To ask the Minister for Health the number and location of hospitals operating under the full capacity protocol; the timeframe the protocol has been in place in each location; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25201/18]

\*803. To ask the Minister for Health the status of and likely publication date for the development of a three year unscheduled care plan for the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25208/18]

\*804. To ask the Minister for Health the status of additional measures to be included in the 2018 winter initiative; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25209/18]

\*805. To ask the Minister for Health the KPIs on a daily, weekly and monthly basis as appropriate for admitted, non-admitted PET, 9 hour to 24 hour breaches and delayed discharges (details supplied) to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25210/18]

\*806. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of a centralised repository supported by the national document control system for the management of the HSE national PPPGs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25211/18]

\*807. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of family forums and residents' councils across each CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25212/18]

\*808. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of a contract management support unit for section 38 and 39 organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25213/18]

\*809. To ask the Minister for Health the publication date of the HSE's report on estates maintenance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25214/18]

\*810. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the completion of analysis of the various cohorts of consultants not on the Medical Council Specialist Register; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25215/18]

\*811. To ask the Minister for Health the known level of compliance with the HSE consultants qualification; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25216/18]

\*812. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the abolition of a specific clause (details supplied). — Kevin O'Keeffe. [25217/18]

\*813. To ask the Minister for Health the number of public health nurses by area within the north County Dublin area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [25221/18]

\*814. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will engage with an organisation (details supplied) and the pharmaceutical industry to ensure that new medicines are available to persons with multiple sclerosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25231/18]

\*815. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of the budget dedicated to home care support in the CHO 7 region for 2018 that has been spent to date in the second quarter of 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25233/18]

\*816. To ask the Minister for Health the budget allocated to home care support in the CHO 6 region for 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25234/18]

\*817. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of the budget dedicated to home care support in the CHO 6 region for 2018 that was spent in the first quarter of 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25235/18]

\*818. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of the budget dedicated to home care support in the CHO 6 region for 2018 that has been spent to date in the second quarter of 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25236/18]

\*819. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that are waitlisted and priority waitlisted for home care support in the CHO 7 region in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25237/18]

\*820. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that are waitlisted and priority waitlisted for home care support in the CHO 6 region in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25238/18]

\*821. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase the budget available for home care support in the CHO 7 region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25239/18]

\*822. To ask the Minister for Health the number of midwifery and obstetrician-gynaecologist staff employed in the maternity unit of South Tipperary General Hospital; the number employed in each of the past five years; the number of births in the past five years; the number of unfilled or vacant posts; the length of time that such posts have remained vacant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25258/18]

\*823. To ask the Minister for Health the number of midwifery and obstetrician-gynaecologist staff employed by the HSE; the maternity units they are attached to; the number employed in each of the past five years; the number of births over the past five years by maternity hospital; the number of unfilled or vacant posts in maternity units nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25259/18]

\*824. To ask the Minister for Health if night time seizure assistance and accommodation will be provided for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25262/18]

\*825. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase the €500 eligibility limit for receipt of a medical card by a single person over 70 years of age and the €900 limit for a couple; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25271/18]

\*826. To ask the Minister for Health the reviews that have taken place of the income thresholds for medical cards; if no review has taken place, when is it expected that one will be carried out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25272/18]

\*827. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons over 70 and 80 years of age, respectively that hold a medical card; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25273/18]

\*828. 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. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25275/18]

\*829. To ask the Minister for Health the number of FOI requests for medical files that have been made from women affected by the CervicalCheck controversy or the families of such women; the number of requests approved; the number of requests pending; the steps he is taking to assist these women in accessing their full medical files; the process for this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25277/18]

\*830. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the discretionary medical cards granted to women affected by the CervicalCheck controversy; if the medical cards are only granted to women; if their spouses and children are also eligible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25278/18]



\*831. To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for the introduction of mandatory open disclosure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25279/18]

\*832. To ask the Minister for Health the number of the 114 assistant psychologist posts and 20 psychologist posts that have been filled (details supplied); the locations in which these posts will be based; when the remaining posts will be filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [25284/18]

\*833. To ask the Minister for Health the impact the announced psychologist posts will have for children and young persons that are trying to access CAMHS services in County Louth; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [25285/18]

\*834. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the undertaking of the HSE to examine the scope for improved ways of working through a service improvement initiative for counselling in primary care (details supplied); the outreach the HSE has undertaken with community service providers in each CHO area; the locations in which the HSE envisages these services will be rolled out; the estimated cost of same; and when the HSE expects the scoping exercise to be completed. — Gerry Adams. [25286/18]

\*835. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce a computerised cognitive behavioural programme; the engagement that has taken place with healthcare providers in each CHO area in advance of the initiative; the locations in which the programme will be rolled out; the additional resources that will be provided to enable same; the estimated overall cost of the programme; and when it is expected to be operational. — Gerry Adams. [25287/18]

\*836. To ask the Minister for Health when he plans to introduce a dedicated mental health telephone and text line in 2018 in addition to a pilot telepsych initiative that will deliver mental health treatment and therapies online; the specific areas in which the phone, text and pilot service will be rolled out; if additional resources will be provided for these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [25288/18]

\*837. To ask the Minister for Health if he has had or plans to have meetings with pharmaceutical companies regarding the availability of new drugs for persons with multiple sclerosis; the outcome of meetings that may have taken place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25289/18]

\*838. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients that have applied for the FreeStyle Libre sensor for the monitoring of type 1 diabetes since the product's approval for young persons between 4 and 21 years of age under the reimbursement scheme; the number that have been approved since 3 April 2018; the information that has been given to type 1 diabetics regarding the product; and the reason he has not approved the product for all type 1 diabetics in view of the fact that the product is tested and proven to be cost effective. — Peadar Tóibín. [25291/18]

\*839. To ask the Minister for Health if an open recruitment process for the role of CEO of University of Limerick Hospitals was followed prior to the appointment of a new CEO in 2014. — Clare Daly. [25319/18]

\*840. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a recent policy change by the National Ambulance Service whereby in the event of an emergency, the National Emergency Operations Centre issue just one SMS to a single nominee of all relevant community first responder groups in the locality of the emergency; if his attention has been further drawn to the delayed response

times of community first responder groups to emergencies due to the change; if his attention has been drawn to the increased administrative burden that the change is imposing on local voluntary groups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [25330/18]

\*841. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding services for children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25332/18]

\*842. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment with an occupational therapist for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25343/18]

\*843. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited. — Peter Burke. [25346/18]

\*844. To ask the Minister for Health if the NMBI sanctioned a person (details supplied) in 2015 following a fitness to practice hearing. — Clare Daly. [25347/18]

\*845. To ask the Minister for Health if public money is being used to fund an appeal by a person (details supplied) of the outcome of the NMBI decision made in 2015 in regard to fitness to practice. — Clare Daly. [25348/18]

\*846. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff allocated to a respite centre (details supplied) in County Donegal; if there is sufficient staff in place in order to be able to operate the centre at full capacity; the number of places available at the centre when it is at full capacity; the number of full-time care staff at the centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25352/18]

\*847. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding a commitment that was given to a person (details supplied) by the HSE in County Donegal to have full-time residential care in place by May 2018; the reason this has not occurred; when it is likely that this full-time residential care will be made available to them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25369/18]

\*848. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the definition of close family member in the proposed legislation regulating assisted human reproduction does not include first cousins or individuals related by marriage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25383/18]

\*849. To ask the Minister for Health the costs associated with the implementation of the maternity and infant care scheme for each of the past four years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25384/18]

\*850. To ask the Minister for Health when funding will be made available for a residential placement for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [25419/18]

\*851. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive a hospital appointment. — Barry Cowen. [25426/18]

\*852. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) who has been waiting on a home care package for some months will be awarded same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [25435/18]

\*853. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of abolishing the €100 charge for the use of emergency departments; and the estimated cost of abolishing the €75 day charge of inpatient care. — Louise O'Reilly. [25436/18]

\*854. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of increasing respite care hours by 10%, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [25437/18]

\*855. To ask the Minister for Health the funding for the public dental service in each of the years 2006 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form; his plans to increase this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25438/18]

\*856. To ask the Minister for Health the annual expenditure on the public dental service in each of the years 2008 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Louise O'Reilly. [25439/18]

\*857. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting lists for physiotherapy, occupational therapy and psychology services in north County Dublin by children and youth services and adult services in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25440/18]

\*858. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting lists for dentistry and orthodontic services in north County Dublin by children and youth services and adult services in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25441/18]

\*859. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on the general waiting list for orthodontic diagnostics at Merlin Park, University Hospital Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25442/18]

\*860. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on the general waiting list for orthodontic diagnostics at University Hospital Galway due to the lack of a suitable dental x-ray machine in the radiography department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25443/18]

\*861. To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting time for orthodontic treatment by HSE area in each of the years 2008 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Louise O'Reilly. [25444/18]

\*862. To ask the Minister for Health the funding for the Health Service Executive orthodontic service in each of the years 2006 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form; the estimated cost of extending the direct provision of orthodontic treatment to children with less severe needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25445/18]

\*863. To ask the Minister for Health the number of private ambulances operating here; the hospital or hospital group they are working with; and the amount spent on private ambulances by hospital or hospital group in each of the years 2010 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Louise O'Reilly. [25446/18]

\*864. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ultra sonographers operating in maternity hospitals by community hospital organisation and maternity hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25447/18]

\*865. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding an assessment of needs for a child (details supplied) at HSE south Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seamus Healy. [25449/18]

\*866. To ask the Minister for Health the number of speech and language therapists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists and psychologists required to eliminate waiting lists in accordance with the Disability Act 2005; and the estimated cost in this regard. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [25466/18]

\*867. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied); the measures the HSE will undertake to ensure that the needs of the person and the wishes of their parents are met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [25467/18]

\*868. To ask the Minister for Health the number of psychiatric consultants working within CAMHS at University Hospital Waterford in each of the years 2015 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [25468/18]

\*869. To ask the Minister for Health if there are vacant consultant posts associated with CAMHS unit at UHW; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [25469/18]

\*870. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children placed in an adult psychiatric ward at UHW in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, by month in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [25470/18]

\*871. To ask the Minister for Health if the expansion of a clinic at a hospital will be considered in view of the fact that it does not cater for all persons in County Donegal dependent on their condition (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25473/18]

\*872. To ask the Minister for Health the committed capital spend for health in each of the years 2018 to 2024, in tabular form; and the projects it will be spent on. — Louise O'Reilly. [25475/18]

\*873. To ask the Minister for Health the capital cost of a hospital bed; the estimated fully absorbed cost of a hospital bed including staff, ancillary services and running costs; and the capital costs associated with opening new beds. — Louise O'Reilly. [25476/18]

\*874. To ask the Minister for Health the spend on homecare packages for 2018; and the estimated cost of increasing home care packages by 10% in one year based on current spend on home care packages. — Louise O'Reilly. [25477/18]

\*875. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of ensuring that maternity hospitals have access to foetal anomaly screening with the requisite staff and equipment; and the estimated cost of employing additional sonographers and other personnel required for rolling out anomaly screening to each of the 19 maternity units. — Louise O'Reilly. [25478/18]

\*876. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing an advanced paramedic. — Louise O'Reilly. [25479/18]

\*877. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated spend on home help hours for 2018; and the estimated cost of increasing home help hours by 10% in one year based on current spend on home help. — Louise O'Reilly. [25480/18]

\*878. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated unit cost of hiring 100 nurses on an average nurse's pay grade. — Louise O'Reilly. [25481/18]

\*879. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated unit cost of hiring 100 midwives on an average midwife's pay grade. — Louise O'Reilly. [25482/18]

\*880. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of hiring 100 occupational therapists on the average occupational therapist pay grade. — Louise O'Reilly. [25483/18]

\*881. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of hiring 100 speech and language therapists on the average position pay grade. — Louise O'Reilly. [25484/18]

\*882. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of hiring 10 dentists on the average dentists pay grade. — Louise O'Reilly. [25485/18]

\*883. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of hiring 100 physiotherapists on the average physiotherapist's pay grade. — Louise O'Reilly. [25487/18]

\*884. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing a staff nurse. — Louise O'Reilly. [25488/18]

\*885. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing an occupational therapist. — Louise O'Reilly. [25489/18]

\*886. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing a speech and language therapist. — Louise O'Reilly. [25490/18]

\*887. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing a midwife. — Louise O'Reilly. [25491/18]

\*888. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing an obstetrician or gynaecologist. — Louise O'Reilly. [25492/18]

\*889. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing a physiotherapist. — Louise O'Reilly. [25493/18]

\*890. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing a psychologist. — Louise O'Reilly. [25494/18]

\*891. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of employing a dietary technician. — Louise O'Reilly. [25495/18]

\*892. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated unit cost of hiring ten orthodontists on an average orthodontist's pay grade. — Louise O'Reilly. [25496/18]

\*893. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of purchasing, equipping and staffing 12 new ambulances. — Louise O'Reilly. [25497/18]

\*894. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in Galway city and county receiving support under the nursing homes support scheme; the number that have a principal private residence

included in their financial assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [25499/18]

\*895. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has yet to receive notice of a rescheduled appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [25500/18]

\*896. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for surgery for hip and knee replacements post the initial outpatients consultation by an orthopaedic consultant in Letterkenny University Hospital, County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25502/18]

\*897. To ask the Minister for Health if patients that have undergone bariatric surgery are entitled to a follow-up surgery to remove excess skin; the number of patients on the waiting list for assessment for skin removal surgery; the length of time they have been waiting; the number of patients that have been assessed and referred for this surgery awaiting treatment; the length of time they have been waiting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [25507/18]

\*898. To ask the Minister for Health the hospitals in which skin removal operations are carried out; and the medics that perform the procedure. — Gerry Adams. [25508/18]

\*899. To ask the Minister for Health the number of operations for the removal of excess skin following bariatric surgery that have been carried out in each of the past five years; the number that were carried out to date in 2018; and the number scheduled for the remainder of 2018. — Gerry Adams. [25509/18]

\*900. To ask the Minister for Health if it is HSE policy that patients requiring plastic surgery following cancer treatment are prioritised over patients requiring similar surgery following bariatric surgery. — Gerry Adams. [25510/18]

\*901. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to carry out a baseline health study in the Cork harbour area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25512/18]

\*902. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the assisted human reproduction Bill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [25513/18]

\*903. To ask the Minister for Health the number of deaths which have occurred in the UL Hospital, Dooradoyle, County Limerick whilst the patient was undergoing a procedure in each of the years 2010 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [25514/18]

\*904. To ask the Minister for Health the number of medical negligence legal actions taken against the State, him and individual medical or nursing staff that were or are based at the UL Hospital, Dooradoyle, County Limerick in each of the years 2010 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [25515/18]

\*905. To ask the Minister for Health the number of medical negligence legal actions taken against the State, the Minister for Health and individual medical or nursing staff that were or are based at the UL Hospital, Dooradoyle, County Limerick in each of the years 2010 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [25516/18]



\*906. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 771 of 17 April 2018, the number of persons on the EMT waiting list at the Mater Hospital; the length of time they have been waiting; and the number waiting for treatment in each consecutive month. — Peadar Tóibín. [25517/18]

\*907. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ultrasound machines in maternity hospitals by community health organisation and individual maternity hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25518/18]

\*908. To ask the Minister for Health the age profile of every ultrasound machine in maternity hospitals by machine and maternity hospital in which it is located in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25519/18]

\*909. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ultrasound machines in maternity hospitals; the way in which this compares to the number required to meet the Birthrate Plus standard in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25520/18]

\*910. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ultra sonographers operating in maternity hospitals; the way in which this compares to the number required to meet the Birthrate Plus standard in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25521/18]

\*911. To ask the Minister for Health the number of foetal medicine experts operating in maternity hospitals; the way in which this compares to the number required to meet the Birthrate Plus standard in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25522/18]

\*912. To ask the Minister for Health the number of 20 week foetal anomaly scans carried out in maternity hospitals in each of the years 2010 to 2017 and to date in 2018, by community health organisation and individual maternity hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25523/18]

\*913. To ask the Minister for Health the number of foetal medicine experts operating in maternity hospitals by community health organisation and individual maternity hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25524/18]

\*914. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of increasing the HSE information technology budget to bring it to the EU and OECD averages, respectively; the estimated cost of increasing the HSE information technology budget by an average of 2%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25525/18]

\*915. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of funding and implementing the National Maternity Strategy; and if a breakdown of spending costs will be provided. — Louise O'Reilly. [25526/18]

\*916. To ask the Minister for Health if the estimate of the cost of introducing free general practitioner care for all persons was between €330 million and €365 million, excluding those younger than six and older than 70 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25527/18]

\*917. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated costs of introducing free general practitioner care to all persons based on the current scope, fee structure and payments to general practitioners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25528/18]

\*918. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of awarding medical cards for all adults with disabilities. — Louise O'Reilly. [25529/18]

\*919. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of abolishing prescription charges; the estimated cost of the phased abolition of charges by 50 cent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25530/18]

\*920. To ask the Minister for Health the emergency department waiting times greater than 24 hours for persons over 75 years of age in 2018; if the targets were met; if not, the number of persons over 75 years of age that have had a wait of more than 24 hours in an emergency department in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25531/18]

\*921. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons aged 75 years of age or over that experienced an emergency department waiting time of more than 24 hours in 2017 and to date in 2018; the hospital in which this occurred by month; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25532/18]

\*922. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE target of eliminating emergency department waiting times of greater than 24 hours for persons over 75 years of age was met for 2018; the number of persons over 75 years of age that have had to wait for more than 24 hours in an emergency department in 2018; the hospital in which the wait occurred in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [25533/18]

\*923. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) in County Cork will receive a special needs wheelchair. — Michael McGrath. [25535/18]

\*924. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times to be seen by an orthopaedic consultant for an initial hip and knee consultation in Letterkenny University Hospital, County Donegal for routine and urgent referrals, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25554/18]

\*925. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons (details supplied) that have applied to the scheme since the FreeStyle Libre sensor approval for young persons between 4 to 21 years of age under the reimbursement scheme; the number that have been approved since 3 April 2018 when the product was approved; the information given to type 1 diabetics regarding the product; the reason he has not approved the product for all type 1 diabetics when the product is tested and proven to be cost effective (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [25555/18]

\*926. To ask the Minister for Health his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25573/18]

\*927. To ask the Minister for Health the efforts being made to ensure that new medicines are available to persons with multiple sclerosis as early as possible through a fair and sustainable system; if his Department is engaging with an organisation (details supplied) regarding accessing new and effective treatments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [25580/18]

\*928. To ask the Minister for Health if it is accurate to state that patients wait an average of 348 days for a drug to be approved for public funding and in some cases over four years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [25581/18]

\*929. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the delay in publishing the HSE performance report for quarters in 2017 and to date in 2018. — John Lahart. [25584/18]

\*930. To ask the Minister for Health the reason no general practitioners will be located in the accident and emergency department of Beaumont Hospital, Dublin 9 after midnight; his plans to extend general practitioner access in this department after midnight; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25599/18]

\*931. To ask the Minister for Health the length of time a person (details supplied) is awaiting a dermatologist appointment in Tallaght University Hospital; if the waiting time is usual or excessive; the waiting time to see a dermatologist in the hospital; the number of persons awaiting an appointment with a dermatologist; the steps being taken to alleviate the waiting times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [25601/18]

\*932. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Clare will receive a consultant's appointment at University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [25602/18]

\*933. To ask the Minister for Health when proposed changes in the fair deal scheme outlined in the media in February 2018 will be implemented; the full extent of these changes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25604/18]

\*934. 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. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25616/18]

\*935. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to expand a pilot course for family carers of those with life limiting illnesses; the expected timeline for this expansion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [25621/18]

\*936. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 810 of 16 January 2018, if he will request the HSE to provide the information requested (details supplied). — Bríd Smith. [25622/18]

\*937. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied) who is awaiting assessment for surgery to remove excess skin following bariatric surgery; when they will be called for an assessment; and if necessary, when further surgery will be scheduled. — Gerry Adams. [25624/18]

\*938. To ask the Minister for Health if the proposed legislation on assisted human reproduction will be passed by the end of 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [25643/18]

\*939. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) can expect an appointment. — Barry Cowen. [25659/18]

\*940. To ask the Minister for Health the number of employees in the mental health service by location and grade in counties Louth and Meath; the number of vacancies in both counties by grade

and location; the efforts that have been made to recruit staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [25660/18]

\*941. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the free supply of medicines by pharmaceutical companies to public hospitals; the extent to which this is happening; the guidelines which exist in respect of same; and his views on the appropriateness of such arrangements. — Róisín Shortall. [25711/18]

\*942. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the actions which have been taken in relation to the serious issues raised in the media (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25712/18]

\*943. To ask the Minister for Health the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25734/18]

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

\*944. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the commitment to develop Greencastle Harbour, County Donegal as outlined in Project Ireland 2040; if this commitment involves the completion of the breakwater beside the harbour; when these development works will commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [24973/18]

\*945. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the criteria for attaining a herd number; if these criteria differ in cases in which a new farmer is trying to reactivate a herd number; if there are circumstances in which the farmer can attain the herd number in the absence of a cattle crush; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [24239/18]

\*946. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of checks carried out in relation to compliance with SI 62 of 2016 and the requirement to possess a horse passport in each year since 2016, in tabular form; and the number of instances of non-compliance identified in each year. — Mick Wallace. [24248/18]

\*947. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views in relation to supports for farmers that are purchasing land to consolidate their farm holdings and incentives that can be introduced; when these would have effect in relation to the cost of such consolidation in relation to State levies that may apply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [24258/18]

\*948. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a basic farm payment will be awarded to a farmer (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [24275/18]

\*949. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to reopen the GLAS scheme; if not, the reason therefor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [24294/18]

\*950. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the 2018 funding allocation to the sustainability support and advisory programme by project costs and staff costs; and if the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government's €1 million annual allocation as per Parliamentary Question No. 496 of 8 May 2018 constitutes a separate allocation to the programme. — Charlie McConalogue. [24330/18]

\*951. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a farm payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24346/18]

\*952. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a GLAS payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24393/18]

\*953. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address a matter regarding an ongoing information technology issue in relation to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [24404/18]

\*954. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a farm payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24405/18]

\*955. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24420/18]

\*956. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a foal may be registered without the foal levy being paid. — Clare Daly. [24448/18]

\*957. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of court cases taken by Horse Racing Ireland since the foal levy was introduced seeking recovery of unpaid foal levy charges. — Clare Daly. [24449/18]

\*958. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of kilos of beef killed per week in all factories and abattoirs here. — Peter Burke. [24496/18]

\*959. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of recorded calf births in suckler herds from 1 June 2015 to date in 2018, by year in tabular form. — Peter Burke. [24497/18]

\*960. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason a person (details supplied) has not received a once a year young farmers payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24532/18]

\*961. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24569/18]

\*962. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [24588/18]

\*963. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a payment will be issued in respect of 2017 to a farmer (details supplied) in County Cork who has submitted the necessary documentation under the specific scheme. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [24748/18]

\*964. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason fish from a company's (detail supplied) hatchery at Lough Altan, County Donegal has been awarded organic status despite the fact that his Department determined that the company had breached licence conditions at the hatchery. — Clare Daly. [24752/18]

\*965. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on whether the procedures operated by his Department for organic designation of salmon farms are so flawed that the organic label is nothing more than a greenwash marketing tactic for inducing the public to pay higher prices for farmed salmon. — Clare Daly. [24753/18]

\*966. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the failure of a salmon farm operator to notify his Department of an outbreak of disease as required by the licence conditions would preclude that operator from holding the organic status label. — Clare Daly. [24754/18]

\*967. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on whether the policy oversight and management of the organic labelling system should be transferred to a body that is independent of his Department in view of the many failures of his Department to properly regulate the organic labelling system. — Clare Daly. [24755/18]

\*968. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the contacts, formal and informal and written and oral, made by his Department with the Aquaculture Licence Appeals Board in advance of the Board's recent decision to amend the licence held by a company (details supplied) for its salmon farm at Inishfamard, County Cork. — Clare Daly. [24756/18]

\*969. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the environmental studies carried out by the Aquaculture Licence Appeals Board before deciding to increase the production limit of the salmon farm operated by a company (details supplied) at Inishfamard, County Cork. — Clare Daly. [24757/18]

\*970. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the Aquaculture Licence Appeals Board has breached the Aarhus Convention by amending the salmon licence operated by a company (details supplied) at Inishfamard, County Cork without consulting the public and environmental bodies. — Clare Daly. [24758/18]

\*971. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason his Department has not yet concluded its investigation into the licence breaches at various salmon farms operated by a company (details supplied); and if this delay is due to the conflict of interest that arises for his Department between the proper regulation of salmon farming and the development of the industry. — Clare Daly. [24759/18]

\*972. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if consistent breaches of licence conditions by a salmon farm operator are taken into account by his Department when processing new licence applications from that same operator. — Clare Daly. [24760/18]

\*973. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 432 and 433 of 23 January 2018, the powers that are available to ensure the enforcement of welfare standards of horses in the ownership and or care of individuals; his plans to bring forward legislation to prevent owners that have had horses seized on the grounds of neglect or cruelty from acquiring or providing care for other horses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24768/18]



\*974. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the property requirements needed by horse owners that apply for a trainer's licence. — Clare Daly. [24784/18]

\*975. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an organisation (details supplied) issued a trainer's licence to an individual in the past twelve months that is not the owner or lease holder of a suitable property to keep horses. — Clare Daly. [24785/18]

\*976. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24880/18]

\*977. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an appeal under the Beef Data and Genomics Programme for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [24889/18]

\*978. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the amendment to 10.4 in January 2018 to the Certificate of Suitability for a Veterinary Premises; his views on the change; the cost implications of same; the reason there was not a standard lead time to such alterations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24912/18]

\*979. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the number of licences that have been refused in 2018 (details supplied) due to the changes to section 10.4 of the Certificate of Suitability for a Veterinary Premises under the new rules set out by the VCI; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24913/18]

\*980. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the use of anti-roll bars and protective head gear on all terrain vehicles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24936/18]

\*981. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the full costs associated with the various court actions taken against the State regarding SI Nos. 3 of 2014 and 125 of 2016 on the matter of European Union (Common Fisheries Policy) (Point System) Regulations; the costs paid by his Department in defending these cases and all other third-party legal costs paid by his Department or the State at High Court stage or Supreme Court level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [24987/18]

\*982. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if prosecutions have been taken by local authorities or his Department in relation to abandoned or neglected equines across the country; the follow-up steps taken to ensure that owners of these animals are held legally responsible for same rather than just have them seized and impounded; the level of resources available to prevent these occurrences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [24995/18]

\*983. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a GLAS payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25005/18]

\*984. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a payment under the sheep welfare scheme for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25006/18]

\*985. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on issues being faced by an organisation (details supplied). — Anne Rabbitte. [25048/18]

\*986. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to breeches of animal welfare regulations at a farm (details supplied) in north County Wexford; if inspectors have been called to the premises; and his views on the general situation regarding poor conditions on some farms in which animal carcasses have been left to rot to the detriment of the health and welfare of animals and humans present. — Clare Daly. [25113/18]

\*987. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that has yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25170/18]

\*988. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 1155, 1156, 1158 and 1160 of 16 January 2018, when a response will issue in view of the provisions contained in Standing Order 42A(1)(b) of Dáil Éireann (details supplied). — Martin Kenny. [25192/18]

\*989. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures being taken to assist farmers that have dyslexia and or literacy issues in relation to inspections, applications and online registrations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [25226/18]

\*990. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to deal with an issue (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25230/18]

\*991. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an oyster licence application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25240/18]

\*992. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to footage (details supplied); if this farm passed its 2017 health and welfare inspection; and if the 2017 inspection report contained details of distressed animals. — Clare Daly. [25341/18]

\*993. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a farm payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25344/18]

\*994. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department is conducting a new round of recruitment for technical agriculture officers; if so, the stages involved in the recruitment of these officers; the number of officers which his Department plans to appoint; if the ranking of the persons on the panel is conducted by the Public Appointments Service or his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25365/18]

\*995. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if violations (details supplied) involving Irish trucks can be investigated. — Mick Barry. [25430/18]

\*996. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the penalties in place for farmed salmon operators that fail to notify the relevant parties of a fish escape; the relevant parties which should be notified in the event of a salmon escape; the numbers of farmed salmon operators that have been sanctioned for failing to report salmon escapes in each of the years 2007 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25456/18]

\*997. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the findings of the Inland Fisheries Ireland Report on the Occurrence of Farmed Atlantic Salmon in Rivers in the Western River Basin District, August/September 2017; his further views on the conclusion of the report which states that the salmon captured from Bunowen, Erriff and Bundorragha and provided for genetic analysis are fish farm escapes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25457/18]

\*998. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department or an agency under its remit including the Marine Institute contacted Inland Fisheries Ireland to request either the scales or carcasses of the farmed salmon stock recovered from the Delphi, Erriff, Kylemore-Dawros, Newport and Bunowen catchments in August 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25458/18]

\*999. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the actions taken by his Department following the notification of a fish escape incident at a salmon farm located at Glinsk, Mulroy Bay, County Donegal in July 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25459/18]

\*1000. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 494 of 30 January 2018, if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the United Kingdom, Austria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Norway and the Netherlands have banned commercial fur farming on the grounds of animal welfare; the reason for allowing the practice of commercial mink farming to continue here; if the phasing out of the licensing system for these three remaining farms will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25540/18]

\*1001. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25563/18]

\*1002. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason an appeal by a person (details supplied) with the Forestry Service is taking so long to finalise. — Robert Troy. [25688/18]

\*1003. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25725/18]

*Chun an Aire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil: To the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment.*

\*1004. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the likely penalties that will be paid by Ireland for failure to meet EU 2020 carbon emissions targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [24489/18]

\*1005. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the policy in relation to the use of incineration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24981/18]

\*1006. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will consider reinstating the incineration levy abolished in 2011; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24982/18]

\*1007. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated number of fines Ireland will receive from 2020 onwards for missing emissions targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25242/18]

\*1008. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to introduce a single use plastics levy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25267/18]

\*1009. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if additional charge points will be provided for electric cars in Killarney and surrounding areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [25331/18]

\*1010. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he has considered the need for rules for media organisations regarding the character or professional reputation of potential investors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24235/18]

\*1011. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the measures in place to prevent or minimise threats to the electricity and water infrastructure in view of threats described in an article (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [24237/18]

\*1012. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the rationale for the new bye-law to allow for the removal of pike from certain waters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24259/18]

\*1013. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if funding is available for schools or other organisations to provide safer social media alternatives to children and young persons. — Timmy Dooley. [24384/18]

\*1014. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if a matter in relation to SEAI grants for insulation (details supplied) will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24452/18]

\*1015. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the scale of coffee grain residue from retail outlets in view of the rise in retail coffee consumption in recent years. — John Lahart. [24486/18]

\*1016. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if broadband will be provided at an address (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [24510/18]

\*1017. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24572/18]

\*1018. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the meetings that have taken place since 1 January 2011 between him or officials in his Department with a company (details supplied); if meetings took place on 9 March 2011 and 15 July 2011; if so, the details of those meetings; the list of attendees; the purpose of the meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24680/18]

\*1019. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the steps he will take to resolve a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24724/18]

\*1020. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when high speed broadband will be rolled out at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [24806/18]

\*1021. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the progress made on the thirteen Citizens' Assembly's final report recommendations on the way in which the State can make Ireland a leader in tackling climate change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [24854/18]

\*1022. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the position regarding the provision of broadband services with speeds of at least 20 Mbps in an area (details supplied); the timeline for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [24879/18]

\*1023. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of Ireland's obligations in respect of the Kyoto Protocol including the purchase of carbon credits over the period from the signing of the protocol (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [24907/18]

\*1024. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on a matter (details supplied) regarding the insulation grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25037/18]

\*1025. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of premises that completed each of the high level design and detailed design milestones in the Eir contract by the end of quarter 1 2018 compared to the target number set out for this date in the contract; the details of those whose design is completed between FTTH, eVDSL and CVDSL; the number of these premises that were included in the in the original contract; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25046/18]

\*1026. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the latest date provided by Eir for the completion of the provision of high speed broadband to 300,575 premises under the contract with his Department in view of the delays caused by storms in 2017 and 2018; the number of premises passed to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25047/18]

\*1027. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of rural broadband roll out in County Kildare and in particular Kileenmore, County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [25064/18]

\*1028. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when the contract for the roll out of the National Broadband Plan will be amended; when it is expected that work on the roll-out will commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25073/18]

\*1029. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when permission will be given to RTÉ to transmit RTÉ 2 +1 on a platform (details supplied); when

applications for this was made; the process involved before he can give permission; the length of time this process has taken to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [25163/18]

\*1030. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25173/18]

\*1031. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when high speed broadband will be rolled out in an area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25189/18]

\*1032. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when the RHI scheme for renewable energy equipment will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [25225/18]

\*1033. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to ban the use of single use plastics; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25276/18]

\*1034. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the efforts which have been taken to date to reduce plastic use here; his plans in place to ban single use plastics; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [25381/18]

\*1035. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when Inland Fisheries Ireland was notified with regard to the escape of 20,000 farmed salmon at a salmon farm located at Glinsk, Mulroy Bay, County Donegal in 2017; the person or body that notified Inland Fisheries Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25385/18]

\*1036. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when the farmed salmon stock captured from the Bunowen, Erriff and Bundorragha catchments were handed over to Inland Fisheries Ireland for inspection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25386/18]

\*1037. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on whether it is possible that the farmed salmon stock captured in the Western River Basin District in August/September 2017 may have originated from a salmon escape at Glinsk, Mulroy Bay, County Donegal in July 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25387/18]

\*1038. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if Inland Fisheries Ireland has been contacted by the Marine Institute regarding the findings of its report (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25388/18]

\*1039. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the usage element contained in the new waste collection charges; if steps will be taken to protect older and disadvantaged householders that may only put their black bin out every four to five weeks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25539/18]



\*1040. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25566/18]

\*1041. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number and type of licences and seismic survey activities he has exercised his power under the European Union (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Petroleum Exploration) Regulations 2013 to request an EIA or stage 2 AA for exploration activities; the number of seismic surveys and licences that have been determined as requiring an EIAR or stage 2 AA by month, year and area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Ryan. [25689/18]

\*1042. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number and type of exploration activities he has exercised his power under the European Union (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Petroleum Exploration) Regulations 2013 to request an EIA or stage 2 AA for exploration activities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Ryan. [25690/18]

\*1043. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if his Department has conducted a cumulative analysis of seismic impacts on Irish sea life from 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Eamon Ryan. [25691/18]

\*1044. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the amount of seismic surveys that have been conducted in Irish waters since 2011; the level of environmental assessment each received; if powers under European Union (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Petroleum Exploration) Regulations 2013 to request an EIA or stage 2 AA for exploration activities were exercised; if these assessments included a cumulative assessment of seismic activity over a number of years by year, month, area and licence or permission (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Ryan. [25692/18]

\*1045. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of seismic surveys that will be conducted in 2018 in Irish waters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Ryan. [25693/18]

\*1046. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the commitments his Department has made on work programmes for exploration licences and their extensions (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Ryan. [25694/18]

\*1047. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if his Department will be making changes to guidelines for ocean seismic testing in view of new evidence published in 2017 and 2018 on the deadly impacts it can have on krill and zooplankton populations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Ryan. [25695/18]

\*1048. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 1146 of 21 March 2017 and 215 of 13 December 2017, when the strategic environmental assessment of the draft national bioenergy plan, which was drafted in 2014 and has remained in draft form since, will be published and put to public consultation; the reason for the disruption to the timeframe stated in the March 2017 reply; and the reason for the disruption to the timeframe stated in the December 2017 reply. — Eamon Ryan. [25697/18]

\*1049. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25728/18]

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

\*1050. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his Department received applications from Galway County Council to extend the speed limit at a school (details supplied) on the grounds of speed and health and safety for persons locally using the school in each of the years 2010 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24589/18]

\*1051. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if Galway County Council roads department applied to the Department of Justice and Equality or the local Garda division for a reduction in the speed limit on the N17 at a school (details supplied) due to health and safety concerns outlined by the board of management, parents and teaching staff; if so, when the application was submitted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24611/18]

\*1052. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a detailed design has been carried out by Galway County Council and submitted to TII for funding on the R333 at Claretuam; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24690/18]

\*1053. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a design plan has been completed by Galway County Council and submitted to TII for the upgrade of the N54; when it will be part of the funding allocation by Galway County Council in 2019 for major road works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24739/18]

\*1054. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a design plan being completed by Galway County Council and submitted to TII for the upgrade of the N17 at a school (details supplied); if it will be part of the funding allocation by Galway County Council in 2019 for road safety realignment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24740/18]

\*1055. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a ban on the use of heavy fuel oil in the Irish Sea will be implemented; if so, when it will be implemented; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [24767/18]

\*1056. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the full range of legal punishments applying to motorists that drive without insurance which are available to An Garda Síochána; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [25018/18]

\*1057. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of penalty points that have been issued for driving without insurance in each of the years 2013 to 2017, by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [25020/18]

\*1058. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to support an increased service for the 101 Bus Éireann route with particular reference to the village of Balrothery in Fingal which is only served by this bus and does not have another bus or rail service for its growing population; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [25336/18]

\*1059. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the development of the greenway from Sligo to Enniskillen; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24240/18]

\*1060. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport further to Parliamentary Question No. 508 of 22 May 2018, when funding will be available to progress the scheme in view of the fact that planning permission was granted in October 2017. — Pat Deering. [24295/18]

\*1061. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if an approved sports capital grant application (details supplied) has now been finalised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24394/18]

\*1062. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if emergency funding will be provided to Kerry County Council (details supplied) for road maintenance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24460/18]

\*1063. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the grants available for taxi operators to purchase wheelchair accessible vehicles; the eligibility for persons that wish to apply for grant aid to purchase wheelchair accessible vehicles; and if these grants are available to individual drivers planning to purchase one vehicle in addition to taxi companies that may wish to purchase multiple vehicles. — Imelda Munster. [24506/18]

\*1064. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the implementation on the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24582/18]

\*1065. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a product (details supplied) will be reviewed; if the DAA will introduce it to Dublin Airport to assist persons with disabilities; if he will contact the DAA on behalf of a person; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24586/18]

\*1066. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number required for full compliment of the board of Fáilte Ireland; the number required for a quorum; the number of vacancies as at 1 June 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [24629/18]

\*1067. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding a bridge. — Tom Neville. [24634/18]

\*1068. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if TII will confirm when a decision will issue on the latest developments on traffic calming proposals for Kilcornan, County Limerick in view of the fact that Limerick City and County Council has stated it has submitted all the latest details. — Tom Neville. [24653/18]

\*1069. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason for the change to the mandatory requirement for a public services card for applying for a driver licence and provisional licence; the cost of the project to make the public services card mandatory for applications; when similar changes in relation to the driver theory test will be implemented; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [24664/18]

\*1070. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if consideration has been given under the Sports Capital Programme to allow for a flexibility for sports clubs which operate on

State-owned land which the club itself does not own (details supplied) and has been consistently rejected due to the ineligibility even though the land is ultimately State-owned. — Noel Rock. [24685/18]

\*1071. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if consideration has been given to a multi-annual programme of sports capital grants (details supplied). — Noel Rock. [24687/18]

\*1072. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount awarded across the past four rounds of the sports capital grant; the number of grants awarded; the number of grants drawn down; and the amount drawn down. — Noel Rock. [24688/18]

\*1073. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to consult with a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [24712/18]

\*1074. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the funding streams available for those that wish to enter the tourism accommodation sector namely campsites, self-catering and bed and breakfast in view of the lack of bed capacity in many counties such as County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [24718/18]

\*1075. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the NDLS is allowed to reissue a driver licence to the address that is on file for that person in the case of a driver licence that is still in date but has been lost; if the case of a person (details supplied) will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [24771/18]

\*1076. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the Collooney to Dromahair greenway is included in the national greenways plan for 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24794/18]

\*1077. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when a reply will issue to representations (details supplied) to Transport Infrastructure Ireland in respect of funding; the reason for the delay in issuing a response to the query; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [24805/18]

\*1078. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he expects to publish the promised review of the national sports policy; his plans to reintroduce the local authority swimming pool programme as part of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24825/18]

\*1079. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason the proposed upgrade of the N81 from Hollywood Cross to Tallaght, bypassing Blessington, has been suspended; his plans to improve the road in view of the large number of fatalities on the road; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [24848/18]

\*1080. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to deal with the use of rickshaws; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [24853/18]

\*1081. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to introduce a ban on the use of rickshaws; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [24886/18]

\*1082. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the timeframe in relation to the retrofitting of both audio and visual equipment to the Bus Éireann fleet in counties Sligo and

Leitrim to assist persons that are deaf and visually impaired to travel independently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [24925/18]

\*1083. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of wheelchair accessible buses available on routes licensed by the National Transport Authority serving counties Sligo and Leitrim; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [24926/18]

\*1084. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when the National Transport Authority will have its bus stop accessibility audit completed for counties Sligo and Leitrim; if it will be publicly available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [24927/18]

\*1085. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has had an engagement with the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government with regard to the provision of additional funding to enable local authorities to provide wheelchair accessible bus stops nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [24928/18]

\*1086. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if either his Department or Fáilte Ireland has ever attempted to quantify the value of the accessible tourism market; if not, if he will request that one be undertaken; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [24929/18]

\*1087. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if either his Department or Fáilte Ireland has ever investigated the delivery of an accessible tourism marketing campaign; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [24930/18]

\*1088. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the substantial cuts imposed on members of a pension scheme (details supplied) in advance of the sale of the State's stake in Aer Lingus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24942/18]

\*1089. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a once-off allocation of funding will be made to clear the backlog of local improvement schemes in County Leitrim; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [25068/18]

\*1090. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he plans to publish the greenways strategy; the reason for the delay in publishing same in view of the reply to Parliamentary Question No. 1382 of 16 January 2018, that he hoped to publish the strategy in the first quarter of 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25075/18]

\*1091. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when further funding will be provided for the part of the Connemara greenway from Oughterard to Clifden (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25076/18]

\*1092. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport further to Parliamentary Question No. 204 of 30 May 2018, if his attention has been drawn to the fact that although the proposed third runway at Dublin Airport has been designed to accommodate code F aircraft, the proposed third runway as currently designed will prohibit most current and future wide body aircraft from exploiting their maximum range and weight capability (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [25084/18]

\*1093. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of proposed legislation to deal with issues concerning scramblers and quad bikes in Dublin. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [25110/18]

\*1094. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25186/18]

\*1095. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of bicycles Iarnród Éireann trains can carry per journey on each of its routes in tabular form. — Imelda Munster. [25198/18]

\*1096. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason the case of a person (details supplied) who applied to have their car certified as not in use from July 2015 has now received a car tax bill of €1,892; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this person had sent in an RF150 form to state their car was off the road; if this person is only due to pay tax from the present as they get their car back on the road; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [25199/18]

\*1097. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when a new round of sports capital grants will be undertaken; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [25223/18]

\*1098. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the progress to date in the implementation of the Transport Access For All policy in terms of the taxi fleet, buses and trains; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [25329/18]

\*1099. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he envisages the introduction of 24 hour services by Dublin Bus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [25339/18]

\*1100. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he plans to announce details of the next sports capital programme scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [25345/18]

\*1101. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the development of Dalymount Park as part of the Euro 2020 legacy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [25370/18]

\*1102. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of Dublin hosting a round of the FIA Formula E championship; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [25371/18]

\*1103. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to consider hosting the ConIFA World Football Cup; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [25372/18]

\*1104. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the measures in place to develop female participation in sport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [25373/18]



\*1105. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the measures in place to support the development of grassroots football across the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [25374/18]

\*1106. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the necessary upgrading of an arterial route (details supplied) will be prioritised for funding in the 2019 road works programme in view of the importance of this route for a large part of the Border region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [25376/18]

\*1107. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which he anticipates bodies under the aegis of his Department to be affected by Brexit with particular reference to inward investments and future expansion affecting the tourism and transport sectors; the extent to which he continues to liaise with European institutions in this context; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24599/18]

\*1108. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which he has examined existing road networks throughout the country in both urban and rural areas with a view to the identification of apparent difficulties in respect of capacity and the need to ensure the completion of the national arterial road network thus providing for modern and efficient transport to and from the regions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24600/18]

\*1109. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the Workplace Relations Commission at hearings held on the 29 May 2017 and 17 June 2017 concerning working conditions on the merchant marine fleet and fishing fleet, respectively that an adjudicator ruled that vessel owners were not required to provide medical cover for crew; and if legislation can be brought forward to make medical cover obligatory. — Mick Barry. [25429/18]

\*1110. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the measures being taken to reduce the numbers of unlicensed taxi drivers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25460/18]

\*1111. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25534/18]

\*1112. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding the leasing of property; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25545/18]

\*1113. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25579/18]

\*1114. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport further to Parliamentary Question No. 225 of 17 May 2018, if he will address the fact that some insurance companies are refusing to quote based on whether a person is VAT registered or not; his views on whether such a refusal is reasonable; his further views on whether this will have a negative impact of small sole traders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25592/18]

\*1115. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which applications for capital grants that were unsuccessful in 2017 for various reasons will be examined with a view to

possible accommodation in the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25668/18]

\*1116. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he and his Department continue to liaise with various sporting groups that have been the beneficiaries of sports capital grants in the past with a view to ensuring that all such grants are used effectively and efficiently and in circumstances in which difficulties have arisen, assistance of a constructive nature might be offered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25669/18]

\*1117. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which his Department has continued to evaluate rural transport requirements with a view to bringing transport to the population rather than forcing the population to converge on towns and villages as the population increases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25670/18]

\*1118. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which his Department continues to evaluate the transport system, road and rail, public and private, to ensure the development of efficient and effective transport in all areas throughout the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25671/18]

\*1119. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which efforts continue to distribute the tourism industry evenly throughout the country with particular reference to the development of facilities at required locations having particular regard to assessments carried out to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25672/18]

\*1120. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which potential growth opportunities for business tourism here continue to be identified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25673/18]

\*1121. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which a study has been carried out or is ongoing in respect of public transport in County Kildare with particular reference to the need to address deficiencies in respect of daily frequency of rail and bus services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25674/18]

\*1122. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans for investment in the rail services over the next five years including an extension to services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25675/18]

\*1123. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which he plans to support and promote the role of regional airports; if a particular initiative is required in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25676/18]

\*1124. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which particular sectors of the tourism sector to date in 2018 have shown particular potential for growth with consequent economic benefit in the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25677/18]

\*1125. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which his Department has identified the degree to which potential growth of the tourism sector region by region with particular reference to the use of historical sites, monuments and buildings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25678/18]

\*1126. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which his Department and Transport Infrastructure Ireland continue to examine the locations at which numerous accidents have taken place on minor or major roads including motorways throughout the country with particular reference to the frequency of such accidents with a view to identifying the cause or causes and addressing the issues by way of remedial action as soon as possible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25679/18]

\*1127. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the projected timeframe for the provision of vital major road networks throughout the country both in the commuter belt or elsewhere with a view to maximising access, reduction of delays and alleviation of traffic bottlenecks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25680/18]

\*1128. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25737/18]

*Chun an Aire Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige: To the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs.*

\*1129. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the funding available for the access inclusion model for pre-school children with special needs over the past five years; the number of children accessing the model; the number of SNAs directly employed through the model; the cost per child budgeted for in the service model in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [24447/18]

\*1130. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the amount of naíonraí operating here; and the number of children attending same. — Peadar Tóibín. [24638/18]

\*1131. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No. 1676 of 11 September 2017, when a response from Tusla will be forthcoming. — Clare Daly. [24242/18]

\*1132. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will provide a copy of the inquiry report by a person (details supplied). — Clare Daly. [24243/18]

\*1133. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No. 192 of 16 May 2018, if further funding will be allocated for family resource centre programmes in budget 2019; the category in which a centre (details supplied) has to improve a future application to provide a family resource centre; and the nature of Tusla's plans to deliver through its commissioning approach for the Dublin 12 area. — Joan Collins. [24269/18]

\*1134. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if funding will continue to be provided to schools for counselling (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24278/18]

\*1135. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if funding is available for schools or other organisations to provide safer social media alternatives to children and young persons. — Timmy Dooley. [24382/18]

\*1136. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the estimated additional cost in 2018 of increasing the universal minimum subsidy across the affordable childcare scheme, assuming the minimum targeted subsidy is increased in tandem in 50 cent intervals up to an additional €4.50

reaching €5.00 per hour, assuming a start date of September; the estimated cost for a full year; and the number of children that would benefit. — Denise Mitchell. [24417/18]

\*1137. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to introduce a second entry point for the ECCE scheme in order to ensure that children that turn two years of age at the beginning of a year and are therefore too young for the September entry point do not have to wait until the following year to avail of the free preschool year. — Denise Mitchell. [24435/18]

\*1138. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of Garda division headquarters that are collaborating with Tusla in relation to dealing with cases of child abuse in view of the recommendations by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24541/18]

\*1139. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24571/18]

\*1140. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her views on amendments made to section 22 of the Public Health (Alcohol) Bill 2015 from a child protection perspective in view of the fact that the separation barrier must only be 1.2 metres in height, the average height of a 7 year old according to recent UK research (details supplied); if she was consulted in the drafting of this legislation from a child protection perspective; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24624/18]

\*1141. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she is satisfied with section 22 of the Public Health (Alcohol) Bill 2015 from a child protection perspective in view of the fact that children over 7 years of age will continue to be exposed to alcohol in a supermarket setting; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24625/18]

\*1142. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the way in which a person (details supplied) that was a resident in a location can access funding in relation to travelling costs incurred from Killimor, Ballinasloe, County Galway to Ballinasloe, County Galway in order for them to access counselling services. — Anne Rabbitte. [24657/18]

\*1143. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of cases awaiting allocation to a social worker in each Tusla local office area in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [24686/18]

\*1144. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if the assessment under the AIM programme for a child (details supplied) in County Cork has been completed in order that they can access the support they need in September 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24970/18]

\*1145. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of requests for additional funding, staff resources or expertise that have been made by Tusla since January 2014, in tabular form; the purpose of the requested additional funding, staff resources or expertise; the section to which this request related; the response to each request; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25039/18]

\*1146. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she has received correspondence from the Department of Education and Skills in relation to concerns regarding the School Completion

Programme; if so, the details of those concerns; and the way in which those concerns will be addressed. — Sean Sherlock. [25137/18]

\*1147. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige cad iad na tacaíochtaí breise Gaeilge a bheidh á gcur ar fáil i mbliana agus cé mhéad airgead a chaithfear ar na tacaíochtaí sin do na suíomhanna luathbhlianta atá ag feidhmiú trí Ghaeilge sa Ghaeltacht faoin bPolasaí don Oideachas Gaeltachta. — Peadar Tóibín. [25148/18]

\*1148. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the estimated cost to roll-out the routine delivery of Aistear across the childminding sector including those childminders not registered with Tusla. — Denise Mitchell. [25166/18]

\*1149. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if non-contact time payments will be available in 2018; and if so, when services can apply for same. — Denise Mitchell. [25167/18]

\*1150. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by her Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25172/18]

\*1151. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of measures introduced to increase the national birth rate; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25200/18]

\*1152. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the grounds on which an application was not granted as part of the Capital Programme 2018 – EYC 2018 Strand 1 in the case of a person (details supplied); the procedure to be followed in respect of an appeal of the decision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25203/18]

\*1153. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the way in which the €40.5 million additional funding for Tusla in 2018 will be spent; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25247/18]

\*1154. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to provide extra funding for Tusla (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25340/18]

\*1155. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25565/18]

\*1156. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25727/18]

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

\*1157. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to amend legislation in regard to the restrictions on specific dog breeds here in view of a study (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24362/18]

\*1158. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of complaints received by the Charities Regulatory Authority in relation to an exhibition (details supplied). — Bríd Smith. [24395/18]

\*1159. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the details of the appointment process of the 13 members of the Charities Regulatory Authority; when they were appointed; and when their position is due for renewal. — Bríd Smith. [24398/18]

\*1160. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason a book written here must be approved and purchased by a company (details supplied) in the UK before a supply and purchase can be made by county council libraries nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [24612/18]

\*1161. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the persons or bodies that are entitled to apply for funding through SECAD in view of the boundary changes (details supplied) in County Cork. — Billy Kelleher. [24648/18]

\*1162. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the current and capital allocations in 2018 to the Western Development Commission. — Charlie McConalogue. [24361/18]

\*1163. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 safety works. — Robert Troy. [24365/18]

\*1164. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 safety works. — Robert Troy. [24366/18]

\*1165. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 safety works. — Robert Troy. [24367/18]

\*1166. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 car park. — Robert Troy. [24368/18]

\*1167. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 safety works. — Robert Troy. [24369/18]

\*1168. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 safety works. — Robert Troy. [24370/18]

\*1169. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 safety works. — Robert Troy. [24371/18]

\*1170. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 1 safety works. — Robert Troy. [24372/18]

\*1171. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a group (details supplied) under measure 1 footpath. — Robert Troy. [24373/18]

\*1172. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a village (details supplied) under measure 1 public lighting. — Robert Troy. [24374/18]



\*1173. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a group (details supplied) under measure 1 public lighting. — Robert Troy. [24375/18]

\*1174. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a group (details supplied) under measure 2 community playground. — Robert Troy. [24376/18]

\*1175. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 2 school play area. — Robert Troy. [24377/18]

\*1176. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if CLÁR funding will be awarded to a school (details supplied) under measure 2 school play area. — Robert Troy. [24378/18]

\*1177. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of persons that have accessed the seniors alert scheme in counties Roscommon and Galway since 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24537/18]

\*1178. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if Pobal will be requested to provide an update in relation to CSP funding for a group (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24554/18]

\*1179. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24610/18]

\*1180. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if the request from the public participation network in each local authority to have an increase in resources has been agreed due to the volume of the vital work they perform on behalf of the community and voluntary sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [24713/18]

\*1181. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the funding streams available to those in rural County Wicklow that wish to establish tourist accommodation such as campsites, self-catering, bed and breakfast, guesthouses and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [24719/18]

\*1182. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if funding will be granted to a school (details supplied) that has submitted an application through the CLÁR scheme; when successful 2018 CLÁR projects will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24812/18]

\*1183. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if funding will be granted to a club (details supplied) that has submitted an application through the CLÁR scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24882/18]

\*1184. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if funding will be granted to an organisation (details supplied) that has submitted an application through the CLÁR scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24884/18]

\*1185. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if funding will be granted to a group (details supplied) that has submitted an application through the CLÁR scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [24885/18]

\*1186. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount of the wage grant per participant under the community services programme in each of the years since 2009; the amount of the minimum wage in each year including employers PRSI costs; the amount to be made up by the employers on each scheme for each full-time participant on the scheme in each year in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25041/18]

\*1187. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his views on whether certain community services companies have very limited revenue generating ability due to their location and the type of vital service they are providing; the steps he plans to take to assist these companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25042/18]

\*1188. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to increase the support funding for a community services company (details supplied) in 2018 and 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25043/18]

\*1189. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount of capital expenditure in 2018 to date by his Department by subhead; the amount of capital provided for in the estimates by subhead; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25078/18]

\*1190. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the value of all projects approved by each LAG under the Leader programme; the amount expended on projects by each LAG under the programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25079/18]

\*1191. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount of capital carried over from 2017 to 2018; the amount of same spent to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25080/18]

\*1192. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount of the €28 million pre-paid to local authorities at the end of 2016 that has not been expended to date by local authority; the steps he plans to take to ensure these funds are either spent or returned to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25081/18]

\*1193. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if a special application by a person (details supplied) in respect of a person will be accepted. — Sean Sherlock. [25121/18]

\*1194. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25184/18]

\*1195. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the additional funding available to a group (details supplied) to complete a process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25553/18]

\*1196. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25577/18]

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

\*1197. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 1830 of 16 January 2018, the reason funding from the schools meals programme has not been provided to a school (details supplied); and if she will ensure that this commences from September 2018. — Róisín Shortall. [24465/18]

\*1198. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the steps that a tenant can take if a landlord refuses to sign supplementary rent forms, SWA RS1; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [24722/18]

\*1199. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if funding under the school meals local projects scheme for a school (details supplied) will be increased proportionally in view of its projected increase in enrolment for the next school term; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24887/18]

\*1200. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the supports provided by her Department for those in employment that have intellectual disabilities and may need additional supports to remain in the workplace; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [24979/18]

\*1201. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if it is possible for a birth certificate to record two persons of the same sex or gender as the parents of a child produced using donor assisted human reproduction techniques in circumstances in which the gamete donation is from a third party; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25187/18]

\*1202. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to increase direct provision payments for adults and children in line with the supplementary welfare allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [25266/18]

\*1203. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated full year cost of doubling the payments made to those that are resident in direct provision. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [25706/18]

\*1204. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons that have used class S PRSI contributions to qualify for paternity benefit, invalidity benefit and treatment benefit since they were introduced. — John Brady. [24266/18]

\*1205. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Breen. [24279/18]

\*1206. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a disability allowance payment will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [24290/18]

\*1207. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if those aged over 62 years of age are required to engage in job activation schemes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [24292/18]

\*1208. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the €10 million allocated to the free travel scheme as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €10 million allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24316/18]

\*1209. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the €1.7 million allocated to school meals for newly designated DEIS schools as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €1.7 million allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24317/18]

\*1210. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the €1 million allocated to youth employment support schemes as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €1 million allocation that has been spent; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24318/18]

\*1211. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the €1.2 million allocated to the rural social scheme as outlined in budget 2018; the amount of the €1.2 million allocation that has been spent; the number of new places on that have been opened up; the way in which the funds have been spent; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [24319/18]

\*1212. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a person (details supplied) in County Cork is entitled to receive a domiciliary care allowance backdated to the date of their child's diagnosis. — Michael McGrath. [24364/18]

\*1213. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons that have availed of paternity benefit in each of the years since its introduction in tabular form; and the overall cost for each of these years. — Denise Mitchell. [24416/18]

\*1214. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the position regarding an application for a carer's payment by a person (details supplied) in Dublin 11; when a decision will be issued; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24440/18]

\*1215. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to review the means assessment rules for capital sums held by applicants applying for the State pension (non-contributory) in view of the fact that applicants cannot derive a rate of return from capital sums equal to that of the deemed notional return for assessing capital under the payment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24535/18]

\*1216. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the annual cost of increasing jobseeker's allowance to €196 for all those under 26 years of age in receipt of the €107.70 and €152.80 rates. — Ruth Coppinger. [24549/18]

\*1217. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated annual cost of increasing the jobseeker's allowance to €152.80 per week for all those under 26 years of age in receipt of the €107.70 rate. — Ruth Coppinger. [24550/18]

\*1218. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated annual cost of increasing the jobseeker's allowance to €196 per week for all those under 26 years of age in receipt of the €152.80 rate. — Ruth Coppinger. [24551/18]

\*1219. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the jobseeker's allowance rate for those under 26 years of age to the full payment rate of €196 will be restored; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [24552/18]

\*1220. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the way in which a person that has worked 48 days out of 365 days and has actively sought work in a 12 month period is not eligible to participate on a community employment scheme (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [24587/18]

\*1221. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding financial assistance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24590/18]

\*1222. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24609/18]

\*1223. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason a person (details supplied) was targeted for inclusion in the JobPath scheme run by a company; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [24652/18]

\*1224. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if supplementary welfare can be facilitated in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24681/18]

\*1225. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a pilot scheme that was introduced for jobseeker's allowance and benefit recipients whereby practitioners of certain arts would still be entitled to their social welfare payment for a certain amount of time as they attempt to build a career in the arts; the uptake of this scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24694/18]

\*1226. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons in receipt of disability allowance. — John Brady. [24746/18]

\*1227. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 210 of 16 May 2018, the extent of receipts that must be retained; and the legislative reference providing for same. — Michael McGrath. [24750/18]

\*1228. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an anomaly (details supplied) regarding the exclusion of persons with disabilities from the artistic and cultural community will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24751/18]

\*1229. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to examine legislation regarding statutory holiday entitlements (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [24773/18]

\*1230. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the eligibility for a disability allowance in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24783/18]

\*1231. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the consequences or processes that are followed when persons cannot attend an appointment for a PSC when invited to do so by her Department due to medical reasons; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24786/18]

\*1232. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the services available to assist young adults with a disability such as a person (details supplied) that had been availing of school transport accessing their continuing education as before; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [24815/18]

\*1233. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the eligibility for a carer's allowance in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24836/18]

\*1234. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progress to date in the determination of an application for carer's benefit in the case of a person (details supplied); the reason for delays in reaching a decision; when the application is likely to be concluded; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24849/18]

\*1235. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an appeal for an invalidity pension by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24867/18]

\*1236. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of efforts being made to ensure that an association (details supplied) is given an opportunity to represent its members in a way it views is sufficient; if section 50 of the Pensions Act 1990 will be amended in this regard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [24876/18]

\*1237. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the position regarding a carer's allowance for a person (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [24877/18]

\*1238. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the case of a person (details supplied) will be examined; the reason they are being pressurised to engage with a JobPath scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [24881/18]

\*1239. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when section 22(3C) of Civil Registration Act 2004 as inserted by section 6(e) of the Civil Registration Act 2014 and or other relevant legislation will be commenced to empower civil registrars to put into operation a provision in force since January 2016 ending the presumption in law that a woman's husband is the father of the child if the child is born more than ten months after they separated. — Niall Collins. [24896/18]

\*1240. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when section 22(3C) of Civil Registration Act 2004 as inserted by section 6(e) of the Civil Registration Act 2014 and or other relevant legislation will be commenced to empower civil registrars to put into operation a provision in force since January 2016 ending the presumption in law that a woman's husband is the father of the child if the child is born more than ten months after they separated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24899/18]

\*1241. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will request the management of the social protection office in Summerhill, County Sligo to enforce new measures



whereby members of its workforce are not allowed to park in the Summerhill village and circular road area in view of the fact that this ongoing problem is causing the residents of the estate many problems with accessing their homes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [24909/18]

\*1242. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to establish an independent review group within her Department to assess the level and impact of cuts suffered by all categories of members in a pension scheme (details supplied) due to changes in legislation and in particular the Social Welfare and Pensions Act 2014 and subsequent reductions in members benefits; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24940/18]

\*1243. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to consider in the preparation of budget 2019 specific measures targeted at members of a pension scheme (details supplied) to reduce the impact of cuts to their pension benefits; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [24945/18]

\*1244. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progress made on a number of issues which have recently been raised with her officials with regard to community employment supervisors agreements and working conditions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [24976/18]

\*1245. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the employability services used by those seeking employment can also be utilised by a person that is already in employment but due to their intellectual disabilities requires some additional supports to remain in that employment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [24978/18]

\*1246. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when arrears in relation to a disability allowance for a person (details supplied) will issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25004/18]

\*1247. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a matter regarding changes to pension calculations and age of eligibility for a pension (details supplied) will be addressed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [25011/18]

\*1248. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the level of support available to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25013/18]

\*1249. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the income limits for the household benefits package and the fuel allowance automatically increase in line with increases in the State pension (contributory) only; if they also increase in line with the State pension (non-contributory) or other primary social welfare payments; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [25088/18]

\*1250. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address a matter raised in correspondence (details supplied) regarding disability allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25138/18]

\*1251. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by her Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25177/18]

\*1252. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated full year cost of increasing the budget for the free travel scheme in 2019 by 10%, 12% and 15%, respectively; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25246/18]

\*1253. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the representations made to her by the equine and related industries in the past 12 months seeking alterations to or derogation from the Organisation of Working Time Act 1997 and its associated regulations; the way in which she plans to respond to these representations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [25364/18]

\*1254. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the funding being provided to organisations (details supplied) under the Ability Programme. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [25382/18]

\*1255. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the efforts are being made to address issues in relation to a pension scheme (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25420/18]

\*1256. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to meet the trustees of a pension scheme (details supplied) to discuss ongoing issues in relation to the scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25421/18]

\*1257. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to secure the pensions of members of a pension scheme (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25422/18]

\*1258. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the expenses received by elected city and county councillors as distinct from their salary is reckonable as income when means testing a cohabiting couple in circumstances in which one partner is a councillor. — Mick Barry. [25427/18]

\*1259. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on a matter (details supplied) regarding the disability allowance. — Mick Barry. [25428/18]

\*1260. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of applicants for funding under the Ability Programme. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [25464/18]

\*1261. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an application to backdate a domiciliary care allowance to the date of birth for a child by a person (details supplied) in County Cork will be considered. — Michael McGrath. [25472/18]

\*1262. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied) in Dublin 9 and the unsatisfactory manner in which they were treated by Seetec; if she has received correspondence from the person; the steps she has taken to address their concerns; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [25541/18]

\*1263. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the measures she plans to introduce to address the level of youth unemployment (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [25550/18]

\*1264. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25570/18]

\*1265. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the rate of jobless households here; the way in which this compares to the EU average; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [25582/18]

\*1266. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a person (details supplied) can receive the State pension (contributory) in view of their particular circumstances; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25591/18]

\*1267. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the procedure in place in order that a person that does not have a birth certificate or that may not have had their birth registered may apply for a public services card; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25595/18]

\*1268. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated cost of increasing the 85% Christmas bonus for social welfare recipients to 100%; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [25600/18]

\*1269. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons born in 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 that had reckonable earnings for social insurance purposes within gross income groups (details supplied) based on P35 returns for 2017, in tabular form. — Joan Burton. [25635/18]

\*1270. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons born in 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 that had reckonable earnings for social insurance purposes within gross income groups (details supplied) based on P35 returns for 2016, in tabular form. — Joan Burton. [25636/18]

\*1271. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons born in 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999 who had reckonable earnings for social insurance purposes within gross income groups (details supplied) based on P35 returns for 2015, in tabular form. — Joan Burton. [25637/18]

\*1272. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason an application for a carer to collect disability allowance on behalf of a person (details supplied) was refused; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25687/18]

\*1273. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25732/18]

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

\*1274. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the 190 priority catchments identified by the EPA in consultation with other Government agencies under the Sustainability Support and Advisory Programme to promote on-farm sustainability best practice to farmers in tabular form. — Charlie McConalogue. [24273/18]

\*1275. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his Department has requested Irish Water to restart a water meter installation programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24391/18]

\*1276. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the steps he is taking to help reduce the cost of local authority rates on businesses. — Róisín Shortall. [24442/18]

\*1277. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there have been changes to the indicative timetable for the holding of referendums (details supplied) agreed on 26 September 2017. — Catherine Martin. [24787/18]

\*1278. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he can require those embarking on a de facto new build to contribute to a ringfenced fund which would repair damage to the roads caused by such construction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [24296/18]

\*1279. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if legislation is planned to cease the practice of developers advertising new homes with price on application and no published price (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Barrett. [24347/18]

\*1280. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount of land available for the provision of local authority housing by local authority area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24410/18]

\*1281. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of local authority units of accommodation under construction by local authority area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24411/18]

\*1282. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to extend the homeless HAP scheme to additional local authority areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24412/18]

\*1283. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of family hubs that are to be provided in Dublin in 2018; the number of families that the hubs will accommodate on an emergency basis; the planned delivery dates for each of the family hubs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24413/18]

\*1284. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding property registration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24415/18]

\*1285. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary question No. 2074 of 11 September 2017, if his attention has been drawn to the wide variation in the capacity of local authorities to collect commercial rates; if his Department has considered offering assistance to local authorities to improve their capacity to maximise the important revenue stream to improve local services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [24464/18]

\*1286. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there is provision to deviate from the terms of the original planning permission in regard to the water and waste water conditions set out in planning permission in situations in which an extension of duration is applied

for and granted to a planning permission; if Irish Water has a role with respect to variations; if so, the nature of the role; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24485/18]

\*1287. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on a case; the options open to persons (details supplied) in this matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24509/18]

\*1288. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to expand the local authority tenant purchase scheme beyond three bedroomed houses; if two bedroomed properties and larger houses will be included; and if there is discretion allowed for local authorities. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [24538/18]

\*1289. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the local electoral boundary review will be published; and the date for publication. — Lisa Chambers. [24545/18]

\*1290. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24578/18]

\*1291. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when phase two energy refit funding will be allocated to local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [24598/18]

\*1292. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to extend the rent pressure zone to Dundalk in view of the crisis in rental costs and student accommodation costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [24659/18]

\*1293. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the criteria for the extension of the rental pressure zones to other areas of the country in view of the increases that continue to take place in counties such as County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [24697/18]

\*1294. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of pre-planning meetings that have taken place in relation to housing developments including one-off rural houses by local authority area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [24720/18]

\*1295. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount drawn down under the Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund per annum to date; the number of affordable homes built; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24725/18]

\*1296. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the review of income eligibility limits for social housing will be finalised and published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24726/18]

\*1297. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the review of the tenant purchase scheme will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24727/18]

\*1298. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if plans will be approved for additional housing in County Laois incorporating social housing, affordable housing and private housing in the event of the county council bringing proposals forward; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24728/18]

\*1299. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when additional projects in County Kildare will be considered for LIHAF funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24729/18]

\*1300. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if each approved construction, turnkey and large scale acquisition projects, that is, capital funded in 2015 and 2016 have been completed and occupied in accordance with Appendix 2 of Laying the Foundations: Housing Actions Report in April 2016, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [24769/18]

\*1301. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the first two recommendations from the Report of the Expert Panel on Concrete Blocks in counties Donegal and Mayo will be implemented; and when a redress scheme for the affected families will be introduced. — Eoin Ó Broin. [24772/18]

\*1302. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when applications will be invited from local authorities for the second tranche of LIHAF; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [24826/18]

\*1303. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his strategy to address the problem of excessive rent increases in areas outside rent pressure zones. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [24839/18]

\*1304. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of an application by Sligo County Council with regard to an extension to an address (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [24869/18]

\*1305. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on whether a review of tenants' rights is required in view of the details of the case of persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [24871/18]

\*1306. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the 2018 funding allocations for voids and adaptations made to Sligo, Leitrim and Roscommon county councils; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [24872/18]

\*1307. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of sites listed on the vacant sites register of each local authority in advance of the application of the levy in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [24878/18]

\*1308. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when he will publish the review of the tenant purchase scheme; if persons that are in receipt of a social welfare payment and that are in a position to purchase their homes will not be deprived of the opportunity to avail of the tenant purchase scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [24963/18]

\*1309. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if persons whose credit history indicates some missed loan repayments in the past can still qualify under the Rebuilding



Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [24984/18]

\*1310. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the grant is paid on approval or on completion of the agreed work in regard to grants payable under the Domestic Waste Water Treatment Systems (Financial Assistance) Regulations 2013, that is, SI No. 222 of 2013; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [24988/18]

\*1311. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary Question No. 242 of 31 May 2018, if he will confirm that the Bible should not be on display in polling stations and should only be presented when taking oaths or affirmations by voters in certain circumstances. — Clare Daly. [25000/18]

\*1312. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the date an application by a person (details supplied) was received under the Protected Disclosure Act 2014; the reason for the delay in issuing a decision to the request; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25044/18]

\*1313. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if an association will be requested to bring a house back into repair (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25057/18]

\*1314. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of housing units owned by an association (details supplied) without a tenant; the period of time they are without a tenant by county in tabular form; the main reason in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25058/18]

\*1315. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of housing units owned by an association (details supplied) that are without a tenant; the period of time they have been without a tenant by county in tabular form; the main reason in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25059/18]

\*1316. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of planning appeals against local authority decisions decided in 2018 by An Bord Pleanála; the number of these decided within the statutory objective time of four months; the average time it is taking to decide appeals; the steps he plans to take in terms of the provision of resources or otherwise to address the delay in dealing with planning appeals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25077/18]

\*1317. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the progress made to date in discussions with the EU Commission on the Flemish Decree; his plans to hold a public consultation on this matter before issuing a new planning circular to the local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25082/18]

\*1318. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the construction of the new fire station in Kanturk, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [25124/18]

\*1319. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason a redress scheme for homeowners affected by MICA will not be committed to despite its prevalence in

County Donegal; the reason a redress scheme cannot be committed to until the consultation process is completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [25134/18]

\*1320. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by his Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25181/18]

\*1321. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the estimated annual cost if the existing subsidy to domestic group and private well water users covered the full operating costs of providing water for domestic use. — Eoin Ó Broin. [25222/18]

\*1322. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there will be a review of the powers of the chief executive role in local authorities with a view to ensuring accountability and transparency in local government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [25228/18]

\*1323. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there is a benefit solution to make up the shortfall in the cost of providing a purposed room for an autistic child in a private house after the housing adaptation grant has been granted in circumstances in which the parents that are not entitled to social welfare due to employment cannot avail of a financial institution loan due to health grounds. — Tom Neville. [25366/18]

\*1324. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will report on his announcement on 30 May 2018 regarding the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund. — Micheál Martin. [25358/18]

\*1325. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there are grants available to convert an old farm dwelling into a modern liveable dwelling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [25547/18]

\*1326. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25574/18]

\*1327. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the rules that govern the exclusion of certain members of An Bord Pleanála from participating in decision making at board level on the grounds of conflict of interest or possible conflict of interest; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25605/18]

\*1328. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason the receiver acting for NAMA has been allowed to appeal against a decision agreed in 2017 between all the parties concerned, including NAMA, to set aside 900 social and affordable homes as part of the Poolbeg West SDZ (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [25619/18]

\*1329. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to review electoral law (details supplied) to make it easier for Irish citizens living abroad or abroad on holidays to participate in future elections by availing of a postal vote; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [25623/18]

\*1330. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of clerks of works by local authority in tabular form; if his attention has been drawn to the concerns regarding the operation of the building control regulation system; if additional clerks of work will be recruited to deal with the growth of the residential construction sector of the economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [25638/18]

\*1331. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25735/18]

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

\*1332. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her views on a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [24990/18]

\*1333. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a NPWS employee (details supplied) in County Kerry will be permitted to remain in their position after their sixty fifth birthday; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [24265/18]

\*1334. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if an exemption to the regulations applied to a facility (details supplied) in County Kerry will be provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [24533/18]

\*1335. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the status of the implementation of the Programme for Partnership Government as it applies to her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [24573/18]

\*1336. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the status of an application which was made by Sligo County Council in April 2018 seeking funds to carry out repair works on the L-7506-0 on Coney Island, County Sligo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [24663/18]

\*1337. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the budget allocation to the Heritage Council in each year since 2008, in tabular form (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [24715/18]

\*1338. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht when a person (details supplied) will be compensated for cessation of turf cutting on their site as per agreement with her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [24900/18]

\*1339. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if her Department has a policy, strategy and budget in regard to the development of music for screen here; her plans to develop cultural capital in this sector; if her attention has been drawn to the fact that much of the music composition and performance contained in section 481 productions is sourced abroad; if she will consider amending section 481 to rebalance more screen composition and performance here; if the sector will be included in a report (details supplied) that is to be published shortly; and when will this report will be published. — Peadar Tóibín. [24947/18]

\*1340. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the spending on the programmes and projects since 2008 under headings (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [24948/18]

\*1341. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht when the all-party consultation group on commemorations will be re-established; her plans to proceed with convening the first meeting (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25045/18]

\*1342. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Cultúir, Oidhreacht agus Gaeltachta cén fáth nach mbeidh cúntóirí teanga breise á gcur ar fáil Meán Fómhair seo chugainn i scoileanna ina bhfuil gá leo agus atá páirteach sa Scéim Aitheantais mar Scoil Ghaeltachta; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25071/18]

\*1343. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Cultúir, Oidhreacht agus Gaeltachta cén fáth a bhfuil cúntóirí teanga breise geallta ó Mheán Fómhair seo chugainn do roinnt scoileanna nach bhfuil páirteach sa Scéim Aitheantais mar Scoil Ghaeltachta; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25072/18]

\*1344. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the funding allocation to the Heritage Council in each of the years 2008 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [25096/18]

\*1345. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the sections and parts of all legislation brought forward by her Department in each of the past four years that have yet to be commenced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25174/18]

\*1346. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a community heritage and tourism facility will be put in place at Mayne in view of the High Court decision to cease the destruction of the Mayne Bog (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [25257/18]

\*1347. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if she will examine a matter (details supplied) in relation to refugees that wish to volunteer; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [25290/18]

\*1348. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the reason the heritage in schools scheme was recently closed for bookings. — Thomas Byrne. [25349/18]

\*1349. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if funding for the heritage in schools scheme was reduced in 2018; if so, the extent of the reduction; the reason for same; and the budget for the scheme following this reduction. — Thomas Byrne. [25350/18]

\*1350. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if costs relating to oversight of the heritage in schools scheme increased in 2018; and if so, the reason for same. — Thomas Byrne. [25351/18]

\*1351. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her Department's capital allocation in each of the years 2019 to 2023; and the areas to which funds will be allocated in each of those years. — Jonathan O'Brien. [25567/18]

\*1352. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a building that is deemed not to have significant architectural heritage value can be removed from the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage list; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [25617/18]

\*1353. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if her Department will be making changes to National Parks and Wildlife guidelines for ocean seismic testing in view of new evidence published in 2017 and 2018 on the deadly impacts it can have on krill and zooplankton populations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Ryan. [25696/18]

\*1354. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the EU fines paid in each of the years 2015 to 2017, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [25729/18]

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**CEISTEANNA, SEACHAS CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH, I  
gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL DÉ CÉADAON, 13 MEITHEAMH, 2018  
QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL  
ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY, 13 JUNE, 2018**

**Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.**

1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his visit to Belfast; and the meetings that he attended and the issues that were discussed. — Micheál Martin. [25651/18]

2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the opening of the West Belfast festival. — Micheál Martin. [25653/18]

**Chun an Aire Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige: To the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs.**

3. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the reason no audit or action was taken in view of the report submitted by the Adoption Authority of Ireland on illegal registrations in 2011 and which again reported the issue in 2013. — Mick Barry. [25613/18]

4. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the date by which she plans to have the Adoption Amendment (Information and Tracing) Bill 2016 enacted; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [25647/18]

5. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of matters relating to governance at an organisation (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [25608/18]

6. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the actions being taken to inform and redress those impacted by the false recording of adoptions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [25686/18]

7. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the measures she will take to support parents that choose to care for children in the home. — Eamon Ryan. [25682/18]

8. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status the QCBI innovation fund; the way in which it can benefit projects in County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [25559/18]

9. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to introduce a new childcare capital grant scheme in 2018 to assist childcare providers to extend or provide new childcare facilities in cases in which there is an identified need for additional places; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [25642/18]

10. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the steps she will take to address the issues raised in the recently published Child Care Law Reporting Project study; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [25561/18]

11. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if the sampling exercise of adoption records held by Tusla and the Adoption Authority of Ireland will be extended to include all forms of illegal adoption and not just illegal birth registrations. — Mick Wallace. [25562/18]

12. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the measures she is taking to address concerns raised by the Health Information and Quality Authority which found significant levels of non-compliance in foster care standards; if such concerns extend to County Tipperary; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25321/18]

13. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the extent to which she can facilitate a comprehensive evaluation of the extent to which children were illegally adopted, removed from their natural parents and in some cases transported to other jurisdictions in return for a fee in the past; if such activities have been detected as being ongoing in recent times; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25658/18]

14. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the aims of the joint protocol with the Dublin Regional Homeless Executive regarding additional supports for children in emergency accommodation; the number of referrals; and if she is satisfied with the operation. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [25450/18]

15. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she is satisfied that enough supports are in place for children in direct provision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [25452/18]

16. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if the funding for a refuge (details supplied) is to be increased due to the significant increase in demand for the service in view of the fact that the funding for the counselling service was cut in the past. — Denise Mitchell. [25556/18]

17. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the actual demand for places under the early childhood care and education scheme in County Cork; the way in which deficits will be made up within individual local areas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25640/18]

18. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she has contacted all persons that were wrongly registered as biological children of adoptive parents in respect of St. Patrick's Guild, Dublin; if she has instructed Tusla to review all historical records at the institution; if all records of other non-State adoption agencies and boards were contacted to determine if other similar false registrations were carried out in full rather than just a sample of same; her plans to review State bodies in respect of their historical adoption records; if her attention has been drawn to State bodies in which situations exist that merit investigation in respect of offering adoption services and or advice on same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [24820/18]



19. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of the 126 persons affected by the St. Patrick's Guild adoption scandal that have now been informed of the false registration; if her Department and Tusla have asked An Garda Síochána to bring criminal charges against those involved in the St. Patrick's Guild false registration of births between 1946 and 1969; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24860/18]

20. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the extent to which she remains satisfied regarding the adequacy of the budget available to her Department to cater for the full extent of her Department's responsibilities including the protection of children, the monitoring of at risk cases and the follow-up as necessary; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [25657/18]

21. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her Department will seek to seize records immediately in order to transfer them to a central location in which they can be fully audited and preserved in view of the scale of documents held by private adoption agencies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [25107/18]

22. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the estimated deficit in social workers working in or assigned to County Tipperary; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [25320/18]

23. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she is satisfied with the capacity of the ECCE sector and its ability to deliver a universal service across the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [25648/18]

24. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she is satisfied that the school completion programme is operating effectively. — Sean Sherlock. [25607/18]

25. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of cases of illegal registrations and or illegal adoptions that have been reported to her Department by Tusla since 2014; and the number reported by the HSE prior to 2014. — Mick Barry. [25614/18]

26. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she has taken steps to address the fact that many children in foster care are placed under a voluntary care order; and the issues arising from same. — Anne Rabbitte. [25645/18]

27. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the steps she has taken to enact the recommendations of the Internet Content Governance Advisory Council; if additional steps will be taken to ensure the safety of children online; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [25646/18]

28. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will report on the possible inclusion of child minders in the ECCE scheme and their value as additional options for parents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [25451/18]

29. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to increase substantially the maximum level of grant aid in respect of the provision of new childcare facilities in cases in which there is an identified need for additional places and in which the maximum level of grant aid under the present scheme would be inadequate to support a community childcare organisation to provide accommodation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [25641/18]

30. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if the affordable childcare scheme is on target to launch in September 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [25639/18]

31. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the supports being provided to children in homeless accommodation including hubs; the studies that are taking place to evaluate the impact of homelessness on those children; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [24893/18]

32. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the steps she is taking to support stay-at-home parents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24818/18]

33. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the average length of time a care order placing children in care; and her views on whether care orders can be too long in duration. — Sean Sherlock. [25609/18]

34. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of progress in implementing the findings of the ESRI report on the school completion programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [25649/18]

35. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the affordable childcare scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [24819/18]

36. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if the funding for a centre (details supplied) is to increase due to the significant increase in demand for the service and in view of the fact that the funding for the counselling service was cut in the past. — Kathleen Funchion. [24824/18]

37. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the implementation of the affordable childcare scheme; when she expects it to be fully functioning; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [25560/18]