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CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

1. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the emergency contingencies and supports in place to safeguard SMEs and export businesses here from a hard Brexit scenario if the UK leaves the EU on 29 March 2018 with no deal in place; if a formal request will be submitted to the Director General for Competition seeking changes to state aid rules in advance of the March 2019 deadline; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [4743/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the legislation and changes that will be needed in her Department to prepare for a no-deal Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [4700/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she is satisfied with the level of public research and development funding and capital expenditure in public research; if she will consider introducing a new five year cycle with respect to the programme for research in third-level institutions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [4744/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the analysis undertaken on the effect on businesses here if in the event of a no-deal Brexit border controls were implemented in continental ports checking goods arriving from Ireland; and the measures she has considered to mitigate the negative impact on business here. — Eamon Ryan. [4872/19]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

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

5. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will reconsider her decision not to publish the original ODCE report into the collapse of a trial (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [4679/19]

6. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she has taken to date and the action planned to tackle the high cost of insurance for businesses; the discussions she has held with the Minister for Finance regarding the problem for businesses; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [4674/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to protect business along the Border in view of Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4434/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she and agencies under her aegis are taking to support job creation in counties Westmeath and Longford; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [4443/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the degree to which she continues to maximise opportunities for the expansion of business through the medium of innovation technology nationally with particular reference to the need to encourage and ensure an even spread of investment throughout the regions thus alleviating the pressure on the more densely populated areas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4639/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of regional IDA site visits and vacant IDA properties nationwide by county at 31 December 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [4568/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to provide specific incentives to attract inward investment to the Border region to create employment in view of the particular difficulties that will arise for business and commerce in areas such as counties Cavan and Monaghan due to the adverse impacts of Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [4667/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when she will publish an account of the investigative failures identified by a person (details supplied); the steps being taken to address the investigative failures emanating from the trial of a person; and the status of action points committed to in the report Measures to Enhance Ireland's Corporate, Economic and Regulatory Framework published in November 2017. — Billy Kelleher. [4567/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the input her Department has had into the process of drafting legislation to tackle white collar crime; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [4680/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps being taken by Enterprise Ireland and the IDA to promote job creation in County Sligo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [4440/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to provide specific assistance to businesses in the Border region in the agri-food construction products and engineering sectors to maintain existing employment due to the difficulties that will arise for such sectors due to Brexit and their dependence on the Northern Ireland and British markets to export products to; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [4668/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if professional roles (details supplied) will be added to the critical skills work permit lists in order to meet the skills shortages in the construction sector; the steps being taken to increase the speed at which work permits are being issued; and the number of outstanding work permits in all sectors that remain to be processed. — Billy Kelleher. [4569/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new first time investments by new IDA client companies in County Donegal for each of the past ten years; the

percentage of the national total of new client investments in each of the years this represents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [4439/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the most recent occasion on which the IDA visited counties Cavan, Monaghan and Meath; the number of new jobs that have been created by the IDA in the past 12 months; the steps it is taking to attract companies to the counties; the success it has had with the strategy for the counties; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4431/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on the findings by the EU Research and Innovation Observatory (details supplied) that Ireland is below the European average for research and development spending; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [4565/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she will take to assist companies in the Border counties to be prepared for Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [4437/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the way in which the worldwide decline in foreign direct investment in 2018 is impacting Ireland; if the figure of a fall of €106 billion for Ireland in 2018 published by the UN Conference on Trade and Development is accurate; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [4669/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the uptake in the various schemes offered to allow businesses to prepare for Brexit; her views on whether SMEs in County Cork are adequately prepared for Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [4689/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the monitoring her Department is undertaking of the Brexit readiness of businesses here; the percentage of businesses she expects to be prepared for Brexit; if there is a regional difference in preparedness arrangements being made by exporting businesses to maintain trading links with the 26 EU partners after 29 March 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [4430/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will report on her meeting with the EU Commissioner for Competition; the discussions she had in relation to state aid rules and the way in which they will affect the ability to assist companies that are negatively impacted by Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [4589/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of the uptake of the Brexit business supports to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [4672/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on whether the EU regional aid status of Kells and north County Meath granted in 2014 has had a positive impact in terms of local investment or incentives and grants to encourage employers to locate in the area; her views on whether enough has been done to promote Kells and north County Meath as a location for investment and business development; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [4432/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she is taking to promote job creation in the mid-east region including County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [4550/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the county specific targets on job creation mandated for local enterprise offices in County Galway; the number of local enterprise supported jobs created to date in 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [51855/18]

29. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the date on which she received the latest update from the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission on its investigation into the insurance market; her engagement with the Commission in relation to the issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4438/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps the IDA is taking as part of its efforts to attract data centre investment to ensure that the climate effects of locating data centres here will be fully mitigated by those companies it is courting to build here in view of the goal of ramping up the construction of data centres. — Clare Daly. [4671/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she is taking to help businesses prepare for Brexit particularly in the Border region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4467/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the position regarding the assistance available to businesses that wish to sell online to compete in the growing online market; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [4591/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the contingencies and supports in place to safeguard SMEs from a hard Brexit or no-deal scenario; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [4436/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the way in which she will interact with Dáil Éireann to ensure that the elements of the miscellaneous provisions (withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union on 29 March 2019) Bill that relate to her brief are adequately debated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [4590/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when the new regional enterprise plans will be launched; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [4441/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of IDA visits to County Cork in 2018; if she is satisfied with the amount of foreign direct investment into County Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [4688/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she is satisfied with the level of investment and IDA visits to County Meath in 2018; and if she is further satisfied with the level of investment specifically in the IDA parks in County Meath. — Thomas Byrne. [4433/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the anticipated launch date for the new regional enterprise plans; the impact the plans will have on rural job creation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [4527/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the supports that will be made available for businesses along the Border which will be vulnerable in the case of a no-deal Brexit. — Peadar Tóibín. [4681/19]

40. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extra scrutiny undertaken when assessing applications for the export of category 5 dual use items to states with a record of oppression and human rights abuses such as Saudi Arabia, UAE, Bahrain and Israel. — Clare Daly. [4670/19]

41. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to introduce measures to attract more indigenous businesses and multinationals to locate in regional areas here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [4673/19]

42. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when the new regional enterprise plans will be launched; the benefits this will have for the midlands region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [4442/19]

43. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to enhance the role of the local enterprise offices; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4468/19]

44. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the plans agencies under her aegis have to provide support to companies negatively affected by Brexit particularly in the absence of a deal between the EU and the UK; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [4592/19]

45. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she continues to take the necessary measures to ensure continued investment in manufacturing and services nationally regardless of the shape Brexit may take; the degree to which new markets are being identified and created; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4640/19]

46. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation further to Parliamentary Question No. 509 of 15 January 2019, if she will further expand on the 55 Brexit related investments with over 4,500 associated jobs; the industries the investments relate to; if the associated jobs are to be based here; if so, the regions in which they will be based; the number of new Brexit related jobs in the financial sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [4429/19]

47. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when legislation to provide for a minimum five year expiry date on gift vouchers will be enacted; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [4525/19]

48. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new IDA jobs created in County Carlow in 2018; the increase since 2011; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [4526/19]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

*49. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of vacancies in the Reserve Defence Forces by rank and unit at 31 December 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [4726/19]

*50. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number and rank of Reserve Defence Forces officer vacancies which arose in 2017 and 2018; the number promoted to fill the vacancies by brigade to date; the date on which further interviews will be conducted in each brigade to fill vacancies in the rank of captain, commandant and lieutenant colonel; the standard procedure to anticipate vacancies arising in the PDF officer ranks which is not applied in the RDF; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [4727/19]

*51. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if all Defence Forces personnel will be remeasured in view of his acknowledgement that inaccurate measurement has occurred; if the procedures for height measurement are being reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [4740/19]

*52. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if he is satisfied with the procedures carried out by the Defence Forces medical personnel to measure the height of recruits during the recruitment process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [4814/19]

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

*53. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if an Irish citizen legally registered in Britain as the mother of a child conceived through assisted human reproduction to their British spouse that is the birth mother is eligible to apply for an Irish passport for the child. — Seán Crowe. [4735/19]

*54. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if funding was provided in 2018 to the UNFPA supplies (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [4777/19]

*55. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his Department has been contacted by representatives of the administration of the United States of America with regard to the use of technology by a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4857/19]

*56. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the violent response of the Government of President Omar al-Bashir against protesters in Sudan in recent weeks will be condemned; if Ireland will put pressure on the EU to denounce the acts of oppression carried out by the Sudanese Government including curbing press freedom and detaining journalists and protesters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [4883/19]

*57. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if consideration is being given to appointing an Irish consul in Guinea; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4911/19]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*58. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason for changing the application of VAT (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [4835/19]

*59. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of plans to identify immediate and long-term measures to address the increasing cost of employer and public liability insurance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [4742/19]

*60. To ask the Minister for Finance if consideration has been given to providing a limited capital allowance scheme in designated areas to build residential accommodation for the rental market; if further consideration has been given to allow the VAT on construction costs to be reclaimed with a view to reducing the price for potential renters and purchasers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [4750/19]

*61. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the analysis on the impact of the increase in betting tax to date; when a report will issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4770/19]

*62. To ask the Minister for Finance the payments made by motor insurers in each of the past five years by type of claims, that is, third party, comprehensive and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4780/19]

*63. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason the Central Bank has ceased selling collector coin sets over the counter; if same is sold over the internet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [4805/19]

*64. To ask the Minister for Finance if supplements such as probiotics that are being taken on the advice of or as prescribed by a consultant gastroenterologist will be subject to a 23% VAT rate after 1 March 2019 or if an exemption will apply. — Clare Daly. [4806/19]

*65. To ask the Minister for Finance when the 2019 Tax Strategy Group paper including a review of VAT rates for food supplements and vitamins will be published. — Clare Daly. [4807/19]

*66. To ask the Minister for Finance if the decision to introduce a VAT rate of 23% on food supplements such as vitamins will be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [4844/19]

*67. To ask the Minister for Finance if the flat rate expenses regime already identified as not meeting the required criteria under the Revenue Commissioners review of such schemes are to be further reviewed; if not, if they are scheduled to cease on 1 January 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4846/19]

*68. To ask the Minister for Finance the rationale for the 23% VAT rate for health supplements; if his attention has been drawn to the effect it will have on regular purchasers of supplements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [4882/19]

*69. To ask the Minister for Finance when he expects to introduce the investment limited partnership and Irish collective asset-management vehicle (amendment) Bill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [4895/19]

*70. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of property tax due in respect of the former home of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4933/19]

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

*71. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of civil servants on the panel for a transfer from his Department and agencies under his remit; the length of time applicants have been on the list for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [4754/19]

*72. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if funding will be provided to build a boat (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4823/19]

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

*73. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps he is taking to address the capacity issue at a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [4706/19]

*74. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of children with autism in Cork city and county on waiting lists for secondary school places; and the number of secondary school places allocated for children with autism in Cork city and county. — Róisín Shortall. [4718/19]

*75. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if upgrades will be carried out on a computer in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4719/19]

*76. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if full SNA hours will be put in place for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [4720/19]

*77. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a matter in relation to emergency taxation on the salary of a person (details supplied) will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4721/19]

*78. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4760/19]

*79. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a set time is made available for children to eat their lunch; and if not, the way in which schools manage the situation in order to enable children to eat healthily and properly. — Clare Daly. [4761/19]

*80. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if it is or has been a requirement that a teacher must on every occasion witness an act of bullying before the school can determine bullying to have occurred within the public school system here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [4764/19]

*81. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if it is within the power of a board of management of a public school to change or reverse a decision made by a previous board of management; the conditions under which such a change can be made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [4765/19]

*82. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the time allocated for lunch breaks and eating in primary schools nationally; if there are different break times in different schools; if he has received reports of issues with break times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [4774/19]

*83. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his Department is liaising with the Department of Health to examine projects in relation to good eating habits for children in schools; his plans to introduce such programmes; his plans to extend breakfast clubs to all schools; his plans to introduce a hot lunch for all children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [4775/19]

*84. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the rationale for the building of a school in Ballyconnell, County Cavan and the closure of two schools (details supplied); the reason there was no prior consultation with the respective communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [4785/19]

*85. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps he is taking to resolve the PAYE crisis that teachers are facing as a result of an information technology problem in the payroll section of his Department; the length of time they will have to wait for it to be resolved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [4801/19]

*86. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4808/19]

*87. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4809/19]

*88. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to a problem with the payroll system and the new PAYE system which has resulted in some substitute teachers not receiving their tax credits and reduced wages. — Thomas Byrne. [4815/19]

*89. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress made on a school building project (details supplied); the timeframe for the appointment of contractors in order to deliver the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [4829/19]

*90. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his Department has issued directives or been in contact with universities or institutes of technology with regard to technology projects by a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4858/19]

*91. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to a petition regarding healthier eating and the time allocation for same in primary and second-level schools (details supplied); the status of initiatives underway and or planned for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4889/19]

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

*92. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the rules and regulations in place for a person or company with banking software, knowledge and expertise to analyse mortgages in conjunction with MABS which has clients in debt and or mortgage distress; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [4935/19]

*93. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons from Yemen applying for asylum here; and the number that have been granted refugee status. — Thomas Pringle. [4745/19]

*94. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason refugees from Yemen are not included under the refugee protection programme humanitarian admission programme; and when the decision to exclude Yemen will be reviewed. — Thomas Pringle. [4746/19]

*95. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if consideration has been given to include refugees from Yemen under the refugee protection programme humanitarian admission programme in view of the recent passage of the all-party motion in Seanad Éireann recognising the displacement of 3.1 million persons in Yemen due to conflict,. — Thomas Pringle. [4747/19]

*96. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of civil servants on the panel for a transfer from his Department and agencies under his remit; the length of time applicants have been on the list for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [4753/19]

*97. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of arrests, prosecutions and convictions for driving offences involving a HGV and PSV drivers in each of the years 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the number of dangerous driving offences in each of the years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [4772/19]

*98. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position regarding centenary commemorations in relation to the founding of the Civic Guard and An Garda Síochána; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [4812/19]

*99. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason the strength of community gardaí has not increased in view of recent increases in Garda numbers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [4828/19]

*100. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of his plans to introduce gambling regulation measures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [4859/19]

*101. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to review Part 11 or Part 13 of the Criminal Justice Act 2006 in relation to extending anti-social behaviour orders to social media usage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [4867/19]

*102. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of juvenile good behaviour contracts issued in each of the years 2007 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [4868/19]

*103. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of juvenile anti-social behaviour orders issued in each of the years 2007 to 2018 and to date in 2019, under Part 13 of the Criminal Justice Act 2006; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [4869/19]

*104. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of anti-social behaviour orders issued in each of the years 2007 to 2018 to date in 2019 under Part 11 of the Criminal Justice Act 2006; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [4870/19]

*105. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when a person (details supplied) will be given a determination in respect of a citizenship application made in August 2016. — Jim O’Callaghan. [4886/19]

*106. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 274 of 18 December 2018, the residency status and potential for upgrade or naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); if a case can take such a length of time to process; if there is a likelihood of action in the near future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4903/19]

*107. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if travel documents will issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4905/19]

*108. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position with regard to a join spouse visa in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4906/19]

*109. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the request of a person (details supplied) for revocation of a deportation order will be considered; if the case will be considered on humanitarian grounds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4907/19]

*110. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if consideration will be given to an offer of temporary residency status or stamp 4 in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4908/19]

*111. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and or expected residency status with potential for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4910/19]

*112. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if alternative arrangements will be made to facilitate a person (details supplied) who cannot obtain their national passport and is being encouraged to travel back to their home country in order to obtain the document; if alternative means will be found to update their residency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4912/19]

*113. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and expected residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4914/19]

*114. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4915/19]

*115. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and expected residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4916/19]

*116. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when a travel document or naturalisation in lieu thereof will issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4920/19]

*117. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a matter will be clarified in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4921/19]

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

*118. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she is satisfied with the number of IDA site visits to County Wexford from January 2017 to the end of 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [53442/18]

*119. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount expended here as a percentage of GNP on research spending in each of the years 2010 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Billy Kelleher. [4766/19]

*120. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the benefits accrued to a person (details supplied) when their pension entitlements transferred from a company to the public sector transfer network in 1974; if they were paid a lump sum at the time; the way in which this transfer improved their pension entitlements; the details of the knock-for-knock system of contributions relative to the company operative date 30 April 1976; the effect on entitlements when they were made redundant in December 1987 by the company; the amount of redundancy received; if a record of the contributions of the person will be provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [4838/19]

*121. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which measures have put in place to counter the impact of Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4923/19]

*122. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she expects to be in a position to improve conditions for business and enterprise with particular reference to the extent to which industry can be supported in its competition throughout the sector in view of the changes taking place globally; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4924/19]

*123. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she can assist companies and sole traders seeking to employ persons from outside the EU; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4925/19]

*124. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she can continue to assist business and enterprise throughout County Kildare using the medium of innovation and technology to enhance business development opportunities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4926/19]

*125. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the degree to which she continues to encourage and foster job opportunities throughout the regions with particular reference to the need to ensure an even spread of employment opportunities nationally; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4927/19]

*126. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the degree to which she expects to be in a position to combat the effects of Brexit in respect of exports to the UK in the food and service sectors; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4928/19]

*127. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the degree to which she continues to assist small and medium enterprises; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4929/19]

*128. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she expects favourable consideration from the European Union to assist manufacturer and services providers throughout County Kildare and nationally in view of the negative impact of Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4930/19]

*129. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the degree to which she continues to assist small businesses affected by competition from outside the EU; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4931/19]

*130. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the degree to which she continues to assist enterprises headed by women nationally with particular reference to the need to address previously recognised employment blackspots; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4932/19]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*131. To ask the Minister for Health if there will be no delay to a primary care centre (details supplied) in Dublin 12 in view of the new national children's hospital budget overrun. — Joan Collins. [4850/19]

*132. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4701/19]

*133. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be available for a full-time residential placement for a person (details supplied). — Dara Calleary. [4703/19]

*134. To ask the Minister for Health when a hospital appointment for required surgery will be facilitated in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4708/19]

*135. 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. [4709/19]

*136. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the efficacy of self-regulation in context of an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4710/19]

*137. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against psychiatric nurses in each of the years 2011 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4711/19]

*138. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which patients are selected for referral via the NTPF to private hospitals for treatment with specific reference to a hospital (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [4715/19]

*139. To ask the Minister for Health if a matter regarding funding for an organisation (details supplied) will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4717/19]

*140. To ask the Minister for Health if he is satisfied with the satellite navigation system in the National Ambulance Service and the use of the Eircode system at present; if an incident in the case of a person (details supplied) will be investigated; if assurances that a similar incident will not reoccur will be given; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [4722/19]

*141. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4725/19]

*142. To ask the Minister for Health if accessibility issues in relation to a health centre (details supplied) in County Kerry will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4731/19]

*143. To ask the Minister for Health if assistance in relation to a matter will be provided to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4733/19]

*144. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the construction of a helipad at Cork University Hospital to facilitate an air ambulance service (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [4734/19]

*145. To ask the Minister for Health the status of staffing at an office (details supplied); his plans to increase staff at the location; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4736/19]

*146. To ask the Minister for Health if he will review a matter (details supplied) with a view to extending the hours and finance being made available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4737/19]

*147. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of HIQA inspections which are unannounced; his plans to increase the figure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [4739/19]

*148. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce funding for a catch-up programme for meningitis B vaccinations for children born before October 2016 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4748/19]

*149. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for an outpatients appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [4749/19]

*150. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied); if an appointment will be scheduled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4752/19]

*151. To ask the Minister for Health the service level agreement or other governance arrangements in place and the amount of funding provided to an organisation (details supplied) either directly by his Department or through the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [4756/19]

*152. To ask the Minister for Health the timeline on the proposed introduction of changes to the fair deal legislation to assist farmers and small business owners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [4759/19]

*153. To ask the Minister for Health the due diligence that was carried out to ascertain the business links between companies (details supplied) before one of the companies was appointed to carry out the assessment of the costs of the national children's hospital. — Pearse Doherty. [4763/19]

*154. To ask the Minister for Health if a company (details supplied) is the on-site project compliance manager for a construction company on the new children's hospital. — Louise O'Reilly. [4773/19]

*155. To ask the Minister for Health if treatment for a person (details supplied) will be approved under the cross border scheme. — Robert Troy. [4776/19]

*156. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be placed back on a waiting list. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [4779/19]

*157. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be seen by a gastroenterologist at Cork University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Ferris. [4781/19]

*158. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding home help shifts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4782/19]

*159. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4783/19]

*160. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied); the reason they have not received speech and language therapy in almost two years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4784/19]

*161. To ask the Minister for Health the final cost of submitting the scheme for planning on the Mater Hospital site in relation to the new national children's hospital (details supplied). — Bríd Smith. [4786/19]

*162. To ask the Minister for Health if the brief changed from that in the first planning application for the Mater Hospital site in relation to the new national children's hospital; if so, the way in which; and the person or body responsible for the preparation of the brief and its subsequent changes. — Bríd Smith. [4787/19]

*163. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a contract with a company (details supplied) in relation to the new national children's hospital was not a fixed price contract. — Bríd Smith. [4788/19]

*164. To ask the Minister for Health if the practice of agreeing large infrastructural projects such as the national children's hospital without a fixed price is standard; and if other large health projects are conducted in a similar manner. — Bríd Smith. [4789/19]

*165. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 381 of 22 January 2019, if a high dependency bed was available over the Christmas 2018 period, that is, 23 December to 26 December in the Coombe Women's and Infants University Maternity Hospital. — Clare Daly. [4790/19]

*166. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 381 of 22 January 2019, the midwifery and obstetric registrar staffing levels in the Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital for the period of 23 to 26 December 2018; and the obstetric consultant cover available. — Clare Daly. [4791/19]

*167. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the all island children's cardiac surgery centre in Dublin; the funding arrangements of the centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [4792/19]

*168. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for a respite house at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4802/19]

*169. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans to implement a national opt out organ donation policy; his views on whether this needs to be implemented as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [4811/19]

*170. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hip operation for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4816/19]

*171. 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. [4817/19]

*172. To ask the Minister for Health the functional significance of a test (details supplied); if the Health Service Executive recognises the test; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4818/19]

*173. 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. [4819/19]

*174. 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. [4820/19]

*175. 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. [4821/19]

*176. To ask the Minister for Health if the parents of a severely disabled child (details supplied) will be allowed to collect three months supply of the child's medical supplies as opposed to one month's supply from Cherry Orchard Hospital as is the case when supplies are delivered to their home. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [4824/19]

*177. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made to best strengthen the chain of survival for cardiac arrest for example increasing CPR training, building on the community first responder programme and making public access defibrillators more easily accessible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [4826/19]

*178. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4831/19]

*179. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the capacity plan the HSE is developing for the CervicalCheck programme; the timeline to have the plan actioned; the extra resources that will be deployed to ensure that the backlog of cases is dealt with; if the turnaround time for the tests will be brought back to the previous waiting time of four to six weeks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [4839/19]

*180. To ask the Minister for Health the timelines for the introduction of minimum unit pricing for alcohol products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [4840/19]

*181. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on a waiting list for bariatric surgery at Galway University Hospital by length of time on the waiting list; the number on the equivalent waiting list at the same time one and two years ago, respectively; the number of surgeries carried out in each of the past three years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4841/19]

*182. To ask the Minister for Health if a person can secure funding to access private services for a child with disabilities if the services cannot be delivered within the public service locally or if the public service available locally has a waiting list of a year or more, in view of the fact that the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities has been ratified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4842/19]

*183. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [4847/19]

*184. To ask the Minister for Health if the demands of a union (details supplied) representing the general practitioners that are under pressure will be recognised; the steps being taken to deal with the issue that patients are unable to sign up to a new general practitioner in view of the fact that the system is at capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [4853/19]

*185. To ask the Minister for Health the stage at which the development of the Sacred Heart Hospital, Roscommon is at; if the design team has incorporated a day care unit dedicated to older persons and to persons with dementia or Alzheimer's disease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [4854/19]

*186. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department has undertaken an assessment of the results arising for respiratory disease sufferers that have benefitted from the warmth and wellbeing scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [4863/19]

*187. To ask the Minister for Health the status of his plans to regulate the piercing and tattoo sector; the status of guidelines on the sector; the age of consent for such procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [4871/19]

*188. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which a care assistant (details supplied) can apply for a transfer to an elderly care facility run by the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4873/19]

*189. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting a first assessment from the HSE under the Disability Act 2005 by each local health office area in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [4874/19]

*190. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy assessment waiting list for each local health area in tabular form; and the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [4875/19]

*191. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy initial treatment waiting list for each local health area in tabular form; and the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [4876/19]

*192. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy further treatment waiting list for each local health area in tabular form; and the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [4877/19]

*193. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy first time assessment waiting list for each local health area in tabular form; and the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [4878/19]

*194. To ask the Minister for Health when he expects the full appointment of the counsellors and psychotherapists registration board; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [4894/19]

*195. To ask the Minister for Health if a complaint made by the family of a person (details supplied) with respect to purported deficits in the care and level of treatment provided to the person at Letterkenny University Hospital has been received by the HSE; if a response has issued to the complaint; the efforts made by authorities to address the concerns raised therein and investigate same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4900/19]

*196. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will not be delayed for a project (details supplied) in view of the overrun of the funding for the national children's hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [4902/19]

*197. To ask the Minister for Health when a medical card will issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4904/19]

*198. To ask the Minister for Health when a medical card will issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4909/19]

*199. To ask the Minister for Health if the issuing of a medical card will be expedited in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4918/19]

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

*200. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a person (details supplied) has grounds for appeal with respect to an areas of natural constraint application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [4716/19]

*201. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 796 of 6 November 2018, if the information promised will be provided. — Clare Daly. [4751/19]

*202. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a matter in relation to a fish catch (details supplied) in County Kerry will be recognised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4768/19]

*203. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address a matter regarding the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4771/19]

Chun an Aire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil: To the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment.

*204. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if an application for the insulation of a house under the SEAI warmer homes scheme by a person (details supplied) will be considered; if the application will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [4714/19]

*205. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the scale and timeline for a project by ESB eCars to develop a nationwide, state of the art electric vehicle fast charging network capable of facilitating large-scale electric vehicle uptake over the next decade; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [4825/19]

*206. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of homes upgraded under the warmth and wellbeing scheme per annum since its inception; the average cost per home; and the amount spent to date under the scheme. — Timmy Dooley. [4862/19]

*207. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of applications received for the 2018 anti-illegal dumping initiative by county; the number of successful applicants by county; the amount distributed to date by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [4864/19]

*208. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the amount spent under the 2017 anti-dumping initiative specifically on information and communications technology enforcement tools such as CCTV and drones; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [4865/19]

*209. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of applications received for the 2017 anti-illegal dumping initiative by county; the number of successful applicants by county; the amount distributed by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [4866/19]

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

*210. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of his engagement on the proposed plans for free interrail across the EU for students; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4861/19]

*211. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a driver test for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4724/19]

*212. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the planned upgrade works to the N4 route between Mullingar and Longford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [4778/19]

*213. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of persons awaiting driver test dates by county; the average waiting time; and the longest waiting time in tabular form. — Imelda Munster. [4794/19]

*214. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of persons that have been given driver test dates by county; the average time between receiving the date and the test date itself; and the longest waiting time between receiving the test date itself in tabular form. — Imelda Munster. [4795/19]

*215. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of driver test centres; and the location of each centre by county in tabular form. — Imelda Munster. [4796/19]

*216. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of additional driver testers recruited each month since January 2018 by county; the location each tester has been stationed to work; and the number of testers required in each centre in order for them to be fully staffed. — Imelda Munster. [4797/19]

*217. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the travel options available to persons that are awaiting a driver test date in rural areas that do not have an adequate public transport system that need to get to educational institutes and work and are not in a position to travel to same with a passenger that is in possession of a full driver licence. — Imelda Munster. [4798/19]

*218. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the areas catered to by LocalLink; and his plans to extend the service in the future. — Imelda Munster. [4799/19]

*219. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he will publish the findings of a review into the evening services pilot by LocalLink. — Imelda Munster. [4800/19]

*220. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of taxi plates in each county nationally. — Imelda Munster. [4810/19]

*221. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has met with representatives of a company (details supplied) within the past 12 months; and if so, if the decisions to cancel routes between Rosslare and France were discussed. — Robert Troy. [4833/19]

*222. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has meetings planned with representatives of a company (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [4834/19]

*223. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the law in relation to the use of flashing beacons by moving vehicles; the vehicles permitted and not permitted to use flashing beacons; and the circumstances in which flashing beacons must or must not be used by moving vehicles. — David Cullinane. [4843/19]

*224. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the changes in scheduling that have taken place in bus routes now operated by a company (details supplied) in comparison to when the routes were operated by Dublin Bus; the reason for the frequent disruption to services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4851/19]

*225. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to open a national driver licence centre in Dundalk, County Louth to service those living in the northern half of County Louth that may have difficulty in getting to the office in Drogheda, County Louth; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [4852/19]

*226. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on whether the continued control and operation of Rosslare Europort by Iarnród Éireann is an appropriate model; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [4856/19]

*227. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has discussed with Dublin Bus reviewing its advertising standards to include the banning of high in salt and fat content food advertisements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [4860/19]

*228. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if upgrade works on the County Westmeath portion of the R392, Mullingar to Ballymahon Road will receive funding. — Robert Troy. [4879/19]

Chun an Aire Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige: To the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs.

*229. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if a copy of a report (details supplied) to examine the youth service grant in its totality will be provided; her views on the report; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [4758/19]

*230. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will request Tusla to address a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4762/19]

*231. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if experience and or qualifications in general corporate governance were considered during the recent selection process for a new chair of Tusla; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [4836/19]

*232. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if there has been a change in terms of Departmental or Tusla policy regarding meetings between the chief executive or the chief operating officer at Tusla and key stakeholders such as elected representatives and members of advocacy groups. — Anne Rabbitte. [4837/19]

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

*233. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason a person (details supplied) has been refused jobseeker's benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [4707/19]

*234. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4728/19]

*235. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if persons that are forced to retire at 65 years of age and subsequently qualify for jobseeker's benefit can work part-time if the option arises without their benefit being reduced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [4729/19]

*236. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the system for persons that retire at 65 years of age and then have to claim jobseeker's benefit for a year before reaching pension age will be reviewed (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [4730/19]

*237. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the requirements which will be in place to in order for the self-employed to avail of jobseeker's allowance and benefit in 2019, if the payments will be means tested; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [4732/19]

*238. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a case (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4738/19]

*239. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a family income supplement application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4755/19]

*240. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision in relation to a carer's application by a person (details supplied) will be made; the reason for the delay in relation to same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [4769/19]

*241. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an application for carer's benefit by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [4793/19]

*242. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when payment arrears will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4822/19]

*243. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the supports available to a person that is on a community employment scheme that plans to commence their own business in a self-employed capacity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4832/19]

*244. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the details of the planned interdepartmental review of community employment schemes; the persons or bodies and from which Departments the group will be tasked with undertaking the said review will be comprised; the terms of reference of the group; if the views and opinions of community employment scheme participants, supervisors and other relevant stakeholders will be sought as part of the review; if the roles of existing post holders such as those employed as community employment scheme supervisors and assistant supervisors will be safeguarded; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4845/19]

*245. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an oral hearing will be heard in relation to a domiciliary care allowance appeal by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4848/19]

*246. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application for a disability allowance by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4885/19]

*247. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application for a disability allowance by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4887/19]

*248. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the new metrics and methodology her Department is developing in order to measure and reduce child poverty in advance of the promised new plan to reduce same in view of the failure to meet targets for the reduction in child poverty; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [4892/19]

*249. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when the restoration of disability allowance will take place in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4913/19]

*250. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an application for an invalidity pension will be expedited in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4917/19]

*251. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when an application for carer's benefit in the case of a person (details supplied) will be approved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4919/19]

*252. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 257 of 17 January 2019, if the case of a person (details supplied) will be further reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4922/19]

*253. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a person (details supplied) is liable for the deduction of the total amount accruing from employment in payment of jobseeker's allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4934/19]

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

*254. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of progress in relation to the new wind turbine guidelines; when the guidelines will be published; the instructions he will provide in relation to a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [4880/19]

*255. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the maritime area and foreshore (amendment Bill) will be brought before Dáil Éireann; the key elements of the legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [4704/19]

*256. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to whether councils sent incorrect guidelines in relation to assessment for the housing adaptation grant for people with a disability scheme; the number of persons that could be affected across all local authorities; the amount potentially denied to applicants across all local authorities due to councils not applying the correct rules to means testing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4803/19]

*257. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason councils were issued incorrect guidelines in relation to assessment for the housing adaptation grant for people with a disability scheme; the number of persons that could be affected by all local authorities; the estimated number that could have been denied to applicants by local authorities nationally due to councils not applying the correct rules in relation to means testing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4849/19]

*258. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of open applications for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan by local authority area; the length of time applications have been open (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [4896/19]

*259. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of open applications for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan that are with local authorities for processing and decision; the number of open applications that are with the Housing Agency for processing and decision; the breakdown by the time they have been with the local authority or Housing Agency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [4897/19]

*260. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of persons working in the Housing Agency on applications for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [4898/19]

*261. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of persons working in each local authority on applications for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [4899/19]

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

*262. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the conditions that have been placed on further funding to Cork City Council for a centre (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [4813/19]

*263. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht further to Parliamentary Question No. 668 of 13 November 2018, the position in relation to the extra public funding for the project; if the extra €10 million is a grant or loan; if it is a loan, the terms and conditions attached; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [4901/19]

