# DÁIL ÉIREANN

Déardaoin, 5 Bealtaine, 2005 Thursday, 5th May, 2005 10.30 a.m.

## GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

**43.** Tairiscint *maidir le* Féinmharú (*atógáil*). Motion *re* Suicide (*resumed*).

## ORD GNÓ ORDER OF BUSINESS

- **a10.** Tairiscint *maidir le* Ceadú beartaithe ag Dáil Éireann i ndáil leis an Ordú fán Acht um Choimisiún chun Drochúsáid Leanaí a Fhiosrú 2000 (Alt 5) (Tréimhse Shonraithe) 2005 a tharchur chuig Comhchoiste.
  - Motion *re* Referral to Joint Committee of proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (Section 5) (Specified Period) Order 2005.
- **a6.** An Bille um Chomhaontú na Breataine-na hÉireann (Leasú) 2005 Ordú don Dara Céim.

British-Irish Agreement (Amendment) Bill 2005 — Order for Second Stage.

## FÓGRA I dTAOBH GNÓ NUA NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

- **5a.** An Bille um Leasanna Idirnáisiúnta i dTrealamh Soghluaiste (Coinbhinsiún Cape Town) 2005 [Seanad] An Dara Céim.
  - International Interests in Mobile Equipment (Cape Town Convention) Bill 2005 [Seanad] Second Stage.
- **5b.** An Bille um Shábháilteacht Mhuirí 2004 [Seanad] An Dara Céim. Maritime Safety Bill 2004 [Seanad] Second Stage.
- **14a.** Tairiscint *maidir leis* an Ordú fán Acht um Choimisiún chun Drochúsáid Leanaí a Fhiosrú 2000 (Alt 5) (Tréimhse Shonraithe) 2005.
  - Motion *re* Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (Section 5) (Specified Period) Order 2005.

## I dTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad

5a. An Bille um Leasanna Idirnáisiúnta i dTrealamh Soghluaiste (Coinbhinsiún Cape Town) 2005 [Seanad] — An Dara Céim.

International Interests in Mobile Equipment (Cape Town Convention) Bill 2005 [Seanad] — Second Stage.

5b. An Bille um Shábháilteacht Mhuirí 2004 [Seanad] — An Dara Céim. Maritime Safety Bill 2004 [Seanad] — Second Stage.

Billí a thionscnamh: Initiation of Bills

Tíolactha: Presented:

a6. An Bille um Chomhaontú na Breataine-na hÉireann (Leasú) 2005 — Ordú don Dara Céim.

British-Irish Agreement (Amendment) Bill 2005 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille do leasú an Achta um Chomhaontú na Breataine-na hÉireann 1999 agus do ment Act 1999 and to provide for related dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill to amend the British-Irish Agreematters.

—An tAire Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta.

Fógraí Tairisceana: Notices of Motions

a10. "Go ndéanfar an togra go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann an dréacht-Ordú fán Acht um Choimisiún chun Drochúsáid Leanaí a Fhiosrú 2000 (Alt 5) (Tréimhse Shonraithe) 2005, ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 13 Aibreán, 2005, a tharchur chuig an gComhchoiste um Oideachas agus Eolaíocht, de réir mhír (2) d'Orduithe Tagartha an Choiste sin, agus go ndéanfaidh an Coiste sin, tráth nach déanaí ná an 19 Bealtaine, 2005, teachtaireacht a chur chuig an Dáil ar an modh a fhorordaítear i mBuan-Ordú 85, agus go

That the proposal that Dáil Éireann approve the draft Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (Section 5) (Specified Period) Order 2005 a copy of which was laid before Dáil Éireann on the 13th April, 2005, be referred to the Joint Committee on Education and Science, in accordance with paragraph (2) of the Orders of Reference of that Committee, which, not later than 19th May, 2005, shall send a message to the Dáil in the manner prescribed in Standing Order 85, and Standing Order 84(2) shall accordingly apply."

— Tomás Ó Ceit, Aire Stáit ag Roinn an Taoisigh.

14a. "Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann an dréacht-Ordú fán Acht um Choimisiún chun Drochúsáid Leanaí a Fhiosrú 2000 (Alt 5) (Tréimhse Shonraithe) 2005, ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 13 Aibreán, 2005.

mbeidh feidhm dá réir ag Buan-Ordú 84(2).

That Dáil Éireann approves the draft Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (Section 5) (Specified Period) Order 2005, a copy of which was laid before Dáil Éireann on the 13th April, 2005."

— An tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta.

## GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Tairiscint (atógáil) (1 ur. 30 n fágtha): Motion (resumed) (1 hrs. 30 m remaining):

#### 43. "That Dáil Eireann:

notes the following matters of grave and urgent concern:

- the latest statistics reveal that suicide now accounts for 50% more deaths annually than road accidents 444 last year as against 293;
- suicide is the most common cause of death among 15 24 year-olds in Ireland, and the highest in this age group of all 25 EU States;
- the suicide rate in Ireland is rising faster than in any other EU country, and the rate among young females doubled between 1992 and 2000;
- the highest rate of suicides over the past five years is among young men in the 20 29 age group;
- in 2003, 11,200 parasuicides, or attempted suicides, presented at hospital Accident and Emergency departments across the country;
- the correlation between suicide and factors such as unemployment, living in poverty, bullying, relationship break-ups, legal and work related problems, alcohol and drug abuse, physical or sexual abuse in childhood and social exclusion;
- student counselling services in third-level colleges across Ireland are stretched to capacity with lengthy waiting lists over the past two years despite having extra staff employed;
- the slashing of the mental health budget to 6.8% of the total health budget from its 1997 level of 11%, despite continuing to claim more lives annually; and
- there are only 20 in-patient beds with specialised services for adolescents with mental health problems, despite a Government-commissioned report recommending in 2000 that at least 120 such beds are needed;

#### calls on the Government to:

- immediately implement the 86 recommendations of the 1998 Report of the National Task Force on Suicide on ways to prevent and reduce the incidence of suicide or parasuicide;
- establish a National Suicide Prevention Agency to coordinate the services provided by various authorities throughout the country;
- provide a comprehensive programme of multi-disciplinary research and investment in suicide prevention strategies;
- improve awareness of suicide by ploughing extra resources into educational programmes and mental health services;
- address the problem in second-level schools by the inclusion of mental health and psychology in the curriculum;
- increase funding for student counselling services at both second and third levels, and diminish the aversion and stigma attached to seeking counselling, particularly among males; and
- develop an effective Strategic Action Plan for both the prevention and reduction of suicide as an urgent national priority." Paudge Connolly, Tony Gregory, Jerry Cowley, James Breen, Seamus Healy, Catherine Murphy, Finian McGrath, Paddy McHugh, Joe Higgins, Marian Harkin.
  [4 May, 2005]

Leasú (atógáil): Amendment (resumed):

1. To delete all words after "Dáil Éireann" and substitute the following:

"notes the many initiatives undertaken by Government and by health service providers since 1998 aimed at reducing the incidence of suicidal behaviour including, for example the:

- placement of liaison psychiatric nurses in Accident and Emergency Departments of General Hospitals;
- provision of training to relevant healthcare personnel in matters relating to suicidal behaviour;
- development, in each health service area, of a directory of services both statutory and voluntary which are available to those concerned about or at risk of suicide;
- introduction of restrictions in the availability of paracetamol which can be harmful in overdose;
- establishment of the National Suicide Review Group and the appointment of Suicide Resource Officers in each health service area;
- provision of additional funding for research into suicidal behaviour and the prevention of deliberate self-harm;

and welcomes the development of a National Strategy for Action on Suicide Prevention which will be published later this year." — An Tánaiste agus an tAire Sláinte agus Leanaí.

#### **MEMORANDA**

Déardaoin, 5 Bealtaine, 2005 Thursday, 5th May, 2005

## An Bille um Míchumas 2004:

## **Disability Bill 2004:**

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

# An Bille um Míchumas 2004: Disability Bill 2004:

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 11 a.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 11 a.m.

Cruinniú den Choiste um Chuntais Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 11 a.m. Meeting of the Committee of Public Accounts in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 11 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Oideachas agus Eolaíocht i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 11.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Education and Science in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 11.30 a.m.

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## Meastacháin (Sláinte agus Leanaí): Estimates (Health and Children):

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 12 meán lae.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Health and Children in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 12 noon.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí — Tuarascáil Travers i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 1.30 p.m. (*príobháideach*).

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Health and Children — Travers Report in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 1.30 p.m. (*private*).

## SCRÍBHINNÍ A LEAGADH FAOI BHRÁID NA DÁLA DOCUMENTS LAID BEFORE THE DÁIL

### Reachtúil:

- 1) Sraith Conarthaí Uimh. 1 de 2005. An Prótacal a ghabhann le Creat-Choinbhinsiún na Náisiún Aontaithe ar Athrú Aeráide. Rinneadh i Kyoto an 11 Nollaig, 1997. Síníodh thar ceann na hÉireann an 29 Aibreán, 1998. Taisceadh Ionstraim Dhaingniúcháin na hÉireann le hArd Rúnaí na Náisiún Aontaithe an 31 Bealtaine, 2002. Síníodh thar ceann an Chomhphobail Eorpaigh an 29 Aibreán, 1998. Taisceadh Ionstraim Cheadaithe an Chomhphobail Eorpaigh le hArd Rúnaí na Náisiún Aontaithe an 31 Bealtaine, 2002. Tháinig i bhfeidhm an 16 Feabhra, 2005.
- 2) Sraith Conarthaí Uimh. 4 de 2004. An Conradh Idirnáisiúnta maidir le hAcmhainní Géiniteacha Plandaí le haghaidh Bia agus Talmhaíochta. Ceadaíodh le Rún ón gComhdháil Eagraíochta Bia agus Talmhaíochta sa Róimh an 3 Samhain, 2001. Síníodh thar ceann na hÉireann an 6 Meitheamh, 2002. Taisceadh Ionstraim Dhaingniúcháin na hÉireann le hArd - Stiúrthóir na hEagraíochta Bia agus Talmhaíochta an 31 Márta, 2004. Tháinig i bhfeidhm maidir le hÉirinn an 29 Meitheamh, 2004. Síníodh thar ceann an Chomhphobail Eorpaigh an 6 Meitheamh, 2002. Taisceadh Ionstraim Cheadaithe ón gComhphobal Eorpach le hArd - Stiúrthóir na hEagraíochta Bia agus Talmhaíochta an 31 Márta, 2004. Tháinig i bhfeidhm maidir leis an gComhphobal Eorpach an 29 Meitheamh, 2004.
- 3) Sraith Conarthaí Uimh. 6 de 2004. An Coinbhinsiún chun Cosc a chur le Gníomhartha Neamhdhleathacha in aghaidh Shábháilteacht na Loingseoireachta Muirí. Rinneadh sa Róimh an 10 Márta, 1988. Taisceadh Ionstraim Aontachais na hÉireann le

#### Statutory:

- 1) Treaty Series No. 1 of 2005. Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Done at Kyoto on 11 December, 1997. Signed on behalf of Ireland on 29 April, 1998. Ireland's Instrument of Ratification deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on 31 May, 2002. Signed on behalf of the European Community on 29 April, 1998. European Community's Instrument of Approval deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on 31 May, 2002. Entered into force on 16 February, 2005.
- 2) Treaty Series No. 4 of 2004. International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. Approved by Resolution of the Food and Agriculture Organisation Conference at Rome on 3 November, 2001. Signed on behalf of Ireland on 6 June, 2002. Instrument Ireland's of Ratification deposited with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organisation on 31 March, 2004. Entered into force with respect to Ireland on 29 June, 2004. Signed on behalf of the European Community on 6 June, 2002. Instrument of Approval by the European Community deposited with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organisation on 31 March, 2004. Entered into force with respect to the European Community on 29 June, 2004.
- 3) Treaty Series No. 6 of 2004. Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation. Done at Rome on 10 March, 1988. Ireland's Instrument of Accession deposited with the Secretary-General of the International

- hArd-Rúnaí na hEagraíochta Muirí Idirnáisiúnta an 10 Meán Fómhair, 2004. Tháinig i bhfeidhm maidir le hÉirinn an 9 Nollaig, 2004
- 4) Sraith Conarthaí Uimh. 7 de 2004. An Prótacal chun Cosc a Chur le Gníomhartha Neamhdhleathacha in aghaidh Sábháilteachta Ardán Fosaidh atá Suite ar an Scairbh Ilchríochach. Rinneadh sa Róimh an 10 Márta, 1988. Taisceadh Ionstraim Aontachais na hÉireann le hArd-Rúnaí na hEagraíochta Muirí Idirnáisiúnta an 10 Meán Fómhair, 2004. Tháinig i bhfeidhm maidir le hÉirinn an 9 Nollaig, 2004.
- 5) Sraith Conarthaí Uimh. 8 de 2004. An Coinbhinsiún um Thírdhreach na hEorpa. Rinneadh i bhFlórans an 20 Deireadh Fómhair, 2000. Síníodh thar ceann na hÉireann, gan forchoimeádas maidir le Daingniú, an 22 Márta, 2002. Tháinig i bhfeidhm maidir le hÉirinn an 1 Márta, 2004.
- 6) Sraith Conarthaí Uimh. 9 de 2004. An Coinbhinsiún Dlí Choiriúil maidir le hÉilliú. Rinneadh i Strasbourg an 27 Eanáir, 1999. Síníodh thar ceann na hÉireann an 7 Bealtaine, 1999. Taisceadh Ionstraim Dhaingniúcháin na hÉireann le hArd-Rúnaí Chomhairle na hEorpa an 3 Deireadh Fómhair, 2003. Tháinig i bhfeidhm maidir le hÉirinn an 1 Feabhra, 2004.
- 7) Údarás Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí na hÉireann. Cuntais Bhliantúla, 2003.

- Maritime Organisation on 10 September, 2004. Entered into force with respect to Ireland on 9 December, 2004.
- 4) Treaty Series No. 7 of 2004. Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf. Done at Rome on 10 March, 1988. Ireland's Instrument of Accession deposited with the Secretary- General of the International Maritime Organisation on 10 September, 2004. Entered into force with respect to Ireland on 9 December, 2004
- 5) Treaty Series No. 8 of 2004. European Landscape Convention. Done at Florence on 20 October, 2000. Signed on behalf of Ireland, without reservation as to Ratification, on 22 March, 2002. Entered into force with respect to Ireland on 1 March, 2004.
- 6) Treaty Series No. 9 of 2004. Criminal Law Convention on Corruption. Done at Strasbourg on 27 January, 1999. Signed on behalf of Ireland on 7 May, 1999. Ireland's Instrument of Ratification deposited with the Secretary General of the Council of Europe on 3 October, 2003. Entered into force with respect to Ireland on 1 February, 2004.
- 7) National Qualifications Authority of Ireland. Annual Accounts, 2003.