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EUROPEAN UNION (SCRUTINY) ACT 2002**

**(FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2012 TO 31 DECEMBER 2012)**

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## Chairman's Foreword

On behalf of the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs, I am pleased to present the Tenth Annual Report on the operation of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002 for 2012 as required under section 5 of the Act.

The European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002 underpins the Irish system of EU scrutiny and enables the Houses of the Oireachtas, on behalf of the Irish people, to scrutinise draft EU legislative measures. It is an important function that brings democratic accountability to Government decisions taken at EU level.

Scrutiny and detailed consideration of EU documents and related matters is carried out by the relevant Oireachtas sectoral committees in a process referred to as “mainstreaming”. The committees assess and report on the implications for Ireland where new EU legislation is being proposed. Following the bedding-in of the mainstreaming system during 2011, the Joint Committee welcomes the increased level of EU scrutiny during 2012 as the sectoral committees have adapted to their new role. A number of Committees have also begun to examine non-legislative proposals from the European Commission, including Communications, which are increasingly used in the policy formulation process to stimulate debate and launch a process of consultation in advance of formal legislative proposals. As the scrutiny role of sectoral committees continues to evolve, the Joint Committee looks forward to increased engagement on these documents through ‘political dialogue’ with the European Commission thereby affording the opportunity to the Houses of the Oireachtas to shape the legislative programme of the Commission.

In 2012, there was increased engagement by Government Ministers with Committees in advance of Council meetings, in line with the commitment in the Programme for Government. Such meetings are valuable to both sides and the Joint Committee looks forward to an even greater frequency of such meetings across all sectors during the latter half of 2013. Because of the heavy schedules of Government Ministers during the Irish Presidency of the Council of the EU in the first half of 2013, some Committees took a conscious decision to minimise the engagement with Ministers because of that.

The Joint Committee also looks forward to greater engagement by committees in the timely scrutiny of the main inputs to the European Semester process for economic policy coordination - the Annual Growth Survey prepared by the European Commission, the National Reform Programme prepared by the Department of the Taoiseach, and the Stability Programme prepared by the Department of Finance. The Joint Committee considers that a coherent approach to Oireachtas involvement in the European Semester will be necessary in future years as it will be of central importance to Ireland's budgetary process upon exit from the economic adjustment programme.

The Joint Committee acknowledges the heavy workloads of sectoral committees and so it is particularly challenging for them to find sufficient time to carry out EU scrutiny activities. This underlines the need for greater prioritisation when selecting proposals for scrutiny. In last year's Annual Report, it was recommended that sectoral committees should identify on an annual basis those proposals, both legislative and non-legislative, from the European Commission's Annual Work Programme which they would subject to detailed scrutiny. In this regard, the Joint Committee notes the recent adoption by both Houses of the "EU Scrutiny Work Programme 2013 - Joint Committees' Priorities". Each of the sectoral committees identified its own priorities based on the European Commission's Annual Work Programme 2013 which fed into the aforementioned ER Scrutiny Work Programme. Such prioritisation by sectoral committees will facilitate the most efficient use of committee time and resources. This is the first such Oireachtas EU scrutiny work programme prepared following the above recommendation and annual work programmes will be produced for each year hereafter.

The Lisbon Treaty recognises the role of national parliaments in contributing actively to the good functioning of the European Union. In this context, the Joint Committee welcomes the recent adoption by Dáil Éireann of Standing Order 102A, which requires Dáil Éireann and its Select Committees to promote engagement in European Union affairs, through measures such as Europe Week and the consideration of EU proposals and initiatives, in order to foster greater public awareness of the role of the European Union. The Standing Order also requires the House to establish a Parliamentary Steering Group on EU Affairs to give parliamentary and cohesive direction in matters of European affairs in order to enhance the role of the Dáil in EU affairs through engagement with the Government and through Dáil Éireann and its Select Committees.

I wish to thank the Government Departments for their considerable assistance in the scrutiny process, and the staff of Oireachtas committees and the EU Coordination Unit for their efficient management of the documentation and the preparation of meetings. The Joint Committee considers that the effectiveness of the Oireachtas EU scrutiny system is heavily

dependent on the timely agreement between Government Departments on responsibility for a particular file, and on the subsequent submission of the required Information Note to the Oireachtas without delay.

I also wish to acknowledge the invaluable contribution and hard work of my colleagues on the Joint Committee and also of my colleagues on the sectoral committees in carrying out their important remit in the scrutiny of EU draft legislation. Their dedication, knowledge and experience are greatly valued. The Joint Committee looks forward to improved and more regular communication between the Joint Committee and the sectoral committees regarding their scrutiny activity.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dominic Hannigan', with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

*Dominic Hannigan T.D.*

*Chairman*

*July 2013*

## 1. Introduction

- 1) This is the Annual Report on the operation of the European Union Scrutiny Act 2002<sup>1</sup>. The 2002 Act lays down the legislative basis for Oireachtas scrutiny of draft EU legislative measures<sup>2</sup>.
- 2) Among the main provisions of the Act are:
  - *Information Notes* - the Government must forward an information note to the Oireachtas as soon as practicable after the publication of each proposed EU legislative measure. The note outlines the purpose, significance and implications of the new measure [s2(1)].
  - *Recommendations* – the Minister shall have regard to any recommendations by the Committee or the Houses on a proposed measure [s2(2)]
  - *Reports by the Government* – each Minister shall report at least twice yearly to the Oireachtas in relation to proposed measures and other EU developments within their remit [s2(5)]. The Government shall make an annual report to the Oireachtas on developments in the European Union [s4].
- 3) Section 5 of the 2002 Act specifically provides for a Committee to report annually to the Oireachtas on the operation of the 2002 Act. This report has been prepared accordingly by the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs in accordance with paragraph (6) of its Orders of Reference to look at how the EU scrutiny system operated in 2012. (See Appendix 1)
- 4) The Scrutiny process in the 30<sup>th</sup> Dáil was carried out by the Joint Committee on European Scrutiny but this was changed to a 'mainstreamed model' in the 31<sup>st</sup> Dáil, whereby each Sectoral Committee now considers European Union matters within the remit of the relevant Department(s) and engages with Ministers in the context of meetings of the Council of Ministers (Standing Order 82(A)).

## 2. Scrutiny Activity in 2013 - 31<sup>st</sup> Dáil / 24<sup>th</sup> Seanad

### Oireachtas oversight of EU measures and legislation in the 31<sup>st</sup> Dáil and 24<sup>th</sup> Seanad

- 1) The Committees in the new Dáil/Seanad were formed on the 8<sup>th</sup> June with membership assigned from 9<sup>th</sup> June 2011 (Dáil) and 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011 (Seanad). (See Appendix 2 for Orders of Reference and Membership of the Sectoral Committees)

<sup>1</sup> Previous reports were produced by the former Joint and Sub-Committee on European Scrutiny.

<sup>2</sup> The definition of "measure" in the 2002 Act was amended by section 6 of the European Union Act 2009.



- 2) The Orders of Reference of Sectoral Committees agreed by both Houses in June 2011 require Committees to consider and report on European Union matters within the remit of the relevant Department(s) and to engage with Ministers in the context of meetings of the Council of Ministers (Dáil Standing Order 82(A) / Seanad Standing Order 70A).
- 3) Consideration of EU matters are now a standing item on the agenda for each sectoral Committee meeting during which the Committee may consider all or some of the following issues:
- draft legislative measures within the Committee's remit. Each Committee will decide which proposals to scrutinise in depth e.g. by engaging with relevant stakeholders;
  - compliance of draft legislative acts with the principle of subsidiarity and related issues in support of the role of the Houses of the Oireachtas under Article 29.4 of the Constitution, section 7 of the European Union Act 2009 and Standing Orders relating to the role of the Houses under the Lisbon Treaty. If a breach of subsidiarity is found, the Committee will report to the Houses recommending the adoption of a reasoned opinion, and
  - major policy issues and consultation papers from the EU. Committees may decide to make a "contribution" to the relevant institution on particular issues of interest or concern.

Each Committee may also -

- invite the relevant Minister to attend in advance of relevant EU Council meetings to brief the Committee on the agenda and on the outcome of the previous Council meeting; and
  - meet with Secretaries General in relation to six monthly reports on measures, proposed measures and other developments in relation to the EU which are provided by each Minister under the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002.
- 4) The Joint Committee on European Union Affairs (pursuant to the EU Scrutiny Act 2002 and paragraph (6) of its Orders of Reference) is responsible for reporting on an annual basis on the operation of the Act to both Houses of the Oireachtas. The Report will typically contain statistics on the total number of proposals considered by Committees in the period under review and the number of proposals which warranted detailed scrutiny, the number of EU Scrutiny Reports laid before the Houses, 'Contributions' sent to the EU Institutions and reasoned opinions agreed in plenary. The Report will contain a qualitative assessment of the operation of the Act by the Oireachtas and its Committees and will make recommendations where necessary. It will also consider the compliance of Government Departments with the Act.

## Analysis of Proposals Considered

### Information Notes submitted by Departments

- 5) In the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012 a total of 505 Information Notes were submitted by 16 Government Department's/Office's broken down as follows:

Department/Office	No. Information Notes submitted
Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation	101
Foreign Affairs and Trade	90
Agriculture, Food and the Marine	74
Finance	65
Justice and Equality	35
Education and Skills	33
Transport, Tourism and Sport	27
Environment, Community and Local Government	20
Public Expenditure and Reform	13
Office of the Revenue Commissioners	12
Health	8
Communications, Energy and Natural Resources	8
Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht	8
Social Protection	6
Central Statistics Office	4
Taoiseach	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>505</b>

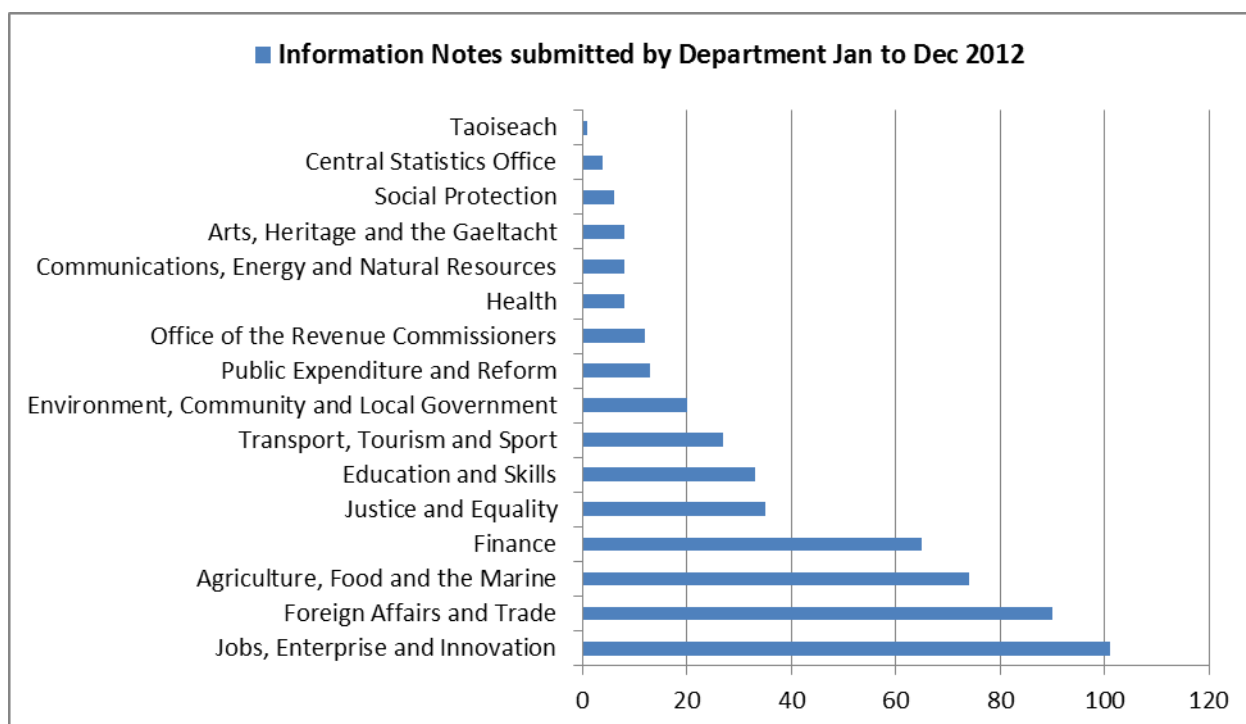


Fig 1: 2012 (31<sup>st</sup> Dáil/24<sup>th</sup> Seanad) Information Notes submitted by Department

### Proposals considered by Sectoral Committees (See Appendix 3)

6) The Joint Committees met and considered 537 proposals as follows:

Joint Committee	No. Proposals Considered
Communications, Natural Resources and Agriculture*	50
Environment, Transport, Culture and the Gaeltacht*	42
Agriculture, Food and Marine **	49
Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht**	8
Transport and Communications**	12
Jobs, Social Protection and Education*	54
Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation**	63
Education and Social Protection**	25
Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform	99
Foreign Affairs and Trade	84
Health and Children	15
Justice, Defence and Equality	36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>537</b>

\*Operational from Jan to 18 June 2012

\*\*Operational from 19 June 2012 onwards

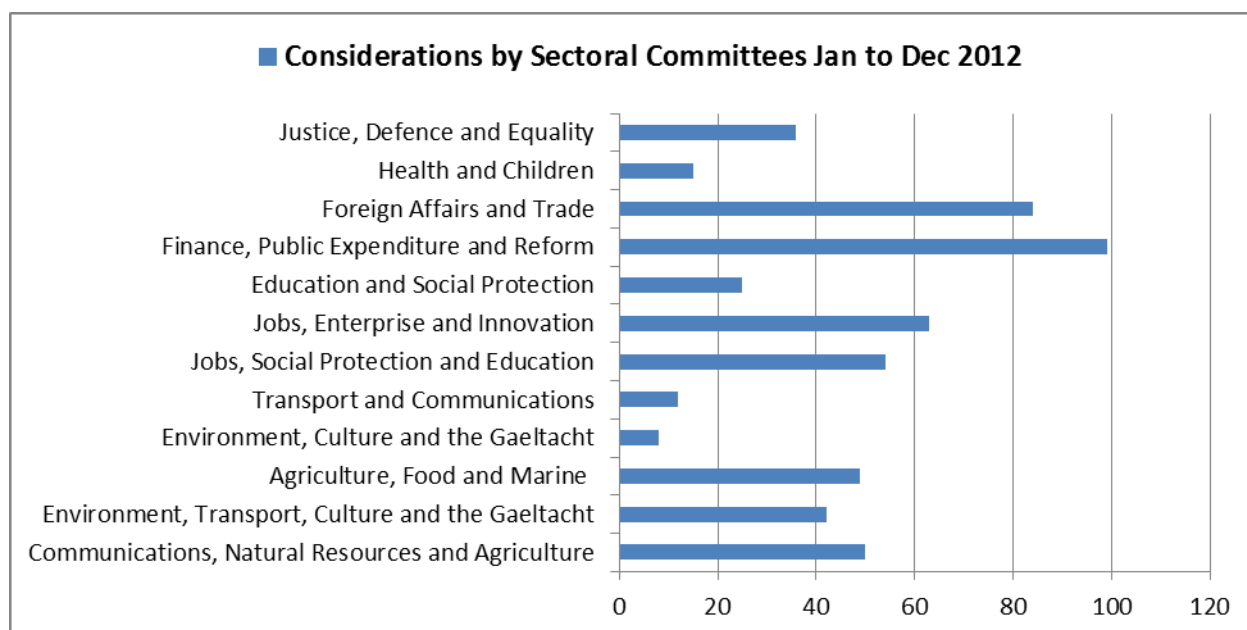


Fig 2: 2012 (31st Dáil/24<sup>th</sup> Seanad) Considerations by Sectoral Committees

### Proposals considered by type

- 7) These were made up of Regulations (212), Decisions (213), Directives (52), CFSP Measures (6) Budget Documents (10), Green Papers (8) and Early Warning Notes (24), Title V Justice (2), Joint Action (8), White Paper (1), Non Legislative Framework (NLF - 1).

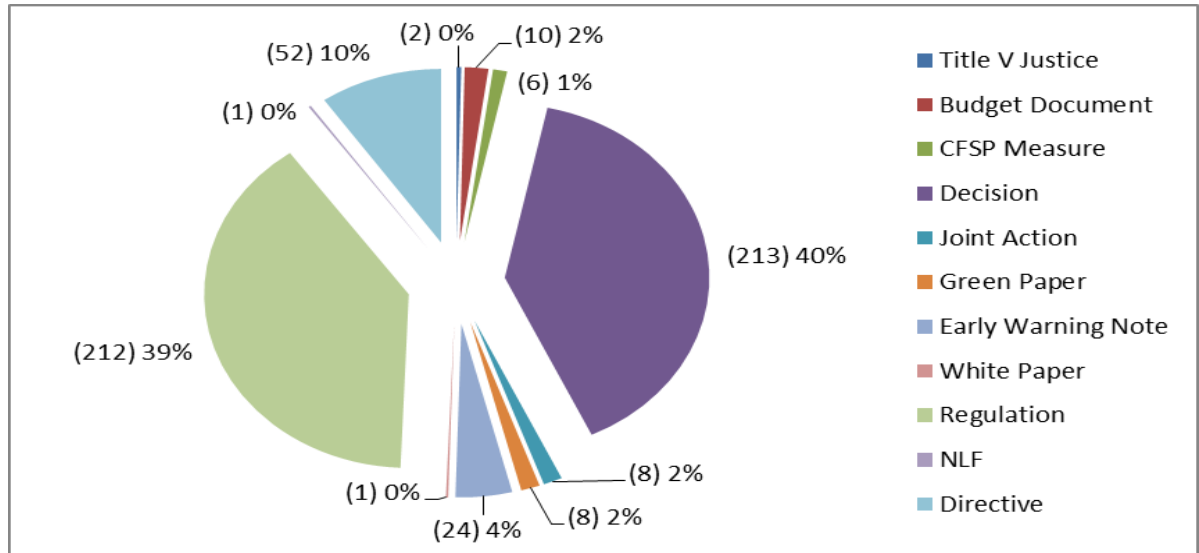


Fig 3: 2012 (31st Dáil/24<sup>th</sup> Seanad) Proposals considered by Type

### Decisions by Sectoral Committees

- 8) Of the 537 proposals considered - 16% were identified as adopted measures at time of meeting, 66% required no further action or detailed scrutiny, 5% required no Further Scrutiny - Further Action and the remaining 13% identified as requiring Further Scrutiny.

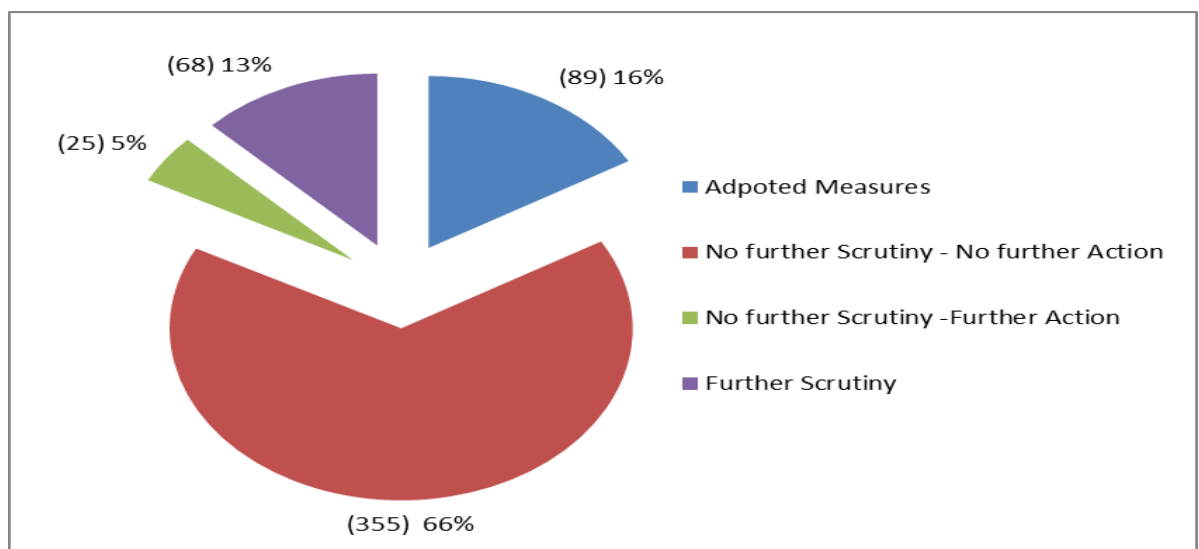


Fig 4: 2012 (31st Dáil/24<sup>th</sup> Seanad) Decisions made by Category

See Appendix 4 for detail of proposals considered for further action or scrutiny by the Sectoral Committees.

## Reports Adopted

- 9) The Sectoral Committees published Scrutiny Reports and submitted Political Contributions in the period Jan to December 2012 as detailed below.

Joint Committee	Report/Contribution Title/Link
Communications, Natural Resources and Agriculture (3)	<p><u>EU Scrutiny Report</u> - COM(2011)425 Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Common Fisheries Policy - 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012 Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p> <p><u>EU Scrutiny Report</u> - COM(2011)370 Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on energy efficiency and repealing Directives 2004/8/EC and 2006/32/EC - March 2012 Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p> <p><u>EU Contribution</u> - COM(2012)625 - 629 Contribution on the Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy, 2014-2020 - June 2012 Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p>
Agriculture, Food and the Marine	<p><u>EU Contribution</u> - COM(2011)625 Contribution on the Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy [CAP] - December 2012 Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p>
Environment, Transport, Culture and the Gaeltacht (1)	<p><u>EU Scrutiny Report</u> - COM(2011)650 Report on the Joint Committee's Contribution to the European Commission on its Proposal for a Regulation on Union guidelines for the development of the Trans-European Transport Network Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p>
The Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform (1)	<p><u>EU Scrutiny Report</u> - COM(2011)452 &amp; COM(2011)453 CRD IV Legislation on prudential capital banking requirements under Basel II - 14 February 2012 Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p>
Jobs, Social Protection and Education (2)	<p><u>EU Scrutiny Report &amp; Contribution</u> - COM(2011)834 Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and small and medium sized enterprises (2014-2020) and</p>

	<p>Contribution to the European Commission and the European Parliament - April 2012</p> <p>Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p> <p><u>EU Scrutiny Report</u> - COM(2012)130 &amp; 131 COM(2012) 130 Proposal for a Council Regulation on the exercise of the right to take right to collective action within the context of the freedom of establishment and the freedom to provide services, and COM(2012) 131 Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the enforcement of Directive 96/71/EC concerning the posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services - June 2012</p> <p>Click <a href="#">here</a> for a link to the report</p>
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## Other EU Matters before the Sectoral Committees

### Pre-Council meetings with Ministers

10) In the period January to December 2012, a total of 28 pre-Council meetings with 13 Ministers were held by 11 Joint Committees as follows:

Joint Committee	Minister/MoS	Date of meeting/s Jan-Dec 2012
Agriculture, Food & the Marine (effective from 19 June 2012)	(1) Minister for Agriculture, Food & the Marine, Simon Coveney (2) Minister for Agriculture, Food & the Marine, Simon Coveney	19/07/12  06/12/12
Environment, Transport, Culture and the Gaeltacht (effective from 1 Jan-18 June 2013)	(1) Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport, Leo Varadkar (2) Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, Jimmy Deenihan, (3) Minister of State, Michael Ring (4) Minister for Environment, Community & Local Government, Phil Hogan	21/03/12  09/05/12 09/05/12 06/06/12
----- Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht (effective 19 June-31 Dec 12)	----- (1) Minister for Environment, Phil Hogan	  13/12/12

European Union Affairs	(1) Minister of State, Lucinda Creighton (2) Minister of State, Lucinda Creighton (3) Minister of State, Lucinda Creighton (4) Minister of State, Lucinda Creighton (5) Minister of State, Lucinda Creighton (6) Tanaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Eamonn Gilmore (7) Tanaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Eamonn Gilmore	26/01/12 23/02/12 22/03/12 24/05/12 26/06/12 19/09/12 13/11/12
Finance, Public Expenditure & Reform	(1) Minister for Finance, Michael Noonan (2) Minister for Finance, Michael Noonan	19/06/12 08/11/12
Foreign Affairs & Trade	(1) Tanaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Eamonn Gilmore (2) Tanaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Eamonn Gilmore (3) Tanaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Eamonn Gilmore	07/03/12 18/07/12 21/11/12
Health and Children	(1) Minister for Health, James Reilly (2) Minister for Health, James Reilly	14/06/12 20/11/12
Jobs, Social Protection and Education (effective from 1 Jan-18 June 2012) ----- Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation (effective from 19 June-31 Dec 2012) ----- Education and Social Protection (effective from 19 June-31 Dec 2012)	(1) Minister for Education, Ruairi Quinn (2) Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation, Richard Bruton ----- (1) Minister of State, Séan Sherlock (2) Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation, Richard Bruton ----- (1) Minister for Social Protection, Joan Burton (2) Minister for Education, Ruairi Quinn	02/05/12 13/06/12 02/10/12 04/12/12 26/09/12 14/11/12
Justice, Defence and Equality	Minister for Justice, Defence and Equality, Alan Shatter	27/11/12

## Six-Monthly Reports on developments in the EU

11) Under the 2002 Act six monthly reports are submitted by all Government Departments on proposed EU measures and other developments within their remit. The reports are in two parts as follows:

- *Part 1* gives an overview of the significant developments at EU level in that Minister's policy area during the EU Presidency concerned, and
- *Part 2* gives an update on the current status of all of the EU legislative measures being negotiated within the remit of that Minister.

In 2012, a total of 11 of the 16 Government Departments submitted Six-Monthly Reports on developments in the EU, however due to time pressures on Departments as a result of the Irish Presidency of the European Union, only three Secretary Generals attended meetings to discuss their Departments report with the relevant sectoral committees.

Joint Committee	Minister/MoS	Date of meeting
Communications, Natural Resources and Agriculture	Secretary General, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine	17/05/2012
Environment, Transport, Culture and the Gaeltacht	Secretary General, Department of Environment, Community and Local Government	01/05/2012
	Secretary General, Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport	01/05/2012



## Appendix 1

### Orders of Reference of the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs

#### *Dáil Éireann on 8 June 2011 ordered:*

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| <p>“(1) Go gceapfar Roghchoiste, dá ngairfear an Roghchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, ar a mbeidh 9 gcomhalta de Dháil Éireann, chun breithniú a dhéanamh ar cibé nithe a éiríonn—</p> <p>(a) as ballraíocht na hÉireann san Aontas Eorpach agus</p> <p>(b) as Éirinn do chloí leis an gConradh ar an Aontas Eorpach agus leis an gConradh ar Fheidhmiú an Aontais Eorpaigh</p> <p>a roghnóidh sé agus nach bhfuil tarchurtha chuig aon Choiste eile.</p> <p>(2) Gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (1), breithneoidh an Coiste—</p> <p>(a) cibé Billí a bpléann an Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála leis an dlí reachtach ina leith,</p> <p>(b) cibé tograí a bheidh in aon tairiscint, lena n-áirítear aon tairiscint de réir bhrí Bhuan-Ordú 164, agus</p> <p>(c) cibé nithe eile,</p> <p>a tharchuirfidh an Dáil chuige.</p> <p>(3) Beidh an tAire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála (nó comhalta den Rialtas nó Aire Stáit a ainmneofar chun gníomhú ina áit nó ina háit chun na críche sin), ina chomhalta nó ina comhalta ex officio den Roghchoiste chun na nithe atá leagtha amach i mír (2)(a) agus (b) a bhreithniú agus beidh sé nó sí i dteideal vótáil in imeachtaí an Roghchoiste.</p> <p>(4) Beidh ag an gCoiste na cumhachtaí a mhínítear i mBuan-Ordú 83(1), (2) agus (3).</p> <p>(5) Déanfar an Roghchoiste a chomhcheangal le Roghchoiste arna cheapadh ag Seanad Éireann chun bheith ina Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, agus, gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (1), déanfaidh an Roghchoiste an méid seo a leanas a bhreithniú—</p> <p>(a) doiciméid phleanála straitéiseacha Choimisiún AE lena n-áirítear Clár Oibre</p> | <p>(1) That a Select Committee, which shall be called the Select Committee on European Union Affairs, consisting of nine members of Dáil Éireann, be appointed to consider such matters arising from—</p> <p>(a) Ireland’s membership of the European Union, and</p> <p>(b) Ireland’s adherence to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,</p> <p>as it may select and which are not referred to any other Committee.</p> <p>(2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Select Committee shall consider such—</p> <p>(a) Bills the statute law in respect of which is dealt with by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade,</p> <p>(b) proposals contained in any motion, including any motion within the meaning of Standing Order 164, and</p> <p>(c) other matters,</p> <p>as shall be referred to it by the Dáil.</p> <p>(3) The Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade (or a member of the Government or Minister of State nominated to act in his or her stead for that purpose) shall be an ex officio member of the Select Committee for the purpose of consideration of the matters outlined at paragraph (2)(a) and (b) and shall be entitled to vote in Select Committee proceedings.</p> <p>(4) The Select Committee shall have the powers defined in Standing Order 83(1), (2) and (3).</p> <p>(5) The Select Committee shall be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann, to form the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs, which, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), shall consider—</p> <p>(a) the EU Commission’s strategic planning documents including the Commission</p> |
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an Choimisiúin,	Work Programme,
(b) forbairtí beartais tras-earnála ag leibhéal an Aontais Eorpaigh,	(b) cross-sectoral policy developments at European Union level,
(c) nithe a liostaítear lena mbreithniú ar an gclár gnó i gcomhair cruinnithe de Chomhairle Gnóthaí Ginearálta na nAíró agus toradh cruinnithe den sórt sin.	(c) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the General Affairs Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings,
(d) cibé rialacháin faoi Achtanna na gComhphobal Eorpach, 1972 go 2009 agus ionstraimí eile arna ndéanamh faoi reacht agus is gá de dhroim na n-oibleagáidí a ghabhann le ballraíocht san Aontas Eorpach a roghnóidh an Coiste,	(d) such regulations under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009 and other instruments made under statute and necessitated by the obligations of membership of the European Union as the Committee may select,
(e) fógraí arna dtarchur ag an Dáil faoi Bhuan-Ordú 106(1)(a),	(e) notifications referred by the Dáil under Standing Order 106(1)(a),
(f) fógraí i dtaobh tograí chun na Conarthaí a leasú a fuarthas ón gComhairle Eorpach de bhun Airteagal 48.2 den Chonradh ar an Aontas Eorpach,	(f) notifications of proposals for the amendment of the Treaties received from the European Council pursuant to Article 48.2 of the Treaty on European Union,
(g) fógraí i dtaobh iarratas ar bhallraíocht san Aontas Eorpach a fuarthas ón gComhairle Eorpach de bhun Airteagal 49 den Chonradh ar an Aontas Eorpach, agus	(g) notifications of applications for membership of the European Union received from the European Council pursuant to Article 49 of the Treaty on European Union, and
(h) cibé nithe eile a tharchuirfidh an Dáil chuige ó am go ham.	(h) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Dáil from time to time.
(6) Tabharfaidh an Comhchoiste tuarascáil do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ar oibriú Acht an Aontais Eorpaigh (Grinnscrúdú), 2002.	(6) The Joint Committee shall report to both Houses of the Oireachtas on the operation of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002.
(7) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste na cumhachtaí a mhínítear i mBuan-Ordúithe 83 (seachas mír (2A) den chéanna), 106(1)(a) agus 107.	(7) The Joint Committee shall have the powers defined in Standing Orders 83 (other than paragraph (2A) thereof), 105, 106(1)(a) and 107.
(8) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste an chumhacht chun moltaí a dhéanamh chun an Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála (nó chun Aire Stáit) i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an Aontas Eorpach.	(8) The Joint Committee shall have the power to make recommendations to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade (or Minister of State) on European Union matters.
(9) Féadfaidh na daoine seo a leanas freastal ar chruinnithe den Chomhchoiste agus páirt a ghlacadh in imeachtaí gan ceart vótála a bheith acu ná ceart tairiscintí a dhéanamh ná leasuithe a thairiscint:	(9) The following may attend meetings of the Joint Committee and take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:
(a) Comhaltaí de Pharlaimint na hEorpa arna dtoghadh ó thoghcheantair in Éirinn, lena n-áirítear Tuaisceart Éireann,	(a) Members of the European Parliament elected from constituencies in Ireland, including Northern Ireland,
(b) Comhaltaí de thoscaireacht na hÉireann chuig Tionól Parlaiminteach Chomhairle	(b) Members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council

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| na hEorpa, agus   | of Europe, and  |
| (c) ar chuireadh a fháil ón gCoiste, Comhaltaí eile de Pharlaimint na hEorpa.   | (c) at the invitation of the Committee, other Members of the European Parliament.   |
| (10) Déanfaidh an Comhchoiste ionadaíocht do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ag Comhdháil na gCoistí um Ghnóthaí Comhphobail agus Eorpacha de chuid Pharlaimintí an Aontais Eorpaigh (COSAC) agus tabharfaidh sé tuarascáil ar an gcéanna do dhá Theach an Oireachtais. | (10) The Joint Committee shall represent both Houses of the Oireachtas at the Conference of Community and European Affairs Committees of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC) and shall report to both Houses of the Oireachtas thereon. |
| (11) Beidh Cathaoirleach an Roghchoiste, ar comhalta de Dháil Éireann a bheidh ann nó inti, ina Chathaoirleach nó ina Cathaoirleach ar an gComhchoiste freisin.   | (11) The Chairman of the Joint Committee, who shall be a member of Dáil Éireann, shall also be Chairman of the Select Committee.”   |

**Seanad Éireann on 16 June 2011 ordered:**

- “(1) Go gceapfar Roghchoiste, dá ngairfear an Roghchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, ar a mbeidh 5 chomhalta de Sheanad Éireann, chun breithniú a dhéanamh ar cibé nithe a éiríonn—
- (a) as ballraíocht na hÉireann san Aontas Eorpach agus
- (b) as Éirinn do chloí leis an gConradh ar an Aontas Eorpach agus leis an gConradh ar Fheidhmiú an Aontais Eorpaigh
- a roghnóidh sé agus nach bhfuil tarchurtha chuig aon Choiste eile.
- (2) Déanfar an Roghchoiste a chomhcheangal le Roghchoiste arna cheapadh ag Dáil Éireann chun bheith ina Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, agus, gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (1), déanfaidh an Comhchoiste an méid seo a leanas a bhreithniú—
- (a) doiciméid phleanála straitéiseacha Choimisiún AE lena n-áirítear Clár Oibre an Choimisiúin,
- (b) forbairtí beartais tras-earnála ag leibhéal an Aontais Eorpaigh,
- (c) nithe a liostaítear lena mbreithniú ar an gclár gnó i gcomhair cruinnithe de Chomhairle Gnóthaí Ginearálta na nAí agus toradh cruinnithe den sórt sin.
- (d) cibé rialacháin faoi Achtanna na gComhphobal Eorpach, 1972 go 2009 agus ionstraimí eile arna ndéanamh faoi reacht agus is gá de dhroim na n-oibleagáidí a ghabhann le ballraíocht san Aontas Eorpach a roghnóidh an Coiste,
- (e) fógraí arna dtarchur ag an Seanad faoi Bhuan-Ordú 102(1)(a),
- (f) fógraí i dtaobh tograí chun na Conarthaí a leasú a fuarthas ón gComhairle Eorpach de bhun Airteagal 48.2 den Chonradh ar an Aontas Eorpach,
- (g) fógraí i dtaobh iarratas ar bhallraíocht san Aontas Eorpach a fuarthas ón gComhairle Eorpach de bhun Airteagal 49 den Chonradh ar an Aontas Eorpach, agus
- (h) cibé nithe eile a tharchuirfidh an Seanad chuige ó am go ham.
- (1) That a Select Committee, which shall be called the Select Committee on European Union Affairs, consisting of 5 members of Seanad Éireann, be appointed to consider such matters arising from—
- (a) Ireland’s membership of the European Union, and
- (b) Ireland’s adherence to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- as it may select and which are not referred to any other Committee.
- (2) The Select Committee shall be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Dáil Éireann, to form the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs, which, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), shall consider—
- (a) the EU Commission’s strategic planning documents including the Commission Work Programme,
- (b) cross-sectoral policy developments at European Union level,
- (c) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the General Affairs Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings,
- such regulations under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009 and other instruments made under statute and necessitated by the obligations of membership of the European Union as the Committee may select,
- (d) notifications referred by the Seanad under Standing Order 102 (1)(a),
- (f) notifications of proposals for the amendment of the Treaties received from the European Council pursuant to Article 48.2 of the Treaty on European Union,
- (g) notifications of applications for membership of the European Union received from the European Council pursuant to Article 49 of the Treaty on European Union, and
- (h) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Seanad from time to time.

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| <p>(3) Tabharfaidh an Comhchoiste tuarascáil do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ar oibriú Acht an Aontais Eorpaigh (Grinnscrúdú), 2002.</p> <p>(4) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste na cumhachtaí a mhínítear i mBuan-Orduithe 71 (seachas mír (2A) den chéanna), 101, 102(1)(a) agus 103.</p> <p>(5) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste an chumhacht chun moltaí a dhéanamh chun an Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála (nó chun Aire Stáit) i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an Aontas Eorpach.</p> <p>(6) Féadfaidh na daoine seo a leanas freastal ar chruinnithe den Chomhchoiste agus páirt a ghlacadh in imeachtaí gan ceart vótála a bheith acu ná ceart tairiscintí a dhéanamh ná leasuithe a thairiscint:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(a) Comhaltaí de Pharlaimint na hEorpa arna dtoghadh ó thoghlaigh in Éirinn, lena n-áirítear Tuaisceart Éireann,</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(b) Comhaltaí de thoscaireacht na hÉireann chuig Tionól Parlaiminteach Chomhairle na hEorpa, agus</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(c) ar chuireadh a fháil ón gCoiste, Comhaltaí eile de Pharlaimint na hEorpa.</p> <p>(7) Déanfaidh an Comhchoiste ionadaíocht do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ag Comhdháil na gCoistí um Ghnóthaí Comhphobail agus Eorpacha de chuid Parlaimintí an Aontais Eorpaigh (COSAC) agus tabharfaidh sé tuarascáil ar an gcéanna do dhá Theach an Oireachtais.</p> <p>(8) Beidh Cathaoirleach an Chomhchoiste ina chomhalta nó ina comhalta de Dháil Éireann.</p> | <p>(3) The Joint Committee shall report to both Houses of the Oireachtas on the operation of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002.</p> <p>(4) The Joint Committee shall have the powers defined in Standing Orders 71 (other than paragraph (2A) thereof), 101, 102(1)(a) and 103.</p> <p>(5) The Joint Committee shall have the power to make recommendations to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade (or Minister of State) on European Union matters.</p> <p>(6) The following may attend meetings of the Joint Committee and take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(a) Members of the European Parliament elected from constituencies in Ireland, including Northern Ireland,</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(b) Members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(c) at the invitation of the Committee, other Members of the European Parliament.</p> <p>(7) The Joint Committee shall represent both Houses of the Oireachtas at the Conference of Community and European Affairs Committees of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC) and shall report to both Houses of the Oireachtas thereon.</p> <p>(8) The Chairman of the Joint Committee shall be a member of Dáil Éireann.</p> |
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## **LIST OF MEMBERS (JOINT COMMITTEE ON EUROPEAN UNION AFFAIRS)**

<u>Chairman:</u>	Dominic Hannigan (Lab)
<u>Deputies:</u>	Eric Byrne (Lab)
	Seán Crowe (SF)
	Pascal Donohoe (FG) (Vice Chairman)
	Timmy Dooley (FF)
	Bernard Durkan (FG)
	John Halligan (Ind)
	Seán Kyne (FG)
	Joe O'Reilly (FG)
<u>Senators:</u>	Colm Burke (FG)
	Fidelma Healy Eames (FG)
	James Heffernan (Lab)
	Terry Leyden (FF)
	Kathryn Reilly (SF)

### Notes:

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 9 June 2011
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 16 June 2011
3. Deputy Joe Costello elected as Chairman on 23 June 2011
4. Deputy Pascal Donohoe elected as Vice Chairperson on 23 June 2011
5. Deputy Joe Costello resigned from the position of Chairman of the Committee and was discharged from the Committee on 26 January 2012
6. Deputy Dominic Hannigan replaced Deputy Joe Costello by Order of the Dáil on 26 January 2012
7. Deputy Dominic Hannigan elected as Chairman on 26 January 2012
8. Deputy John Halligan replaced Deputy Mick Wallace by Order of the Dáil on 27 June 2012
9. Deputy Seán Crowe replaced Deputy Pádraig MacLochlainn by Order of the Dáil on 25 September 2012
10. Deputy Eric Byrne replaced Deputy Colm Keaveney by Order of the Dáil on 17 January 2013

## Appendix 2

### Orders of Reference and Membership of the Sectoral Committees (31<sup>st</sup> Dáil/24<sup>th</sup> Seanad)

#### TERMS OF REFERENCE

##### a. Functions of the Committee - derived from Standing Orders [DSO 82A; SSO 70A]

- (1) The Select Committee shall consider and report to the Dáil on—
  - (a) such aspects of the expenditure, administration and policy of the relevant Government Department or Departments and associated public bodies as the Committee may select, and
  - (b) European Union matters within the remit of the relevant Department or Departments.
- (2) The Select Committee may be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann to form a Joint Committee for the purposes of the functions set out below, other than at paragraph (3), and to report thereon to both Houses of the Oireachtas.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Select Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments, such—
  - (a) Bills,
  - (b) proposals contained in any motion, including any motion within the meaning of Standing Order 164,
  - (c) Estimates for Public Services, and
  - (d) other mattersas shall be referred to the Select Committee by the Dáil, and
  - (e) Annual Output Statements, and
  - (f) such Value for Money and Policy Reviews as the Select Committee may select.
- (4) The Joint Committee may consider the following matters in respect of the relevant Department or Departments and associated public bodies, and report thereon to both Houses of the Oireachtas:
  - (a) matters of policy for which the Minister is officially responsible,
  - (b) public affairs administered by the Department,
  - (c) policy issues arising from Value for Money and Policy Reviews conducted or commissioned by the Department,

- (d) Government policy in respect of bodies under the aegis of the Department,
  - (e) policy issues concerning bodies which are partly or wholly funded by the State or which are established or appointed by a member of the Government or the Oireachtas,
  - (f) the general scheme or draft heads of any Bill published by the Minister,
  - (g) statutory instruments, including those laid or laid in draft before either House or both Houses and those made under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009,
  - (h) strategy statements laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas pursuant to the Public Service Management Act 1997,
  - (i) annual reports or annual reports and accounts, required by law, and laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas, of the Department or bodies referred to in paragraph (4)(d) and (e) and the overall operational results, statements of strategy and corporate plans of such bodies, and
  - (j) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Dáil and/or Seanad from time to time.
- (5) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Joint Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments—
- (a) EU draft legislative acts standing referred to the Select Committee under Standing Order 105, including the compliance of such acts with the principle of subsidiarity,
  - (b) other proposals for EU legislation and related policy issues, including programmes and guidelines prepared by the European Commission as a basis of possible legislative action,
  - (c) non-legislative documents published by any EU institution in relation to EU policy matters, and
  - (d) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the relevant EU Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings.
- (6) A sub-Committee stands established in respect of each Department within the remit of the Select Committee to consider the matters outlined in paragraph (3), and the following arrangements apply to such sub-Committees:
- (a) the matters outlined in paragraph (3) which require referral to the Select Committee by the Dáil may be referred directly to such sub-Committees, and
  - (b) each such sub-Committee has the powers defined in Standing Order 83(1) and (2) and may report directly to the Dáil, including by way of Message under Standing Order 87.
- (7) The Chairman of the Joint Committee, who shall be a member of Dáil Éireann, shall also be the Chairman of the Select Committee and of any sub-Committee or Committees standing established in respect of the Select Committee.
- (8) The following may attend meetings of the Select or Joint Committee, for the purposes of the functions set out in paragraph (5) and may take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:
- (a) Members of the European Parliament elected from constituencies in Ireland, including Northern Ireland,



- (b) Members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and
- (c) at the invitation of the Committee, other Members of the European Parliament.

**b. Scope and Context of Activities of Committees (as derived from Standing Orders [DSO 82; SSO 70])**

- (1) The Joint Committee may only consider such matters, engage in such activities, exercise such powers and discharge such functions as are specifically authorised under its orders of reference and under Standing Orders.
- (2) Such matters, activities, powers and functions shall be relevant to, and shall arise only in the context of, the preparation of a report to the Dáil and/or Seanad.
- (3) It shall be an instruction to all Select Committees to which Bills are referred that they shall ensure that not more than two Select Committees shall meet to consider a Bill on any given day, unless the Dáil, after due notice given by the Chairman of the Select Committee, waives this instruction on motion made by the Taoiseach pursuant to Dáil Standing Order 26. The Chairmen of Select Committees shall have responsibility for compliance with this instruction.
- (4) The Joint Committee shall not consider any matter which is being considered, or of which notice has been given of a proposal to consider, by the Committee of Public Accounts pursuant to Dáil Standing Order 163 and/or the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act 1993.
- (5) The Joint Committee shall refrain from inquiring into in public session or publishing confidential information regarding any matter if so requested, for stated reasons given in writing, by—
  - (a) a member of the Government or a Minister of State, or
  - (b) the principal office-holder of a body under the aegis of a Department or which is partly or wholly funded by the State or established or appointed by a member of the Government or by the Oireachtas:

Provided that the Chairman may appeal any such request made to the Ceann Comhairle / Cathaoirleach whose decision shall be final.

## Orders of Reference and Membership of the Sectoral Committees (31<sup>st</sup> Dáil/24<sup>th</sup> Seanad) from 19<sup>th</sup> June 2012

Go ndéantar, le héifeacht ó Dé Máirt, 19 Meitheamh 2012 –

That, with effect from Tuesday, 19th June, 2012 –

(1) Ordú an 8 Meitheamh 2011, ón Dáil, arna leasú le hOrdú an 5 Iúil 2011, ón Dáil, i ndáil le seacht Roghchoiste a bhunú mar atá leagtha amach i gcolún (1) den Sceideal a ghabhann leis an Ordú sin, a leasú tríd an Sceideal sin a scriosadh agus an méid seo a leanas a chur ina ionad:

(1) the Order of the Dáil of 8th June, 2011, as amended by the Order of the Dáil of 5th July, 2011, in relation to the establishment of seven Select Committees as set out in column (1) of the Schedule to that Order, be amended by the deletion of the said Schedule and the substitution of the following:

<b><u>AN SCEIDEAL</u></b>				
<b>(1) An Coiste</b>		<b>(2) An Roinn/Na Ranna</b>		<b>(3) An líon comhaltaí</b>
1	An Roghchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádáil	·	Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádáil	9
2	An Roghchoiste um Airgeadas, Caiteachas Poiblí agus Athchóiriú	·	Airgeadas	21
		·	Caiteachas Poiblí agus Athchóiriú	
		·	Taoiseach	
3	An Roghchoiste um Poist, Fiontair agus Nuálaíocht	·	Poist, Fiontair agus Nuálaíocht	9
4	An Roghchoiste um Chomhshaol, Cultúr agus Gaeltacht	·	Comhshaol, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil	15
		·	Ealaíona, Oidhreacht agus Gaeltacht	

5	An Roghchoiste um Thalmhaíocht, Bia agus Muir	·	Talmhaíocht, Bia agus Muir	9
6	An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Cosaint agus Comhionannas	·	Dlí agus Ceart, agus Comhionannas	9
		·	Cosaint	
7	An Roghchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí	·	Sláinte	15
		·	Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige	
8	An Roghchoiste um Oideachas agus Coimirce Shóisialach	·	Oideachas agus Scileanna	15
		·	Coimirce Shóisialach	
9	An Roghchoiste um Iompar agus Cumarsáid	·	Iompar, Turasóireacht agus Spórt	15
		·	Cumarsáid, Fuinneamh agus Acmhainní Nádurtha	

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<b>SCHEDULE</b>				
<b>(1) Committee</b>		<b>(2) Department/s</b>		<b>(3) Number of members</b>
1	Select Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade	·	Foreign Affairs and Trade	9

2	Select Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform	·	Finance	21
		·	Public Expenditure and Reform	
		·	Taoiseach	
3	Select Committee on Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation	·	Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation	9
4	Select Committee on Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht	·	Environment, Community and Local Government	15
		·	Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht	
5	Select Committee on Agriculture, Food and the Marine	·	Agriculture, Food and the Marine	9
6	Select Committee on Justice, Defence and Equality	·	Justice and Equality	9
		·	Defence	
7	Select Committee on Health and Children	·	Health	15
		·	Children and Youth Affairs	
8	Select Committee on Education and Social Protection	·	Education and Skills	15
		·	Social Protection	
9	Select Committee on Transport and Communications	·	Transport, Tourism and Sport	15
		·	Communications, Energy and Natural Resources	

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- (2) páipéir an Choiste nó na gCoistí i gcolún (3) den Sceideal a ghabhann leis an mír seo, a mhéid a bhaineann na páipéir sin leis an Roinn nó leis na Ranna atá liostaithe i gcolún (2), a tharchur chuig na Coistí i gcolún (1):

- (2) that the papers of the Committee or Committees at column (3) of the Schedule to this paragraph, insofar as those papers relate to the Department or Departments listed at column (2), be referred to the Committees at column (1):

<b><u>AN SCEIDEAL</u></b>					
<b>(1)</b> <b>An Coiste Nua</b>		<b>(2)</b> <b>An Roinn/Na Ranna</b>		<b>(3)</b> <b>An Seanchóiste/Na Seanchóistí</b>	
·	An Roghchoiste um Poist, Fiontair agus Nuálaíocht	·	Poist, Fiontair agus Nuálaíocht	·	An Roghchoiste um Poist, Coimirce Shóisialach agus Oideachas
·	An Roghchoiste um Chomhshaol, Cultúr agus Gaeltacht	·	Comhshaol, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil	·	An Roghchoiste um Chomhshaol, Iompar, Cultúr agus Gaeltacht
		·	Ealaíona, Oidhreacht agus Gaeltacht		
·	An Roghchoiste um Talmhaíocht, Bia agus Muir	·	Talmhaíocht, Bia agus Muir	·	An Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Acmhainní Nádurtha agus Talmhaíocht
·	An Roghchoiste um Oideachas agus Coimirce Shóisialach	·	Oideachas agus Scileanna	·	An Roghchoiste um Poist, Coimirce Shóisialach agus Oideachas
		·	Coimirce Shóisialach		
·	An Roghchoiste um Iompar agus	·	Iompar, Turasóireacht	·	An Roghchoiste um Chomhshaol, Iompar, Cultúr

	Cumarsáid		agus Spórt		agus Gaeltacht; agus
		·	Cumarsáid, Fuinneamh agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha	·	An Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Acmhainní Nádúrtha agus Talmhaíocht

<b><u>SCHEDULE</u></b>					
<b>(1)</b> <b>New Committee</b>		<b>(2)</b> <b>Department/s</b>		<b>(3)</b> <b>Old Committee/s</b>	
·	Select Committee on Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation	·	Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation	·	Select Committee on Jobs, Social Protection and Education
·	Select Committee on Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht	·	Environment, Community and Local Government	·	Select Committee on Environment, Transport, Culture and the Gaeltacht
		·	Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht		
·	Select Committee on Agriculture, Food and the Marine	·	Agriculture, Food and the Marine	·	Select Committee on Communications, Natural Resources and Agriculture
	Select Committee on Education and Social Protection	·	Education and Skills	·	Select Committee on Jobs, Social Protection and Education
		·	Social Protection		

	Select Committee on Transport and Communications	·	Transport, Tourism and Sport	·	Select Committee on Environment, Transport, Culture and the Gaeltacht; and
		·	Communications, Energy and Natural Resources		
				·	Select Committee on Communications, Natural Resources and Agriculture

## **JOINT COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND THE MARINE** (19 June – 31 Dec 2012)

Chairman: Andrew Doyle (FG)

Deputies: Tom Barry (FG)  
Pat Deering (FG) (Vice-Chairman)  
Martin Ferris (SF)  
Martin Heydon (FG)  
Colm Keaveney (LAB)  
Michael McNamara (LAB)  
Éamon Ó Cuív (FF)  
Thomas Pringle (IND)

Senators: Michael Comiskey (FG)  
Paschal Mooney (FF)  
Mary Ann O'Brien (IND)  
Brian Ó Domhnaill (FF)  
Susan O'Keeffe (LAB)  
Pat O'Neill (FG)

**Notes:**

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by Order of the Dáil on 12 June 2012
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by Order of the Seanad on 14 June 2012
3. Deputy Andrew Doyle elected as Chairman on 19 June 2012
4. Deputy Pat Deering elected as Vice-Chairman on 19 June 2012
5. Deputy Michael Moynihan was discharged from the Committee and Deputy Éamon ÓCuív was appointed to the Committee in substitution for him by Order of the Dáil on 19 July 2012
6. Deputy Michael Colreavy was discharged from the Committee and Deputy Martin Ferris was appointed to the Committee in substitution for him by Order of the Dáil on 25 September 2012



## **JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND SOCIAL PROTECTION** (19 June – 31 Dec 2012)

Chairperson: Joanna Tuffy (Lab)

Deputies: James Bannon (FG)  
Ray Butler (FG)  
Joan Collins (PBPA)  
Clare Daly (IND)  
Brendan Griffin (FG)<sup>3</sup>  
Jim Daly (FG)<sup>6</sup>  
Derek Keating (FG)<sup>5</sup>  
Charlie McConalogue (FF)<sup>3</sup>  
Nicky McFadden (FG)  
Jonathan O'Brien (FG)<sup>4</sup>  
Willie O'Dea (FF)<sup>4</sup>  
Aodhán Ó Ríordáin (Lab)  
Aengus Ó Snodaigh (SF)  
Brendan Ryan (Lab)

Senators: Jim D'Arcy (FG)  
Fidelma Healy Eames (FG)  
Marie Moloney (Lab)  
Averil Power (FF)  
Diarmuid Wilson (FF)  
Mary Moran (Lab)<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Deputy Charlie McConalogue replaced Deputy Brendan Smith on 19 July 2012

<sup>4</sup> Deputy Willie O'Dea replaced Deputy Barry Cowen on 19 July 2012

<sup>3</sup> Deputy Brendan Griffin replaced Deputy Áine Collins 20 September 2012

<sup>4</sup> Deputy Jonathan O'Brien replaced Deputy Seán Crowe 25 September 2012

<sup>5</sup> Deputy Derek Keating replaced Deputy Mary Mitchell O'Connor 16 October 2012

<sup>6</sup> Deputy Jim Daly replaced Deputy Simon Harris 20 November 2012

<sup>7</sup> Senator Mary Moran was appointed to the committee 19 December 2012

## Joint Committee on Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht (19 June – 31 Dec 2012)

### Deputies

Mr James Bannon TD	(Fine Gael)	
Mr Paudie Coffey TD	(Fine Gael)	
Mr Noel Coonan TD	(Fine Gael)	Leas-Chathaoirleach
Mr Barry Cowen TD	(Fianna Fáil)	
Ms Marcella Corcoran Kennedy TD	(Fine Gael)	
Mr Luke Flanagan TD	(Independent)	
Mr Kevin Humphreys TD	(Labour)	
Mr Michael McCarthy TD	(Labour)	Cathaoirleach
Mr Tony Mc Loughlin TD	(Fine Gael)	
Ms Michelle Mulherin TD	(Fine Gael)	
Ms Catherine Murphy TD	(Independent)	
Mr Gerald Nash TD	(Labour)	
Seán Ó Fearghaíl TD Uasal	(Fianna Fáil)	
Mr Brian Stanley TD	(Sinn Féin)	
Mr Peadar Tóibín TD		

### Senators

	(Sinn Féin)
Ms Cáit Keane	(Fine Gael)
Mr Denis Landy	(Labour)
Fiach Mac Conghail Uas	(Neamhspleách)
Ms Catherine Noone	(Fine Gael)
Labhrás Ó Murchú Uas	(Fianna Fáil)
Mr Ned O'Sullivan	(Fianna Fáil)

### NOTES

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 12 June 2012
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 14 June 2012
3. Deputy Ciarán Lynch elected as Cathaoirleach on 19 June 2012
4. Deputy Noel Coonan elected as Leas-Chathaoirleach on 19 June 2012
5. Deputy Barry Cowen replaced Deputy Niall Collins by Order of the Dáil on 19 July 2012
6. An Teachta Seán Ó Fearghaíl replaced Deputy Robert Troy by Order of the Dáil on 19 July 2012
7. Deputy Michael McCarthy replaced Deputy Ciarán Lynch by Order of the Dáil on 10 October 2012
8. Deputy Michael McCarthy elected as Cathaoirleach on 16 October 2012
9. Deputy Michael Colreavy replaced Deputy Sandra McLellan by Order of the Dáil on 17 January 2013
10. Deputy Peadar Tóibín replaced Deputy Michael Colreavy by Order of the Dáil on 22 January 2013

## JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PUBLIC EXPENDITURE AND REFORM

(Jan – Dec 2012)

**Chairman:** Alex White (LAB)

**Deputies:** Richard Boyd-Barrett (IND)  
Michael Creed (FG)  
Jim Daly (FG)  
Pearse Doherty (SF)  
Stephen Donnelly (IND)  
Timmy Dooley (FF)\*  
Sean Fleming (FF)  
Joe Higgins (IND)  
Heather Humphreys (FG)  
Kevin Humphreys (LAB)  
Peter Mathews (FG)  
Pádraig Mac Lochlainn (SF)\*\*\*  
Mary Lou McDonald (SF)  
Michael McGrath (FF)  
Michael McNamara (LAB)\*\*  
Dara Murphy (FG)\*\*\*\*\*  
Kieran O'Donnell (FG)  
Arthur Spring (LAB)  
Billy Timmins (FG)  
Liam Twomey (FG) (Vice-Chair)

**Senators:** Sean D. Barrett (IND)  
Thomas Byrne (FF)  
Senator Paul Coghlan (FG)\*\*\*\*\*  
Michael D'Arcy (FG)  
Aideen Hayden (LAB)  
Tom Sheahan (FG)

Notes:

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 9 June 2011
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 16 June 2011
3. \*Deputy Timmy Dooley appointed on 21 June 2011 in place of Deputy Seán O' Fearghaíl
4. Deputy Alex White elected as Chairman on 23 June 2011
5. Deputy Liam Twomey elected as Vice Chairperson on 23 June 2011
6. \*\*Deputy Michael McNamara appointed on 8 December 2011 in place of Deputy Thomas P. Broughan
7. \*\*\*Deputy Pádraig Mac Lochlainn appointed on 14 December 2011 in place of Deputy Jonathan O'Brien
8. \*\*\*\*Senator Denis O'Donovan appointed on 10 May 2012 in place of Senator Katherine Zappone
9. \*\*\*\*\*Senator Paul Coghlan appointed on 14 June 2012 in place of Senator Denis O'Donovan
10. \*\*\*\*\*Deputy Dara Murphy appointed on 19 July 2012 in place of Deputy Olivia Mitchell

## **JOINT COMMITTEE FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE**

(Jan – Dec 2012)

Chairman: Pat Breen (FG)

Deputies: Eric Byrne (Lab)  
Seán Crowe (SF)  
Bernard J. Durkan (FG) (Vice Chairperson)  
Olivia Mitchell (FG)  
Gerald Nash (Lab)  
Dan Neville (FG)  
Maureen O’Sullivan (Ind)  
Brendan Smith (FF)

Senators: Deirdre Clune (FG)  
Mark Daly (FF)  
Lorraine Higgins (Lab)  
Michael Mullins (FG)  
David Norris (Ind)  
Jim Walsh (FF)

### Notes:

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 9 June 2011
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 16 June 2011
3. Deputy Pat Breen elected as Chairman on 22 June 2011
4. Deputy Bernard J. Durkan elected as Vice Chairperson on 22 June 2011
5. Deputy Gerald Nash appointed on 26 January 2012 (in substitution for Michael McNamara)
6. Deputy Olivia Mitchell appointed on 19 July 2012 (in substitution for Dara Murphy)
7. Deputy Brendan Smith appointed on 19 July 2012 (in substitution for Seán O Fearghaíl)
8. Deputy Seán Crowe appointed on 25 September (in substitution for Pádraig MacLochlainn)

## **Joint Committee on Health and Children**

(Jan – Dec 2012)

Chairman: Jerry Buttimer (FG)

Deputies: Catherine Byrne (FG)  
Michael Colreavy (SF)  
Ciara Conway (Lab) (Vice Chairperson)  
Regina Doherty (FG)  
Robert Dowds (Lab)  
Peter Fitzpatrick (FG)  
Seamus Healy (Ind)  
Billy Kelleher (FF)  
Eamonn Maloney (Lab)  
Mattie McGrath (Ind)  
Mary Mitchell O'Connor (FG)  
Denis Naughten (Ind)  
Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin (SF)  
Robert Troy (FF)

Senators: Colm Burke (FG)  
John Crown (Ind)  
John Gilroy (Lab)  
Imelda Henry (FG)  
Marc Mac Sharry (FF)

**Notes:**

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 9 June 2011
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 16 June 2011
3. Deputy Denis Naughten elected as Chairman on 23 June 2011
4. Deputy Ciara Conway elected as Vice Chairperson on 23 June 2011
5. Deputy Denis Naughten resigned from the position of Chairman of the Committee on 14 July 2011
6. Deputy Jerry Buttimer elected as Chairman on 20 July 2011
7. Senator David Cullinane was discharged from Committee on 14 June 2012
8. Deputy Charlie McConalogue was replaced by Deputy Robert Troy on 19 July 2012
9. Deputy Derek Keating was replaced by Deputy Mary Mitchell O'Connor on 16 October 2012

## JOINT COMMITTEE ON JOBS, ENTERPRISE AND INNOVATION

(19 June – 31 Dec 2012)

**Chairman:** Damien English (FG)

**Deputies:** Dara Calleary (FF)<sup>5</sup>  
Áine Collins (FG)<sup>6</sup>  
Michael Conaghan (LAB)  
Damien English (FG)  
Tom Fleming (IND)<sup>7</sup>  
Seán Kyne (FG)  
Anthony Lawlor (FG)  
John Lyons (LAB) (Vice-Chairman)  
Peadar Tóibín (SF)

**Senators:** Deirdre Clune (FG)  
David Cullinane (SF)  
John Kelly (LAB)  
Michael Mullins (FG)  
Feargal Quinn (Ind)  
Mary White (FF)

**Notes:**

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 12 June 2012
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 14 June 2012
3. Deputy Damien English was appointed as Chairman on 19 June 2012
4. Deputy John Lyons was appointed as Vice Chairman on 19 June 2012

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<sup>5</sup> Deputy Dara Calleary replaced Deputy Willie O’Dea on 19 July 2012

<sup>6</sup> Deputy Áine Collins replaced Deputy Deputy Brendan Griffin on 20 September 2012

<sup>7</sup> Deputy Tom Fleming replaced Deputy John Halligan on 9 May 2013

## **JOINT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, DEFENCE AND EQUALITY** **(JAN – DEC 2012)**

Deputies: Niall Collins (FF)<sup>6</sup>  
Marcella Corcoran Kennedy (FG)<sup>8</sup>  
Alan Farrell (FG)<sup>1</sup>  
Anne Ferris (LAB)<sup>2</sup> [*Vice-Chairman*]  
Seán Kenny (LAB)  
Pádraig Mac Lochlainn (SF)<sup>7</sup>  
Finian McGrath (IND)  
John Paul Phelan (FG)<sup>4</sup>  
David Stanton (FG) [*Chairman*]

Senators: Ivana Bacik (LAB)  
Paul Bradford (FG)  
Martin Conway (FG)  
Rónán Mullen (IND)  
Denis O'Donovan (FF)<sup>5</sup>  
Katherine Zappone (IND)<sup>3</sup>

Notes:

1. Deputy Alan Farrell replaced Deputy Billy Timmins by Order of the Dáil on 29 November 2011
2. Deputy Anne Ferris replaced Deputy Joanna Tuffy by Order of the Dáil on 26 January 2012
3. Senator Katherine Zappone replaced Senator Denis O'Donovan on 10 May 2012
4. Deputy John Paul Phelan replaced Deputy Tom Hayes by Order of the Dáil on 14 June 2012
5. Senator Denis O'Donovan was reappointed to the Committee on 14 June 2012
6. Deputy Niall Collins replaced Deputy Dara Calleary by Order of the Dáil on 19 July 2012
7. Deputy Pádraig Mac Lochlainn replaced Deputy Jonathan O'Brien by Order of the Dáil on 25 September 2012
8. Deputy Marcella Corcoran Kennedy replaced Deputy Michael Creed by Order of the Dáil on 7 November 2012

## **Join Committee on Transport and Communications**

(19 June – 31 Dec 2012)

Chairman: Tom Hayes (FG)

Deputies: Timmy Dooley (FF)  
Dessie Ellis (SF)  
Martin Ferris (SF)  
Terence Flanagan (FG)  
Tom Fleming (IND)  
Noel Harrington (FG)  
Colm Keaveney (LAB)  
Seán Kenny (LAB)  
Mattie McGrath (IND)  
Éamon Ó Cuiv (FF)  
Patrick O'Donovan (FG)  
John O'Mahony (FG) [Vice-Chairman]  
Ann Phelan (LAB)  
Brian Walsh (FG)

Senators: Terry Brennan (FG)  
Seán D. Barrett (IND)  
Eamonn Coughlan (FG)  
Paschal Mooney (FF)  
Ned O'Sullivan (FF)  
John Whelan (LAB)

### Notes:

1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 12 June, 2012
2. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 14 June, 2012
3. Deputy Tom Hayes elected as Chairman on 20 June, 2012
4. Deputy John O'Mahony elected as Vice-Chairman on 20 June, 2012
5. Deputy Éamon Ó Cuiv was discharged from the Committee and Deputy Michael Moynihan was appointed to the Committee in substitution for him by order of the Dáil on 19 July, 2012
6. Deputy Martin Ferris was discharged from the Committee and Deputy Michael Colreavy was appointed to the Committee in substitution for him by order of the Dáil on 25 September, 2012



## **Joint Committee on Communications, Natural Resources and Agriculture**

(Jan – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012)

### **Deputies:**

Tom Barry (FG)

Michael Colreavy (SF)

Pat Deering (FG)

Andrew Doyle (FG) [Chairman]

Martin Ferris (SF)

Noel Harrington (FG)

Martin Heydon (FG)

Colm Keaveney (LAB)

Mattie McGrath (IND)

Michael McNamara (LAB)

Michael Moynihan (FF)

Eamon ÓCuív (FF)

John O'Mahony (FG) [Vice-Chairman]

Ann Phelan (LAB)

Thomas Pringle (IND)

### **Senators:**

Michael Comiskey (FG)

Paschal Mooney (FF)

Mary Ann O'Brien (IND)

Brian Ó Domhnaill (FF)

Pat O'Neill (FG)

John Whelan (LAB)

## JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT, CULTURE AND THE GAELTACHT

(Jan – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012)

### LIST OF MEMBERS

Mr James Bannon TD	(Fine Gael)	
Mr Paudie Coffey TD	(Fine Gael)	
Mr Niall Collins TD	(Fianna Fáil)	
Mr Noel Coonan	(Fine Gael)	Leas-Chathaoirleach
Ms Marcella Corcoran Kennedy TD	(Fine Gael)	(Fine Gael)
Ms Clare Daly TD	(Socialist Party)	
Mr Timmy Dooley TD	(Fianna Fáil)	
Mr Dessie Ellis TD	(Sinn Féin)	
Mr Luke Flanagan TD	(Independent)	
Mr Terence Flanagan TD	(Fine Gael)	
Mr Kevin Humphreys TD	(Labour)	
Mr Seán Kenny TD	(Labour)	
Mr Ciarán Lynch TD	(Labour)	Cathaoirleach
Ms Sandra Mc Lellan TD	(Sinn Féin)	
Mr Tony Mc Loughlin TD	(Fine Gael)	
Ms Catherine Murphy TD	(Independent)	
Mr Gerald Nash TD	(Labour)	
Mr Patrick O'Donovan TD	(Fine Gael)	
Mr Brian Stanley TD	(Sinn Féin)	
Mr Robert Troy TD	(Fianna Fáil)	
Mr Brian Walsh TD	(Fine Gael)	
Senator Cáit Keane	(Fine Gael)	
Senator Denis Landy	(Labour)	
An Seanadóir		
Fiach Mac Conghail	(Neamhspleách)	
Senator Catherine Noone	(Fine Gael)	
An Seanadóir		
Labhrás Ó Murchú	(Fianna Fáil)	
Senator Ned O'Sullivan	(Fianna Fáil)	

### NOTES

- 1 Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 9 June 2011
- 2 Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 16 June 2011
- 3 Deputy Ciarán Lynch elected as Chairman on 21 June 2011
- 4 Deputy Noel Coonan elected as Vice Chairperson on 21 June 2011
- 5 An Seanadóir Fiach Mac Conghail replaced Senator Éamonn Coughlan on 31 January 2012

## **Joint Committee on Jobs, Social Protection and Education**

(1 Jan–16<sup>th</sup> June 2012)

**Chairman:** Damien English (FG)

**Deputies:**

Ray Butler (FG)  
Áine Collins (FG)  
Joan Collins (PBPA)  
Michael Conaghan (LAB)  
Barry Cowen (FF)  
Seán Crowe (SF)  
Damien English (FG)  
Tom Fleming (Ind)  
Brendan Griffin (FG)  
John Halligan (Ind)  
Seán Kyne (FG)  
Anthony Lawlor (FG)  
John Lyons (LAB)  
Nicky McFadden (FG)  
Mary Mitchell O'Connor (FG)  
Willie O'Dea (FF)  
Aodhán Ó Ríordáin (LAB) (Vice-Chair)  
Aengus Ó Snodaigh (SF)  
Brendan Ryan (LAB)  
Brendan Smith (FF)  
Peadar Tóibín (SF)

**Senators:**

Deirdre Clune (FG)  
John Kelly (LAB)  
Michael Mullins (FG)  
Marie Louise O'Donnell (Ind)  
Averil Power (FF)  
Feargal Quinn (Ind)

### APPENDIX 3

Committee Name	No. of Meetings	Lead Department	Proposal Type	Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny
<b>Communications, Natural Resources and Agriculture</b>		Communications, Energy & Natural Resources	REG	1	0	0	0	0
(From 1st January 2012 to 18th June 2012)			DEC	1	0	1	0	0
			DIR	0	0	0	0	0
			GREEN	2	0	1	0	1
			EWN	0	0	0	0	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
		Agriculture, Fisheries & Food	REG	26	0	16	1	9
			DEC	18	1	17	0	0
			DIR	2	0	2	0	0
			GREEN	1	0	0	1	0
			EWN	0	0	0	0	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>47</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>8</b>			<b>50</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Environment, Transport, Culture and the Gaeltacht</b>		Transport, Tourism and Sport	REG	7	0	2	1	4
(From 1st January 2012 to 18th June 2012)			DEC	12	0	12	0	0
			DIR	4	0	3	1	0
			White Paper	1	0	0	0	1
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>

Committee Name	No. of Meetings	Lead Department	Proposal Type	Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny
		Environment, Community and Local Govt.	REG	4	0	3	1	0
			DEC	4	0	1	2	1
			DIR	5	0	3	1	1
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
		Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht	DEC	3	0	3	0	0
			REG	2	0	1	1	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Agriculture, Food and the Marine</b>		<b>Agriculture, Food and the Marine</b>	REG	25		23		2
(New Committee Structure from 19th June 2012)			DEC	23		23		
			DIR	1		1		
			GREEN	0				
			EWM	0				
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>49</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>49</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

Committee Name	No. of Meetings	Lead Department	Proposal Type	Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny
<b>Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht</b>		<b>Environment, Community and Local Government</b>	REG	1	1			
(New Committee Structure from 19th June 2012)			DEC	4	4			
			DIR	3	2			1
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
		<b>Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht</b>	DEC	0				
			REG	0				
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Transport and Communications</b>		<b>Transport, Tourism and Sport</b>	DEC	4		4		
(New Committee Structure from 19th June 2012)			REG	2		0		2
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
		<b>Communications, Energy &amp; Natural Resources</b>	DEC	2		2		
			REG	4		2		2
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>

Committee Name	No. of Meetings	Lead Department	Proposal Type	Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny
<b>Jobs, Social Protection and Education</b>		Jobs, Enterprise & Innovation	REG	23	9	8	2	4
(From 1st January 2012 to 18th June 2012)			DEC	9	0	8	1	0
			DIR	14	0	9	0	5
			GREEN	1	0	0	0	1
			EWN	0	0	0	0	0
* New Legislative framework			NLF*	1	0	1	1	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>48</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>
		Education and Skills	REG	1	0	0	0	1
			DEC	5	0	5	0	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>10</b>			<b>54</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Jobs, Enterprise &amp; Innovation</b>		<b>Jobs, Enterprise &amp; Innovation</b>	REG	26		24		2
(New Committee Structure from 19th June 2012)			DEC	12		12		
			DIR	1		1		
			GREEN	0				
			EWN	24		24		
* New Legislative framework			NLF*	0				
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>63</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

Committee Name	No. of Meetings	Lead Department	Proposal Type	Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny
<b>Education and Social Protection</b>		<b>Education and Skills</b>	REG	5		2	2	1
(New Committee Structure from 19th June 2012)			DEC	20		20		
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform</b>		Finance	REG	24	0	18	0	6
			DEC	30	21	8	0	1
			DIR	7	0	5	0	2
			BUDGET	10	4	3	1	2
			Green Paper	2	0	2	0	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>73</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>
		Office of the Revenue Commissioners	REG	5	0	5	0	0
			DEC	2	1	1	0	0
			DIR	1	0	0	0	1
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
		Public Expenditure and Reform	REG	12	3	9	0	0
			DIR	1	0	1	0	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
		Taoiseach	REG	0	0	0	0	0
			DEC	1	1			
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



Committee Name	No. of Meetings	Lead Department	Proposal Type	Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny
		Central Statistics Office	REG	3	0	3	0	0
			DEC	1	1	0	0	0
		<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>8</b>			<b>99</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Foreign Affairs and Trade</b>		Foreign Affairs and Trade	REG	25	13	3	0	0
			DEC	44	20	17	2	5
			CFSP	6	2	4	0	0
			DIR	1	0	17	1	0
			Joint Action	8	7	1		
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>15</b>			<b>84</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Health and Children</b>		Health	REG	7	0	5	0	0
			DIR	7	0	3	1	3
			DEC	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals by Committee</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Justice, Defence and Equality</b>		Justice and Equality	REG	14	1	9	3	1
			DEC	16	0	16	0	0
			DIR	3	0	1	0	2
			TITLE v JUSTICE	2	0	2	0	0

Committee Name	No. of Meetings	Lead Department	Proposal Type	Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny
			Green Paper	1		1		
		Sub-Total		36	1	29	3	3
		Attorney General's Office	REG	0	0	0	0	0
		Sub-Total		0	0	0	0	0
Totals by Committee	6			36	1	29	3	3
TOTAL 2012	78			537	91	351	24	71
		Percentage of total considerations examined			17%	65%	5%	13%
				Proposals considered	Adopted Measures at time of meeting	No further Scrutiny - no further action	No further Scrutiny - further action	Further Scrutiny

## Appendix 4

### Proposals Considered for further scrutiny or action by Sectoral Committees 2012