

**LEGISLATION  
PROGRAMME  
CURRENT SESSION**

**Office of the Government Chief Whip  
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## **Foreword by the Government Chief Whip**

This is the first Government Legislative Programme of a new Partnership Government. We are the first minority Government in Ireland in almost thirty years and as such we will work in partnership with all those elected to the Oireachtas on a range of legislation that will come before the Dáil and Seanad over the years ahead. The cross party Dáil Reform Committee has published a Report recommending a number of reforms that will provide new structures to allow the Executive and the Parliament work in partnership.

This Programme sets out the legislation that we as a Government will seek to publish over the next few months to start to fulfil the commitments made in the "Programme for a Partnership Government" to address the problems we face as a Nation.

The last Government introduced a number of far reaching Oireachtas reforms including the introduction of the Pre-Legislative Stage for Bills. This has opened up the law making process like never before. Committees can now review the Heads of a Bill and meet with experts, interested citizens and civil society groups working in the area before providing a Report to the Minister while the Bill is still being drafted.

This Pre-Legislative Stage is key to the way Government Legislative programmes will now be published.

- Our first list will set out the Government Bills to be published in the Session and comment on the Pre-Legislative status of each Bill.
- The second list will set out the Bills to undergo Pre-Legislative Stage in this Session.
- The third list will set out the other Bills each Department plans to introduce in the long term and provides an update on the status of each.
- The fourth list sets out those Bills currently before the Oireachtas.
- The final two lists set out the Acts passed and the Bills published by the current Government since it took office on the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

Cabinet has approved 11 Bills for inclusion in its first Government Legislative Programme. There is a focus on tackling crime with a Criminal Justice Bill, Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) Bill and Bills to reform the law on suspended sentences and victims of crime. The Government has also prioritised legislation in areas such as Admissions to Schools, Water Services, Paternity, the IRBC Commission of Investigation among other areas.

These 11 Bills, that the Government intend to publish over the next couple of months, together with the 14 Government Bills currently before the Dáil, 12 of which fell with the dissolution of the last Dáil but were reinstated, and three Bills the Government intends to reinstate in the Seanad means that this Government will have an active legislative agenda for the remainder of this Dáil term and into the Autumn term.

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## **The Legislation Programme is broken down into the following listings:**

- Priority Legislation for Publication This Session **(11)**
- Bills expected to undergo Pre-Legislative Scrutiny (PLS) This Session **(4)**
- All Other Legislation **(97)**
- Bills currently on the Dáil and Seanad Order Paper **(17)**
- Bills which were enacted since the Government came to office on 6th May 2016 **(None to date)**
- Bills which were published since the Government came to office on 6th May 2016 **(1)**

## Priority Legislation for **Publication** This Session

Title	Purpose	Date Pre-Legislative Scrutiny (PLS) took place / Expected Date of Pre-Legislative Scrutiny
<b>Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht</b>		
Wildlife (Amendment) Bill	The Bill will provide necessary powers to the Minister to allow the de-designation of certain Raised Bog Natural Heritage Areas, as required in line with a review approved by Government in 2014 and submitted to the European Commission in the context of ongoing legal action against Ireland	Pre-Legislation Scrutiny to be determined
<b>Department of Education and Skills</b>		
Education (Admission to Schools) Bill	To contain provisions regarding the enrolment of pupils in schools and the requirement for schools to operate enrolment policies in a transparent fashion	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny took place in March 2014
<b>Department of Environment, Community and Local Government</b>		
Water Services Bill	To suspend the water charges for nine months and establish an External Advisory Body	Pre-Legislation Scrutiny to be determined.
<b>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</b>		
Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict (Hague Convention) Bill	To enable the State to ratify the 1954 Hague Convention on the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and to Accede to its 1999 Protocol	Pre-Legislation Scrutiny may not be required.
<b>Department of Health</b>		
Misuse of	To control certain drugs including	Pre-Legislation Scrutiny to be

Drugs (Amendment) Bill	prescription medicines, which are being misused and sold illegally	determined	
<b>Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation</b>			
Companies (Accounting) Bill	To transpose the EU Accounting Directive (2013/34/EU)	Committee reported in April 2015. No requirement for Pre-Legislative Scrutiny	
<b>Department of Justice and Equality</b>			
Criminal Justice Bill	To respond to organised crime and in particular to enhance the law on seizure of proceeds of crime	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny to be determined	
Criminal Justice (Suspended Sentences of Imprisonment) Bill	To amend S. 99 (Power to suspend sentence) of the Criminal Justice Act 2006, following the High Court Judgment of 19 April which found subsections 99(9) and 99(10) of the Act to be unconstitutional	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny to be determined	
Criminal Justice (Victims of Crime) Bill	To give effect to EU Directive 2012/29 establishing minimum standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny completed in October 2015	
Commissions of Investigation (IBRC) Bill	To address matters affecting the work of the IBRC Commission of Investigation	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny to be determined	
Paternity Bill	To provide for the introduction of 2 weeks paternity leave and associated social welfare benefit as from September 2016		

## Bills that are expected to undergo Pre-Legislative Scrutiny (PLS) This Session

Title	Purpose	Expected Date of Pre-Legislative Scrutiny	
<b>Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine</b>			
Sea Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction (Amendment) Bill	To provide for a points system for serious fishery infringements of the Common Fisheries Policy as required by Council Regulation 1224/2009, to affirm that fishing quotas are a national resource, resolve some typographical errors in the Principal Act of 2006 and introduce other miscellaneous and technical amendments	As soon as possible	
<b>Department of Finance</b>			
Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman Bill	To amalgamate the Offices of the Pensions and Financial Services Ombudsman	As soon as possible	
Taxation and Certain Other Matters (International Mutual Assistance) Bill	To transpose elements of the OECD Mutual Convention on Administrative Assistance and the EU/Switzerland Anti-Fraud Agreement. Both of these international agreements have been signed up by Ireland and related primarily to mutual assistance and exchange of information between countries. Some of the provisions of the agreements have been transposed into Irish law already and this bill would complete the transposition of both these agreements	As soon as possible	
<b>Department of Health</b>			
Health Information and Patient Safety Bill	To provide a legislative framework for the better governance of health information, initiatives including data matching, health information resources for use in the health service and support for clinical audit and patient safety	As soon as possible	

	notifications. It will also provide for the extension of HIQA's remit to private health service providers		
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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b><u>Agriculture Food and the Marine</u></b>		
<b>Greyhound Industry (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend and extend the Greyhound Industry Act 1958 and the Welfare of Greyhounds Act 2011	Heads are currently being drafted
<b>Sea Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction (Amendment) Bill</b>	To provide for a points system for skippers of fishing vessels found to have infringed the Common Fisheries Policy and to introduce fixed penalty notices for minor offences	
<b><u>Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht</u></b>		
<b>National Archives (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the transfer of records rule from 30 years to 20 years	Heads expected shortly
<b>National Cultural Institutions (No. 1) Bill</b>	To revise and update the governance arrangements in regard to the National Gallery, Irish Museum of Modern Art and Crawford Art Gallery Cork, including shared services	Heads approved in July 2013. Work is progressing
<b>National Cultural Institutions (No. 2) Bill</b>	To revise and update the governance arrangements in regard to the National Library, the National Museum and the National Archives of Ireland including shared services	Heads approved in February 2014 - Work is progressing
<b>National Monuments Bill</b>	To consolidate and update the legislative code governing the protection and regulation of the national archaeological heritage	Heads approved and work is proceeding
<b>Official Languages (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the Official Languages Act 2003	Heads approved in April 2014 - Pre-Leg Scrutiny has taken place

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b><u>Children and Youth Affairs</u></b>		
<b>Adoption (Tracing and Information) Bill</b>	To provide an Information and Tracing Service for adopted persons and other	Heads approved in July 2015, Pre-Leg took place in October 2015
<b>Child Care (Amendment) Bill</b>	To reform the Guardian ad Litem service	Heads expected by end 2016
<b><u>Communications Energy and Natural Resources</u></b>		
<b>Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the Broadcasting Act 2009 on the BAI 5 year review of public funding	Heads being prepared
<b>Digital Hub Development Agency (Dissolution) Bill</b>	To dissolve the DHDA, repeal the DHDA Act 2003, and to give effect to the merger between the DHDA and Dublin City Council	Heads expected in July 2016
<b>EirGrid Bill</b>	To establish EirGrid in primary legislation	Initial preparatory work is underway
<b>Geothermal Energy Development Bill</b>	To provide a legislative framework for the vesting, licensing and regulation of the development of geothermal energy	Drafting is ongoing
<b>Inland Fisheries (Amendment) Bill</b>	To confirm that IFI has the power to prosecute under the Inland Fisheries Act 2010 and the power to prohibit purchase and possession of certain fish	Drafting of heads is underway
<b>Inland Fisheries (Modernisation &amp; Consolidation) Bill</b>	To modernise and consolidate existing provisions of legislation governing the inland fisheries sector	Heads expected early 2017
<b><u>Defence</u></b>		
<b>Defence (Amendment) Bill</b>	To revise the Defence Acts in relation to the deployment of military personnel	Heads are currently under preparation

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
	overseas and other matters	
<b>Defence Forces (Forensic Evidence) Bill</b>	To provide for members of the Military Police to take and use DNA samples for the purposes of their investigations, particularly outside the jurisdiction when Defence Force personnel are deployed overseas.	Heads approved on 20 February 2015, Committee decided not to undertake Pre-Leg Scrutiny
<b>Red Cross (Amendment) Bill</b>	To repeal the Red Cross Act 1938 and put in place a new legal framework for the Irish Red Cross Society	Heads approved on 24 November 2015, Pre-leg expected in the Autumn
<b><u>Education and Skills</u></b>		
<b>Education (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill</b>	To make some necessary minor and technical amendments to education legislation	Heads are currently being drafted
<b>Higher Education (Reform) Bill</b>	To modernise the legislative framework underpinning the governance and functions of the Higher Education Authority and the governance structures of the universities	Heads are currently being drafted
<b>Qualifications and Quality Assurance (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the Qualifications and Quality Assurance (Education and Training) Act 2012 to address some issues that have arisen regarding the scope of QQI's responsibilities in relation to recognition of awards and regulation of private and voluntary providers, to ensure adequate protection of enrolled learners where providers discontinue a programme, and to give greater authority to Institutes of Technology to award Level 9 qualifications	Work is underway in Department
<b>Retention of Certain Records</b>	To retain the records of the Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse, the	Heads approved 3 March 2015, Pre-

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Bill</b>	Residential Institutions Redress Board and the Residential Institutions Review Committee, to amend the Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 and the Residential Institutions Redress Act 2002	Leg Scrutiny in May 2015
<b>Universities (Amendment) Bill</b>	To ensure compliance with government guidelines on remuneration, allowances, pensions and staffing numbers in the University sector	Heads approved in October 2012. Drafting underway
<b><u>Environment Community and Local Government</u></b>		
<b>Electoral Commission Bill</b>	To provide for the establishment of an Electoral Commission	Committee engaged in an extensive consultation in 2015 and reported to Minister
<b>Housing (Regulation of Approved Housing Bodies) Bill</b>	To provide a regulatory framework for the operation of approved housing bodies	Heads approved on 29 September 2015, Pre-Leg Scrutiny has yet to take place
<b>Maritime Area and Foreshore (Amendment) Bill</b>	To streamline the development consent process for the foreshore including, inter alia, the integration of certain parts of the foreshore consent process (under the Foreshore Act 1933) with the existing on-land planning system	Heads approved on 23rd July 2013. Committee reported on Pre-Leg Scrutiny in February 2014. May resubmit for further consideration
<b><u>Finance</u></b>		
<b>Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Bill</b>	To allow for Ireland's potential membership of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)	Work is progressing
<b>Central Bank Consolidation Bill</b>	To consolidate all of the collectively cited Central Bank Acts	Work is underway
<b>Green Climate</b>	To give effect to Ireland's membership of	

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Fund Bill</b>	the UNFCCC Green Climate Fund	
<b>Investment Limited Partnership (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend certain existing collective investment scheme legislation, the Investment Limited Partnership Act 1994 and the Limited Partnership Act 1907	Work is underway
<b><u>Foreign Affairs and Trade</u></b>		
<b>Diplomatic Relations (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill</b>	To revise various legislative provisions in order to update and improve the operation of our diplomatic relations	Heads expected end 2016
<b><u>Health</u></b>		
<b>Assisted Human Reproduction Bill</b>	To provide a legislative framework for the regulation of assisted human reproduction practices and stem cell research	Heads currently being developed
<b>Health &amp; Wellbeing (Calorie Posting and Workplace Wellbeing) Bill</b>	To require food premises to display calories on menus and to require all public sector employers to have and to report on a Health and Wellbeing policy	Heads are currently being drafted
<b>Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) (No. 2) Bill</b>	To amend the Medical Practitioners Act 2007, the Dental Act 1985, the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005, the Pharmacy Act 2007, the Nurses and Midwives Act 2011 and the Health Acts 1953 and 2004 to provide for 1) amendments required by the transposition of Directive 2013/55/EU, 2) an appeal against the minor sanctions, and 3) amendments in relation to a number of other issues including amendments to the registration of medical practitioners	Heads approved on 17 November 2015

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Health (Transport Support) Bill</b>	To provide for a scheme to make individual payments as a contribution towards transport costs to people with severe disabilities who cannot access public transport	Heads expected July 2016
<b>Health Act 2007 (Amendment) Bill</b>	To provide for the extension of the Health Information and Quality Authority's functions to encompass regulation in the area of medical ionising radiation protection	Heads expected end 2016. Pre-Leg Scrutiny to follow
<b>Health Insurance (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the risk equalisation credit rates and corresponding stamp duty levies payable under the Risk Equalisation Scheme	
<b>Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill</b>	To insert policies and principles for secondary legislation into the Principal Act and to provide for the establishment of supervised injection facilities	Heads approved in January & December 2015. PreLeg Scrutiny expected in the Autumn
<b>New Children's Hospital Establishment Bill</b>	To establish a statutory body to provide paediatric acute services in Dublin at the new children's hospital, taking over those services currently provided by Our Lady's Hospital Crumlin, Temple Street and the paediatric service at Tallaght Hospital. It will also make amendments relating to the functions of the National Paediatric Hospital Development Board (Establishment) Order	Heads of bill expected July 2016
<b>Open Disclosures Bill</b>	To deal with supporting the open disclosure to patients of patient safety incidents. They are part of a broader package of measures aimed at improving the experience of those who are affected by adverse events within the health system	Heads approved in November 2015, Pre-Leg Scrutiny to take place shortly

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Patient Safety (Licensing of Healthcare Facilities) Bill</b>	To provide for a mandatory system of licensing for public and private healthcare facilities	Heads of bill expected end 2016
<b>Public Health (Sale of Tobacco Products and Non-Medicinal Nicotine Delivery Systems) Bill</b>	To provide for inter alia, the 1) introduction of a licensing system for the sale of tobacco products, 2) introduction of a licensing system for the sale of NMNDS, 3) prohibition of the sale of tobacco products from temporary or mobile units/containers, at events/locations primarily intended for persons under 18 years of age, by persons under 18 years of age, 4) prohibition of the sale of NMNDS by persons under 18 years of age and to persons under 18 years of age	Heads of bill are currently being drafted
<b><u>Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation</u></b>		
<b>Amendment of the Constitution (Unified Patent Court) Bill</b>	To amend Article 29 of the Constitution to recognise the International Agreement on a Unified Patent Court	Heads approved on 23 July 2014
<b>Casual Trading (Amendment) Bill</b>	To align the provisions of the Casual Trading Act 1995 with the provisions of the EU Services Directive	Heads expected in the near future, Pre-Leg to follow shortly after
<b>Copyright and Related Rights (and Miscellaneous Intellectual Property Matters) Amendment) Bill</b>	To implement certain recommendations of the Copyright Review Committee to modernise Irish copyright law with some other ancillary necessary legislative changes to copyright	Heads expected in June 2016
<b>Hallmarking (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the Hallmarking Act 1981	Heads approved on 17 September 2014, Committee decided in December 2014 not to undertake Pre-Leg Scrutiny
<b>Industrial Development Act</b>	To take account of the Supreme Court judgment in Reid vs IDA and the	Heads are currently under

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>1986 (Amendment) Bill</b>	Attorney General and to ensure that the IDA has the necessary statutory powers to undertake their property functions	preparation
<b>Knowledge Development Box (Certification of Inventions) Bill</b>	To create a certification scheme to ensure non-patented inventions can apply for the KDB lower corporate tax rate, and to make amendments to the Patents Act to re-introduce substantive examination in respect of long-term patent applications	Draft heads are expected shortly
<b>Personal Injuries Assessment Board (Amendment) Bill</b>	To introduce a number of amendments to improve the operation and implementation of the Act	Heads of bill are being prepared
<b>Statutory Audits Bill</b>	To further transpose some options in the EU Audit Directive 2014/56/EU and in the EU Regulation (537/2014)	Heads expected end 2016
<b><u>Justice and Equality</u></b>		
<b>Amendment of the Constitution (Removal of Blasphemy) Bill</b>	To provide for a referendum on removing the crime of blasphemy from the Constitution	Preliminary work has commenced
<b>Bail Bill</b>	To strengthen the operation of the bail system and make the law as effective as possible in protecting the public against crimes committed by persons on bail	Committee reported on Pre-Leg Scrutiny on 11 November 2015
<b>Civil Liability (Amendment) Bill</b>	To give much-needed financial security to those who have been catastrophically injured and who require life long care and attention	Heads approved 27 May 2015, drafting at an advanced stage
<b>Coroners (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011 which inadvertently made the Minister for Justice responsible for the appointment and payment of the	Currently being examined

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
	Dublin Coroner	
<b>Courts and Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill</b>	To enact provisions relating to electronic courts services and also it includes a wide range of other measures such as amendment of the Bankruptcy and Personal Insolvency Acts	Heads expected September 2016
<b>Courts Bill (Fixed Charge Notice Third Payment Option and Summons Printing) Bill</b>	To amend the Courts (No. 3) Act 1986 dealing with the issue of summonses to facilitate commencement of section 44 of the Road Traffic Act 2010 which provides a third option to pay in respect of a fixed charge offence	Pre-Leg Scrutiny in June 2016
<b>Criminal Justice (Community Sanctions) Bill</b>	To provide a modern statement of the law governing community sanctions and the role of the Probation Service in the criminal justice system	Committee reported on Pre-Leg Scrutiny 10 July 2014, drafting continuing
<b>Criminal Justice (Corruption) Bill</b>	To replace outdated legislation, meet international commitments to Council of Europe, OECD and UN, and some give effect to some Mahon Tribunal recommendations	Pre-Leg Scrutiny completed in 2013, drafting continuing
<b>Criminal Justice (Counterfeiting) Bill</b>	To transpose outstanding elements of Directive 2014/62/EU on the protection of the euro and other currencies against counterfeiting by criminal law, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2000/383/JHA	Work is underway
<b>Criminal Justice (Money Laundering &amp; Terrorist Financing) (Amendment) Bill</b>	To give effect to the 4th EU Money Laundering Directive	Heads expected end 2016
<b>Criminal Justice (Mutual</b>	To give effect to the Council Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA on the	Heads approved in June 2014,

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Recognition of Decisions on Supervision Measures) Bill</b>	application, between Member States of the European Union, of the principle of mutual recognition to decisions on supervision measures as an alternative to provisional detention	drafting progressing
<b>Criminal Justice (Mutual Recognition of Probation Judgements and Decisions) Bill</b>	To give effect to the Council Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to judgments and probation decisions with a view to the supervision of probation measures and alternative sanctions	Heads approved in January 2014, drafting progressing
<b>Criminal Justice (Sentencing and Parole) Bill</b>	To establish the Parole Board on a statutory basis, to set out the main principles and purposes of sentencing and to require written reasons for a sentence of imprisonment	Consultations ongoing
<b>Criminal Legal Aid Bill</b>	To redesign the current system of criminal legal aid and transfer the operation of the Scheme from the Department to the Legal Aid Board	Heads expected September 2016
<b>Criminal Procedure Bill</b>	To address Council of Europe concerns on delays in criminal cases. It provides for preliminary trial hearings and increased use of videolink hearings for prisoners	Revised heads approved in June 2015 as a result of Pre-Leg Scrutiny
<b>Criminal Records Information System Bill</b>	To implement 2 EU Council Decisions that provide for exchange of criminal records information between EU member states	Replacement EU measures under negotiation
<b>Cybercrime Bill</b>	To give effect to those provisions of the Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrime 2001 not already provided for in national law in order to enable ratification of the Convention	Preparatory Work underway

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Data Protection Bill</b>	To give effect in Irish law to the new EU Regulation recently adopted	Heads expected end 2016
<b>Disability/Equality (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill</b>	To allow ratification of UN Convention on Rights of People with Disabilities and to make further technical amendments to disability and equality legislation	Heads approved in February 2016, Pre-Leg Scrutiny to be taken shortly
<b>Domestic Violence Bill</b>	To produce a consolidated version of the Domestic Violence Act 1996 and to include additional provisions to protect victims of domestic violence	Committee reported on Pre-Leg Scrutiny in September 2015, Bill is progressing
<b>European Arrest Warrant Act (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend existing European Arrest Warrant and Extradition legislation to give effect to proposals made by a working group (Department / AGO / DPP / CSSO) tasked with drawing up proposals which would improve operation of the EAW/Extradition legislation	Draft heads yet to be prepared
<b>Explosives Bill</b>	To repeal the Explosives Act 1875 and replace it with a modern statutory framework for the control of the manufacture, storage, importation, transport and supply of explosives	Heads approved, Pre-Leg Scrutiny to be scheduled
<b>Family Court Bill</b>	To establish a Family Court as a separate division within the existing court structures	Heads expected in Autumn 2016
<b>Family Leave Bill</b>	To consolidate with amendments all family leave legislation	
<b>Gambling Control Bill</b>	To provide a comprehensive new licensing and regulatory framework for gambling. The executive regulatory	Committee reported

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
	functions are to be performed by a body within the Department	
<b>Garda Siochána (Compensation for Malicious Injuries) Bill</b>	To provide a revised scheme for compensating Gardai maliciously injured in their work	Legal advice is being analysed
<b>Independent Commission on Information Retrieval (ICIR) and the Independent Reporting Commission (IRC) Bill</b>	This bill arises from requirements under the Stormont House Agreement and the Fresh Start Agreement to give effect to the Independent Commission on Information Retrieval (ICI) and the Independent Reporting Commission (IRC)	Heads in preparation
<b>Inspection of Places of Detention Bill</b>	To provide for inspection of all places of detention in the Justice area - prisons, Garda stations, courts	Heads under preparation
<b>International Recovery of Family Maintenance (Hague Convention and Hague Protocol) Bill</b>	To implement the Hague Convention and the Hague Protocol on International Recovery of Child Support and other forms of family maintenance	Heads under preparation
<b>Judicial Appointments Bill</b>	To replace the Judicial Appointments Advisory Board with a new Judicial Appointment Commission	Heads expected by end year 2016
<b>Judicial Council Bill</b>	To promote excellence in the exercise by judges of their judicial functions and to provide effective remedies for complaints about judicial misconduct including lay participation in the investigation of complaints	Heads approved, drafting at an advanced stage
<b>Juries Bill</b>	To reform the law relating to juries	Proposals under consideration

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Landlord and Tenant (Law Reform) Bill</b>	To update and streamline the general law relating to landlord and tenant	Heads approved, work is continuing
<b>Mediation Bill</b>	To promote mediation as a viable, effective and efficient alternation to court proceedings	Heads approved February 2012, drafting is continuing
<b>Mortgages Special Court Bill / Courts (Mortgage Arrears) Bill</b>	To establish a dedicated new court to sensitively and expeditiously handle mortgage arrears and other personal insolvency cases, including through imposing solutions, including those recommended by the new service. The hearings of this court could be held in private if requested by the debtor	Currently under consideration
<b>Non-Fatal Offences against the Person (Amendment) Bill</b>	To ratify aspects of the Istanbul Convention as part of second national strategy on domestic, sexual and gender-based violence	Work is underway
<b>Passenger Name Record Bill</b>	To give effect to the Passenger Name Record Directive which must be transposed into law by May 2018. The Directive is a counter terrorist measure which obliges air carriers to provide member states' authorities with PNR data for flights entering or departing from the EU	Heads have yet to be prepared
<b>Sale of Alcohol Bill</b>	To reform the sale of alcohol	Pre-Leg to be scheduled
<b>Sex Offenders (Amendment) Bill</b>	To update the Sex Offenders Act 2001 in light of the 2010 Review into the management of sex offenders	Heads approved and some discussion with committee, work is progressing
<b>Táillte Éireann Bill</b>	To merge the Property Registration Authority, the Valuation Office and the Ordnance Survey Office	Heads approved January 2015, bill is progressing

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<u>Title of Bill</u>	<u>Purpose of Bill</u>	<u>Status of Bill</u>
<b>Transfer of Sentenced Persons and Transfer of Execution of Sentences Bill</b>	To implement an EU Framework Decision which provides for transfer of persons between member states where the affected person has not given consent	Heads approved, bill is progressing
<b><u>Public Expenditure and Reform</u></b>		
<b>Civil Service Regulation (Amendment) Bill</b>	To facilitate the streamlining and strengthening of the civil service disciplinary decision making and appeals processes	Work is underway
<b>Data-Sharing and Governance Bill</b>	To create a general legal framework setting for Public Service Bodies to share data, while respecting the Data Protection Acts, to specify transparency and governance measures to be applied and to create confidence to act, while respecting the constraints on processing of personal data	Heads approved July 2015, Pre-Leg Scrutiny in Autumn 2016
<b><u>Taoiseach</u></b>		
<b>National Economic and Social Development Office (Amendment) Bill</b>	To dissolve the NESDO and place the NESO on a statutory footing	Heads expected late 2016
<b><u>Transport Tourism and Sport</u></b>		
<b>Irish Aviation Authority (Amendment) Bill</b>	To amend the Irish Aviation Authority Act 1997 to extend the existing powers of the IAA, with regard to its safety regulation function, to recoup costs through fees and charges for its aviation security regulation functions. Giving powers and allowing the IAA to set the level and	Public Consultation is expected shortly

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	manner of aviation security charges, and the requirement for consultation with regulated entities in that regard. It will also provide for the recognition of the role of the IAA in compliance monitoring with regard to ICAO Annex 17	
<b>Large Public Service Vehicle (LPSV) Bill</b>	To provide for a new regulatory regime for large public service vehicles and to revoke the existing legislative provisions governing such vehicles	Work is underway with Department and relevant agencies
<b>Merchant Shipping (International Conventions and Maritime Safety) Bill</b>	To provide for the national implementation of certain International Maritime Conventions, the updating of existing statutes in respect of other conventions and provision of some maritime safety measures	Scoping exercise is being undertaken

### **Bills on Dáil Order Paper**

National Shared Services Office Bill 2016	<b>Order for Second Stage</b>
Single Resolution Board (Loan Facility Agreement) Bill 2016	<b>Order for Second Stage</b>
Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2016	<b>Order for Second Stage</b>
Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2016	<b>Order for Second Stage</b>
Criminal Justice (Offences Relating to Information System) Bill 2016	<b>Order for Second Stage</b>
Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Bill 2014 [Seanad]	<b>Second Stage</b>
Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Bill 2015 [Seanad]	<b>Second Stage</b>
Road Traffic Bill 2016 [Seanad]	<b>Second Stage</b>
Minerals Development Bill 2015 [Seanad]	<b>Second Stage</b>
Energy Bill 2016 [Seanad]	<b>Second Stage (resumed)</b>
National Tourism Development Authority (Amendment) Bill 2015	<b>Committee Stage</b>
Public Sector Standards Bill 2015	<b>Committee Stage</b>
Technological Universities Bill 2015	<b>Committee Stage</b>
Adoption (Amendment) Bill 2016	<b>Committee Stage</b>

### **Bills Expected to be reinstated to Seanad Order Paper**

Statute Law Revision Bill 2016 [Seanad]	<b>Order for Second Stage</b>
Heritage Bill 2016 [Seanad]	<b>Committee Stage</b>
Public Health (Alcohol) Bill 2015 [Seanad]	<b>Committee Stage</b>

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None to Date

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Adoption (Amendment) Bill 2016