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Legislation for Priority Publication Autumn Session 2025

Title of Bill	Purpose of Bill	Status of Bill
<u>Department of Children, Disability and Equality</u>		
Child Care (Amendment) Bill	The purpose of this Bill is to revise the Child Care Act 1991 to reflect best practice developments in the sphere of child welfare and protection services and to update legislation in light of the Constitutional recognition of children as individual rights holders.	Pre-legislative scrutiny completed in June 2023. Work is ongoing.
Disability Act Amendment Bill	To adjust certain sections of Part 2 of the Disability Act relating to Assessments of Need.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment</u>		
Gas Safety (Amendment) Bill	The legislation is for a number of specific amendments to the existing Electricity Regulation Act 1999, focused on ensuring that third party operators of Liquid Petroleum Gas networks are fully incorporated into the Commission for Regulation of Utilities' regulatory regime.	Pre-legislative scrutiny completed in March 2024.
Eirgrid and ESB, Electricity Amendment Bill	To provide a mechanism to support equity injection into ESB/Eirgrid.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Culture, Communications and Sport</u>		
Media Regulation Bill	To implement the European Media Freedom Act (EMFA). In particular, the Bill will amend the media merger regime under the Competition Act, establish rules in relation to transparency of state advertising and assign a number of functions required by EMFA, primarily to the media regulator, Coimisiún na Meán.	Heads of Bill approved July 2025.
<u>Department of Defence</u>		
Defence (Amendment) Bill	The Bill will provide for the removal of the existing requirement regarding the 'Triple Lock' in relation to the despatch of the Defence Forces for service outside the State as part of an International Force. It also includes amendments to the Defence Acts to provide for the	Heads of Bill approved in March 2025.

	suspension in certain circumstances of a member of the Defence Forces and associated matters. It also sets out an amendment to the Courts-Martial Appeals Act 1983 to specify the timeframe for the submission of an appeal from a court-martial to the Court of Appeal.	
<u>Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment</u>		
Industrial Development (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	The primary purpose of the Bill is to amend the Industrial Development Act 1986 to strengthen IDA and Enterprise Ireland's provision of environmental protection aid grants and consultancy grants and it will also provide that IDA Ireland be permitted to establish jointly owned Designated Activity Companies to develop industrial and commercial property and infrastructure. This Bill also contains unrelated amendments in respect of Enterprise Ireland (re FOI) and the Health and Safety Authority (re terms for board members) and technical enabling amendments to the Dangerous Substances Act 1972 and the Chemicals Act 2008.	Heads of Bill approved in February 2025.
<u>Department of Finance</u>		
Finance Bill	Finance Bill 2025 will give legislative form to taxation proposals in Budget 2026. It will also contain provisions which are consequential on the Budget measures and a number of other changes to the taxation code.	
Conclusion of IBRC Special Liquidation and Dissolution of NAMA Bill	To effect the conclusion of the Irish Bank Resolution Corporation (IBRC) Special Liquidation and the dissolution of the National Asset Management Agency (NAMA) by the end of 2025. To implement appropriate arrangements to manage any remaining residual activity of both entities following the respective conclusion of their work mandates, including through the creation of a new Resolution Unit within the NTMA to manage any remaining residual activity from 2026 onwards.	Heads of Bill approved in July 2024. Work is ongoing.

<u>Department of Foreign Affairs</u>		
Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (Prohibition of Importation of Goods) Bill	The purpose of the Bill is to provide for compliance by the State with its international legal obligation, as identified by the International Court of Justice in its advisory opinion of 19 July 2024, to take steps to prevent trade relations that assist in the maintenance of the illegal situation created by Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory; and for that purpose to prohibit the importation of goods originating in Israeli settlements located there; and to provide for related matters.	Pre-legislative scrutiny completed July 2025.
Arbitration (Amendment) Bill	The purpose of the Bill is to amend the Arbitration Act 2010 to enable the Minister to prescribe, by Order, Investment Protection Agreements to which the State becomes a party and to provide that an arbitral award made under such prescribed Agreement may be enforced in Ireland, subject to specified safeguards. This is an essential enabling condition for the ratification of the EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and other similar Free Trade Agreements with third countries that include investment protection provisions.	Heads of Bill approved in May 2025. Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science</u>		
National Training Fund (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Act to allow certain expenditure such as research and development, core funding for higher education institutions and maintaining/resourcing educational facilities from the Fund that aligns with the purposes of the Act.	Heads of Bill approved in June 2025. Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Health</u>		
Public Health (Tobacco Products and Nicotine Inhaling	To regulate the packaging and appearance of nicotine inhaling products and refill containers of such products; to provide for restrictions in	Work is ongoing.

Products) (Amendment) Bill 2025	relation to the signage, display and advertising of nicotine inhaling products.	
Public Health (Single-Use Vapes) Bill 2025	To prohibit the sale of single-use vapes.	Work is ongoing.
Health Insurance (Amendment) Bill 2025	To amend the Health Insurance Act 1994 to specify the amount of premium to be paid from the Risk Equalisation Fund in respect of certain classes of insured persons to make a consequential amendment to the Stamp Duties Consolidation Act 1999 and to provide for related matters.	Heads of Bill are being prepared.
Health (Assisted Human Reproduction) (Amendment) Bill	To address issues related to parentage and citizenship arising from the use of fertility clinics abroad by Irish residents and Irish citizens living abroad, in addition to seeking to bring forward other required amendments to the Health (Assisted Human Reproduction) Act 2024.	Heads of Bill approved in October 2024.
Health (Amendment) (Licensing of Professional Home Support Providers) Bill	A regulatory framework comprising of primary legislation for the licensing of home support providers, secondary legislation in the form of regulations, and HIQA national standards with the aim of ensuring that all service users are provided with high quality care.	Pre-legislative scrutiny completed in May 2024. Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</u>		
Residential Tenancies (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill	The Bill is to provide, from 1 March 2026, reforms to rent regulation and tenancy protections in respect of new tenancies (i.e. first time tenancy between parties) created on/after that date. To provide for enhancements to the implementation and enforcement of the Residential Tenancies Acts 2004 to 2025 and outcomes thereunder.	Heads in preparation.
Apartment and Duplex Defects Remediation Bill	The Bill puts in place a statutory scheme to establish supports for the remediation of fire safety, structural safety and water ingress defects in purpose-built apartment buildings, including duplexes, constructed between 1991 and 2013.	Heads of Bill approved in September 2024.

Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	Amendments and additions to the Housing Acts in respect of social housing eligibility, specifically, making statutory arrangements for residency requirements; and amendments to the Building Control Acts.	Pre-legislative scrutiny completed in May 2024. Work is ongoing.
Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks (Amendment) Bill	Amendments to the Remediation of Dwellings damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks Act 2022 to provide for maximum grant payable under the Scheme and the associated square metre grant rates.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration</u>		
Garda Síochána (Recording Devices) (Amendment) Bill	To provide for retrospective searching of images which are legally in the possession of An Garda Síochána through the safe and ethical use of facial recognition technology in limited circumstances only and in relation to specific serious offences which are subject to a penalty on conviction of up to life imprisonment.	Pre-legislative scrutiny was completed in February 2024. Work is ongoing.
Garda Síochána (Powers) Bill	To codify police powers of search, arrest and detention and procedural rights of suspects through rationalising and modernising those powers, to take into account developments in modern technology, to provide clarity and transparency.	Work is ongoing.
National Cyber Security Bill	The Bill will transpose the EU Directive on measures for a high common level of cybersecurity across the Union into national law. It will incorporate provisions to establish the National Cyber Security Centre on a statutory basis and provide for related matters.	Pre-legislative scrutiny is underway.
Criminal Law and Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2025	To provide for various procedural reforms and efficiencies in the criminal justice system, including digitalisation of court documents (including warrants) and major expansion of power to conduct criminal proceedings remotely, criminalisation of the exploitative practice of seeking sex in lieu of rent, amending the law on the disclosure of counselling records in sexual offence	Heads of Bill approved in May 2025. Work is ongoing.

	trials, and curtailing the use of face coverings at public gatherings to intimidate others and evade justice.	
International Protection Bill	To implement the EU Migration and Asylum Pact.	Heads of Bill approved in April 2025. Work is ongoing.
Guardianship of Infants (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Guardianship of Infants Act 1964 to remove guardianship rights from those convicted of killing their partners or a parent of their child.	Heads of Bill approved April 2025.
Courts and Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	To provide for an increase in the maximum numbers of judges in the District Court, the Circuit Court, the High Court and the Court of Appeal. It will also provide for a number of technical amendments to the Gambling Regulation Act 2024.	Heads in preparation.
Planning and Development Act (Planning Status of State Sites) Amendment Bill	To enable a Minister of Government to regularise the planning status and/or development works at State sites at which development has taken place under the provisions of section 181(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000.	Heads of Bill approved July 2025. Work is ongoing.
Criminal Justice (International Cooperation Office) Bill	To provide for the establishment of a new criminal justice sector entity incorporating regulatory and competent authority functions to fulfil Ireland's obligations under the e-Evidence Regulation and the Legal Representative (Directive 2023/1544).	Heads of Bill approved in June 2025. Work is underway.
<u>Department of Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation</u>		
Appropriation Bill	An annual Bill to appropriate the proper supply services and purposes sums granted by the Central Fund (Permanent Provisions) Act 1965, to make provision in relation to deferred surrender to the Central Fund of certain undischarged appropriations by reference to the capital supply services and purposes as provided for by section 91 of the Finance Act 2004 and, for the purpose of maintaining a sufficient amount of moneys in the Paymaster General's supply account so as to enable the discharge of particular liabilities, to	Heads in preparation.

	make provision for repayable advances from the Central Fund.	
Civil Service Regulation and Public Service Management (Amendment) and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill	The main purpose is to amend the Civil Service Regulation Acts 1956–2005 and the Public Service Management Act 1997 to provide that disciplinary action up to and including dismissal in the Civil Service can be assigned below the level of the head of the organisation (Appropriate Authority) and other miscellaneous amendments to modernise the legislation, including the establishment of a Senior Post Remuneration Committee and certain terms and conditions for Secretaries General.	Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Social Protection</u>		
Social Welfare (Budget) Bill	To give legislative effect to measures announced on Budget Day.	Work is ongoing
<u>Department of Transport</u>		
Railway Safety Bill	To amend the statutory limits for concentration of alcohol in blood, urine and breath for a railway safety critical worker and to update procedures for sampling and testing of workers for intoxicants (alcohol, drugs) and associated procedures under the Railway Safety Act 2005. In addition, there are proposals for some updates to other provisions in the Act including some relating to functions of the Commission for Railway Regulation and an amendment of the Public Transport Regulation Act 2009.	Work is ongoing.

Legislation for Priority Drafting Autumn Session 2025

Title of Bill	Purpose of Bill	Status of Bill
<u>Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine</u>		
EU Deforestation Regulation Bill	To give effect in national law as required to EU Regulation 23/1115 to minimise the EU's contribution to global deforestation and forest degradation.	Heads in preparation.

Department of Children, Disability and Equality		
Equality and Family Leaves (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	A Bill providing for amendments to the Employment Equality and Equal Status Acts, arising from a review of the Equality legislation. This Bill will also provide for Surrogacy Leave and leave for pregnancy loss.	Pre-legislative scrutiny underway. Revised Heads in preparation.
Prohibition of Conversion Practices Bill	To advance legislation to ban conversion practices.	Heads in preparation.
Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment		
Marine Protected Areas Bill 2025	Bill to provide for the designation and effective management of Marine Protected Areas in the Irish maritime area.	Work is ongoing.
Heat (Networks and Misc. Provisions) Bill	To establish a regulatory model for district heating that ensures consumer protection and the delivery of a vibrant district heating industry, and to mandate all Public Sector buildings and facilities to connect to district heating where it is available and is technically and economically feasible.	Work is ongoing.
Renewable Heat Obligation Bill 2025	The Renewable Heat Obligation will place an obligation on the suppliers of fossil fuels used for heat to demonstrate a proportion of the energy they supply is from a renewable source.	Heads of Bill approved July 2025. Work is ongoing.
Electricity (Supply) (Amendment) Bill 2025	To amend the Electricity (Supply) Act 1927 to provide for the establishment and maintenance of forestry corridors to improve the resilience of the electricity network.	Heads of Bill approved July 2025. Work is ongoing.
Strategic Gas Emergency Reserve (Amendment) Bill 2025	To amend Gas Networks Ireland functions and introduce the required regulatory framework, to support a State led strategic gas emergency reserve.	Heads in preparation.
Department of Culture, Communications and Sport		
Irish Film Board (Amendment) Bill	This proposed Bill is to increase the limit on capital expenditure that can be advanced to Screen Ireland.	Heads in preparation.
Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill	To reform the legislative basis for the corporate governance of RTE and TG4, including assigning the C&AG as auditor of RTE and strengthening the role and duties of the RTE board, in line with the recommendations of the Expert Advisory	Revised Heads of Bill approved in April 2025. Work is ongoing.

	Committee on Governance and Culture in RTÉ, the Bill will also enhance the system of assessing the performance of RTÉ and TG4, and provide for the establishment of a statutory media fund in line with the recommendations of the Future of Media Commission.	
<u>Department of Defence</u>		
Defence (Amendment) (No.2) Bill	To amend the Defence Acts to revise the Command-and-Control structures of the Defence Forces and make other necessary changes.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Education and Youth</u>		
Education (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	Legislation to make some necessary technical amendments to education legislation relevant to transfer of functions in relation to higher and further education.	Heads in preparation.
Education (Tackling Absenteeism in Schools) Bill	Amendment to the Education (Welfare) Act 2000 to strengthen statutory supports for young children, including bringing children under 6 attending recognised primary school within its scope to ensure earlier intervention from the Education Welfare Service.	Heads in preparation.

Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment

The Regulation of Artificial Intelligence and Non-Personal Data Bill	The overarching purpose of The Data Bill is to support innovation and economic growth. It creates a harmonised framework on fair access and use of data and clarifies who can create value from data and under which conditions. It will also give full effect in Ireland to the EU Regulation on Artificial Intelligence, including the establishment of the national AI central office.	Heads in preparation.
Co-operative Societies Bill	The proposed legislation aims to place the co-operative model on a more favourable and clearer legal basis, thereby creating a level playing field with companies and encouraging the consideration of the co-operative model as an attractive formation option for entrepreneurs.	Work is ongoing.
Short-Term Letting and Tourism Bill	The Bill provides for new regulatory controls requiring short-term and holiday lets to register with Fáilte Ireland with a view to ensuring that houses are used to best effect in areas of housing need. Additionally, the Bill provides for implementing measures necessary to give effect to the Short-Term Rental Regulation (EU) 2024/1028.	Revised Heads of Bill approved in April 2025. Work is ongoing.

<u>Department of Finance</u>		
Finance (Tax Appeals and Fiscal Responsibility) Bill	To amend the Finance (Tax Appeals) Act 2015; to make provision for different grades of Appeal Commissioners; to amend the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 to revise the law concerning the making of appeals in matters of taxation; to amend the Fiscal Responsibility Act 2012; and to provide for related matters.	Heads of Bill approved in June 2024. Work is ongoing.
Finance (International Financial Institutions) Bill	To put in place the legislative authority for the Minister and the Central Bank of Ireland to contribute to the IMF Resilience and Sustainability Trust (RST) using a portion of Ireland's allocation of IMF Special Drawing Rights (SDRs). The Bill will also provide a government guarantee to the Central Bank of Ireland for the purpose of contributing to the IMF Trust and make other administrative amendments relating to Ireland's membership of international financial institutions.	Heads of Bill approved in July 2025. Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Health</u>		
Regulated Professions (Health and Social Care) (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005, the Medical Practitioners Act 2007, the Dentists Act 1985, and the Nurses and Midwives Act 2011. These amendments are intended to enable agreed Departmental policy on advanced practice for HSCPs, and on Fitness to Practice, as well as creating other internal operating efficiencies to support the regulators in fulfilling their public protection objectives.	Heads of Bill approved in September 2024. Work is ongoing.

<u>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</u>		
Planning and Development (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2025	To provide for certain technical amendments to the Planning and Development Act 2024 arising from its commencement and transition from the Planning and Development Act 2000.	Heads in preparation.
Planning and Development (Short-Term Letting) Amendment Bill	Amending sections 7 and 8 of the Planning and Development Act 2024 to decouple rent pressure zones from planning provisions for Short Term Lettings	Heads in preparation.
Housing Finance Agency (Amendment) Bill	To increase the Statutory Borrowing Limit (SBL) of the Housing Finance Agency from €12bn to €13.5bn so that it can continue to fund social and affordable housing until H1 2026 (at which time its SBL requirements for the period of the Programme for Government can be forecast, due to dependency on the NDP and National Housing Plan finalisation of delivery partner and scheme specific funding requirements).	Heads in preparation.
Energy Performance of Buildings Directive Bill	To transpose the Energy Performance of Buildings EU Directive.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration</u>		
Inspection of Places of Detention Bill	To provide for inspection of all places of detention in the Justice area including prisons, Garda stations, and courts. The Bill also provides for the appointment and functions of the Chief Inspector of Places of Detention. Enactment will enable ratification of the Optional Protocol on the Convention of Torture.	Pre-legislative scrutiny completed in March 2023. Work is ongoing.
Criminal Justice (Protection, Preservation of and Access to Data on Information Systems) Bill	To give effect to a number of the provisions of the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime, the EU e-Evidence Regulation ((EU) 2021/784) and the EU Terrorist Content Online Regulation ((EU) 2021/784)	Pre-legislative scrutiny completed in March 2024.
Life Sentences Bill	The proposed Bill will allow judges to recommend a minimum period to be served in custody before a person is released on parole, reflecting the circumstances of the case. The recommendation will go to the minimum period which should be served and will not	Heads of Bill approved in July 2024.

	give rise to a presumption towards release on its expiry.	
Criminal Justice (International Cooperation) (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Criminal Justice (International Cooperation) Act 2019 to facilitate assistance to the UK Omagh Bombing Inquiry.	Heads in preparation.
Violation of Restrictive Measures Bill	Bill to transpose EU Directive 2024/1226 on the definition of criminal offences and penalties for the violation of Union restrictive measures.	Heads of Bill approved in March 2025.
<u>Department of Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation</u>		
Ethics in Public Office Bill	Reform and consolidation of the Ethics in Public Office legislation.	Heads in preparation.
Arterial Drainage (Amendment) Bill	To transfer responsibility for the assessment and confirmation of flood relief schemes under the Arterial Drainage Act to an appropriate body.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Transport</u>		
National Vehicle and Driver File Bill	This Bill incorporates the previously separate Roads Bill and amend provisions relating to variation of speed limits and abolish the requirement to display a motor tax disc and make declarations on non-use of vehicles. It will also strengthen General Data Protection Regulations for access to vehicle and driver data and provide a legislative basis for local authorities to receive and process road collision data.	Additional Heads of Bill approved in April 2025.
Dublin Transport Authority (Amendment) Bill	The Bill is an amendment to section 44 of the Dublin Transport Authority Act 2008 to enable the National Transport Authority to provide public transport infrastructure in the regional cities, as it can currently in the Greater Dublin Area.	Heads in preparation.
Aviation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	The Bill is to address planning constraints impacting continued growth in air connectivity.	Heads in preparation.

All Other Legislation Autumn Session 2025

Title of Bill	Purpose of Bill	Status of Bill
<u>Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine</u>		
The Animal Health and Welfare Amendment Bill	To amend the 2013 Animal Health and Welfare Act to provide for changes which would give effect to recommendations relating to dog welfare from the report of the Control of Dogs Working Group.	Heads in preparation.
Fishery Harbour Centres Amendment Bill	To amend the Fishery Harbour Centres Act 1968 for the purpose of subsuming the current receipts and payments funding mechanism into the Department's Vote on foot of the recommendations of the Financial Reporting and Financial Management Review Group.	Heads in preparation.
Fisheries (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997 to update, modernise and streamline aquaculture licencing in the State; to bring the 1997 Act into compliance with EU legislation.	Heads in preparation.
Control of Horses Bill	To simplify and modernise the Control of Horses Act 1996, ensuring a cohesive national approach to enforcement powers around detention, notice and release of stray horses seized by local authorities, and related issues.	Heads in preparation.
Veterinary Practice (Amendment) Bill	To amend and update the Veterinary Practice Act 2005, as amended, which governs the regulation of the practice of Veterinary Medicine.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Children, Disability and Equality</u>		
Gender Pay Gap Information (Amendment) Bill	To clarify the legislative basis for employers to report their gender pay gap to the Minister via a central online portal.	Heads in preparation.
Standards for Equality Bodies Bill	To transpose Council Directive (EU) 2024/1499 on standards for equality bodies.	Heads in preparation.

Pay Transparency Bill	A Bill to transpose the EU Pay transparency directive.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment</u>		
Aarhus Legal Costs Bill	To extend the revised legal costs provisions of Part 9 of the Planning & Development Act 2024 to over twenty other environmental consent regimes in order to ensure a consistency of approach in all planning and environment consents.	Work is ongoing.
Direct Lines Bill	Primary legislation to amend the Electricity Regulation Act allowing for Private Wires (referring to the construction of private electricity lines) in specific circumstances.	Heads in preparation.
Hydrogen Bill	To support the transposition of EU Hydrogen and Decarbonised Gas Market Package by addressing gaps between what the Package mandates and what is required for those provisions to function in practice.	Heads in preparation.
Geothermal Energy Bill	To regulate the geothermal energy sector, introducing a licensing system for deep geothermal energy projects and expanding Ireland's understanding of its subsurface through the collection of data from geothermal developments.	Heads in preparation.
Geoscience Bill	To establish a new geoscience agency and update the minerals regulatory framework.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Culture, Communications and Sport</u>		
Communications Regulation and Digital Hub Development Agency (Amendment) Bill	To address the use of in-contract price increase clauses by electronic communications service providers to increase prices.	Heads in preparation.
Gigabit Infrastructure Bill	To provide national standing for several provisions of Regulation (EU) 2024/1309 (Gigabit Infrastructure Act) including to designate a Dispute Settlement Body and to provide for exemptions to certain provisions.	Work is underway.
Miscellaneous Provisions as relating to Postcode Operations Bill 2025.	To put in place and amend legislation to allow for the continuation of postcode operations on the expiry of current contract.	Heads in preparation.

Digital Hub Development Agency (Dissolution) Bill 2025	To put in place the legislation required to dissolve the Digital Hub Development Agency and the transfer of its lands.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Education and Youth</u>		
Education (Amendment) Bill	Purpose of the Bill is to update the powers and functions of the State Examinations Committee in the Education Acts to align with current and future operations and delivery.	Work is underway.
<u>Department of Enterprise, Tourism and Employment</u>		
Miscellaneous Provisions (Registration of Limited Partnerships and Business Names) Bill	This Bill will reform the Limited Partnerships Act 1907 and the Registration of Business Names Act 1963, strengthening Ireland's regulatory framework and the transparency of Limited Partnerships.	Heads of Bill approved in July 2024.
Registration of Trade Unions Bill	The purpose of the Bill is to modernise and consolidate the existing legislation regarding the registration requirements for trade unions.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Finance</u>		
Central Bank (Amendment) Bill 2025	To transpose certain elements of Directive (EU) 2024/1640 (the Sixth Anti-Money Laundering Directive) of relevance to the Central Bank of Ireland, through amendment to the Central Bank Reform Act 2011 and /or the Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013.	Work is ongoing.
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.	Work is ongoing.
Restrictive Measures Bill 2025	To create a mechanism by which persons would be obliged to adhere to the asset freezing requirements of certain UN Security Council Resolutions in the period prior to their incorporation in an EU legislative act, in order to meet Ireland's international obligations and prevent sanctions evasion.	Work is ongoing.
Asset Covered Securities (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Asset Covered Securities Act 2001 to facilitate the issuance of asset covered securities (covered bonds) either	Heads in preparation.

	by specialist covered bond subsidiary entities under a specialist banking model or from non-specialist credit institutions operating under a universal banking model and related matters.	
Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science		
Grangegorman Development Agency (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Act to provide for additional functions of the Grangegorman Development Agency.	Heads in preparation.
Institute for Advanced Studies (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Institute for Advanced Studies Act, 1940, to revise certain appointment provisions and to provide for related matters.	Heads in preparation.
Department of Health		
Protection of Liberty Safeguards Bill	To provide procedural safeguards to ensure that people who cannot consent to their care arrangements in relevant facilities are not unlawfully deprived of their liberty.	Work is ongoing.
The Patient Safety (Licensing) Bill	The Bill will introduce a licensing requirement for all hospitals, public and private, and certain designated high-risk activities in the community.	Work is ongoing.
Dentists (Amendment) Bill	To introduce a statutory basis for mandatory Continuous Professional Development for dentists, to make explicit the powers available to the Dental Council to evaluate all registerable programmes of training, and other technical amendments.	Work is underway.
Northern Ireland (Planned Healthcare Scheme) Bill	To introduce a statutory scheme enabling persons resident in the State to access and be reimbursed for private healthcare in Northern Ireland by the HSE, provided such healthcare is publicly available within Ireland.	Work is ongoing.
National Research Ethics Bill (NREC) Bill	The purpose of this Bill is to provide a legislative framework for National Research Ethics Committees (NREC) operating in key areas of health research.	Work is ongoing.
Health (Adult Safeguarding) Bill	To underpin a planned national policy on adult safeguarding in the health and social care sector.	Work is ongoing.

Health (Pharmacy and Prescribing) Bill	Revision of elements of the Pharmacy Act 2007 to update some provisions and enable the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland to streamline some functions (e.g. fitness to practice processes). The Bill will also seek to update legislation, subject to further legal advice, to better support the Department's eHealth strategy	Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</u>		
Strategic Environmental Assessment and Espoo Convention 2nd Amendment Bill (Kiev Protocol)	Bill to transpose the Second Amendment to the Espoo Convention and its Strategic Environmental Assessment Protocol.	Heads in preparation.
Electoral Reform (Amendment) Bill	To provide for amendments to the Electoral Reform Act 2022 to ensure it aligns with the Regulation of the European Union relating to Political Advertising and to, provide for other necessary miscellaneous amendments.	Revised Heads in preparation.
Property Services (Regulation) Amendment Bill 2025	This Bill will amend several provisions relating to the Property Services Regulatory Authority and the Property Services Appeal Board to bring them up to date.	Heads in preparation.
Land Development Agency (Amendment) Bill	To amend the governing legislation of the Land Development Agency to expand the agency's role and remit.	Heads in preparation.
Local Government (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Local Government Act 2001 to legislate for reforms and other miscellaneous local government matters.	Work is underway.
Fire Services Bill	Legislation to consolidate and update the Fire Services Act.	Work is ongoing.
Building Standards Regulatory Authority Bill	To establish a Building Standards Regulatory Authority to strengthen the oversight role of the State in respect of the design and construction of buildings and the marketing and use of construction products.	Heads in preparation.
Wildlife (Amendment) Bill	A Bill to update the Wildlife Acts as part of a general review of wildlife legislation.	Work is ongoing.

Registration (Assisted Decision-Making) (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Registration of Title Act 1964 and the Registration of Deeds and Title Act 2006 to incorporate necessary changes following a review of the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015.	Heads in preparation.
Valuation (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Valuation Act 2001 to make necessary changes to enable the National Re-evaluation Programme and to make other necessary changes.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Justice</u>		
Criminal Injuries Compensation Bill	Bill to place the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme on a statutory basis.	Heads in preparation.
Children (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Children Act 2001 to provide for alternative sanctions to fully and partly suspended sentences, including for children who will transition to adulthood while subject to a court-ordered sanction.	Heads of Bill approved in July 2024.
Civil Reform Bill	To give effect to recommendations arising from the Review of the Administration of Civil Justice.	Work is ongoing.
Communications (Retention of Data) Bill	To replace the Communications (Retention of Data) Act 2011 to reflect advances in technology and consolidate the law on retention of and access to data for national security and prevention of crime purposes.	Work is ongoing.
Criminal Justice (Community Sanctions) Bill	To provide a modern statement of the law governing community sanctions and the role of the Probation Service in the criminal justice system.	Work is ongoing.
Criminal Justice (Legal Aid) Bill	To update and strengthen the system of granting of criminal legal aid and to transfer the responsibility for the administration of the main scheme and ad-hoc schemes to the Legal Aid Board.	Pre-legislative scrutiny was completed in December 2023. Work is ongoing.
Criminal Justice (Passenger Name Record) Bill	To comply with an EU Council commitment to extend the EU Passenger Name Record Directive to internal EU flights.	Work is ongoing.

Criminal Justice (Disregard of Certain Convictions related to Consensual Sexual Activity) Bill	To establish an application-based scheme to enable the disregard of certain historical convictions relating to consensual and primarily same-sex sexual activity.	Heads in preparation.
European Investigation Order Bill	To transpose the European Investigation Order Directive. The European Investigation Order (EIO) is a judicial decision issued in or validated by the judicial authority in one EU country to have investigative measures to gather or use evidence in criminal matters carried out in another EU country.	Heads in preparation.
European Public Prosecutor's Office Bill	To make the necessary legislative changes to enable Ireland to participate in the European Public Prosecutor's Office Regulation.	Work is ongoing.
Interception of Postal Packets and Telecommunications Messages (Regulation) (Amendment) Bill	To amend various pieces of legislation in respect of electronic communications.	Work is ongoing.
International Criminal Court (Amendment) Bill	To give effect to the Kampala Amendment to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court in relation to the crime of aggression.	Work is ongoing.
Intoxicating Liquor Bill	Condensed Bill to introduce certain key reforms from the Sale of Alcohol Bill 2022.	Work is ongoing.
Irish Prison Service Bill	To establish the Irish Prison Service on a statutory basis with defined functions, and to provide for enhanced governance and oversight structures including a board and an audit committee.	Pre-legislative scrutiny was completed in December 2023. Work is ongoing.
Personal Insolvency (Amendment) Bill	To update aspects of personal insolvency legislation, following statutory review of Personal Insolvency Acts.	Work is ongoing.
Coroners Bill	Bill to reform, update, amend, consolidate and extend the law relating to coroners, coroners' investigations and inquests. To	Work is ongoing.

	provide for the establishment of an independent coronial agency to employ salaried coroners.	
Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation Bill.	Bill to transpose the Anti-SLAPP Directive in so far as it is not already provided for in the Defamation (Amendment) Bill 2024. This Bill will extend the safeguards to all civil and commercial matters as required by the Directive.	Heads in preparation.
<u>Department of Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation</u>		
Freedom of Information (Amendment) Bill	Update to the Freedom of Information legislation arising from the review of the current Act.	Work is ongoing.
Public Service Pay Bill	The Bill seeks to repeal specific provisions of the Financial Emergency Measures in the Public Interest Acts that are no longer applicable or necessary.	Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Social Protection</u>		
Transposition of eIDAS Directive Omnibus Bill	To make necessary legislative changes to provide for a digital wallet as required under the European Digital Identity Framework Regulation, which must be available to EU citizens for use on a voluntary basis for online and offline public services across the EU by December 2026.	Heads in preparation.
Civil Registration (Amendment) Bill	Amendments to further support the operation of the Civil Registration Service.	Work is ongoing.
Occupation pensions (Amendment) Bill	The Department of Social Protection is currently working, in conjunction with the Pensions Authority, to develop detailed policy and legislative proposals relating to the regulation and supervision of Master Trust pension schemes and to ensure the appropriate statutory protections are provided for these schemes.	Work is ongoing.

Social Welfare (Misc Provisions) Bill	To give effect to potential changes to provisions relating to the SAFE registration process and other technical amendments.	Work is ongoing.
<u>Department of Transport</u>		
Road Safety Authority (Amendment) Bill	To provide the required legislative amendments for the reform of the Road Safety Authority.	Work is ongoing.
Vehicle Roadworthiness Bill	To merge provisions for periodic roadworthiness inspections into a single Act and to update the existing provisions governing roadworthiness testing.	Work is ongoing.
Taxi Regulation (Amendment) Bill	To provide for amendments to the Consolidated Taxi Regulation Acts 2013 – 2016.	Heads in preparation.
Air Navigation and Transport (International Aviation Agreements) Bill	The purpose of the Bill is to provide for the offences contained within three international aviation treaties in Irish legislation – The Beijing Convention 2010, the Montreal Protocol 2014 and the Beijing Protocol 2010 – in advance of ratification.	Heads in preparation.
Merchant Shipping (International Conventions) Bill	The purpose of the Bill is to provide a legislative basis to enable the implementation of certain International Maritime Conventions at national level; to provide for the updating of existing legislation in respect of some other international maritime conventions that are already in force in the State; and to make provision for some additional miscellaneous maritime safety amendments.	Heads in preparation.
LPSV (Large Public Service Vehicles) Reform Bill	To ensure an effective licensing and regulatory framework for the LPSV sector.	Heads in preparation.
Horse-Drawn Carriages Bill	To repeal the Dublin Carriage Acts 1853-55 and relieve An Garda Síochána of responsibility for the regulation and licencing of horse-drawn carriages in Dublin; and assert the power of local	Work is ongoing.

	authorities, including Dublin City Council, to regulate horse-drawn carriages within their respective functional areas.	
Transport (Railway Infrastructure) (Amendment) Bill	To amend the Transport (Railway Infrastructure) Act 2001 to update the procedures for planning permission in line with recent changes to planning legislation. Some related amendments to the Roads Act 1993 will also be provided for.	Work is ongoing.
Road Traffic Bill	To support Programme for Government commitments around road safety and a number of actions under the Phase 2 Action Plan 2025-2027 of the Road Safety Strategy. It is also proposed that the Bill will address a number of anomalies and issues that have been identified in road traffic legislation.	Heads in preparation.

Bills currently on the Dáil and Seanad Order Paper, as of 15 September 2025

Order Paper Bills	As of 15 September 2025
Bills on Dáil Order Paper	Stage
Central Bank (Amendment) Bill 2025	Committee Stage
Proceeds of Crime and Related Matters Bill 2025	Committee Stage
Health (Amendment) Bill 2022	Committee Stage
Copyright and Related Rights (Amendment) Bill 2025	Committee Stage
Protection of Employees (Employers' Insolvency) (Amendment) Bill 2025	Committee Stage
Credit Review Bill 2024	Committee Stage
Education (Student and Parent Charter) Bill 2019	Committee Stage
Health Information Bill 2024	Committee Stage
Criminal Justice (Terrorist Offences) (Amendment) Bill 2025	Order for Report
Employment (Contractual Retirement Ages) Bill 2025	Order for Report
Údarás na Gaeltachta (Amendment) Bill 2024	Order for Report
Construction Safety Licensing Bill 2023	Order for Report
Bills on Seanad Order Paper	Stage
Mental Health Bill 2024	Order for Second Stage
Microenterprise Loan Fund (Amendment) Bill 2024	Order for Second Stage
Defamation (Amendment) Bill 2024	Committee Stage
Forty-first Amendment of the Constitution (Agreement on a Unified Patent Court) Bill 2024	Committee Stage

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1.	Ministers and Secretaries and Ministerial, Parliamentary, Judicial and Court Offices (Amendment) Bill 2025	06/02/2025
2.	Social Welfare (Bereaved Partner's Pension) Bill 2025	13/03/2025
3.	Employment (Contractual Retirement Ages) Bill 2025	01/04/2025
4.	Protection of Employees (Employers' Insolvency) (Amendment) Bill 2024	23/05/2025
5.	Finance (Local Property Tax and Other Provisions) (Amendment) Bill 2025	12/06/2025
6.	Copyright and Related Rights (Amendment) Bill 2025	13/06/2025
7.	Criminal Justice (Terrorist Offences) (Amendment) Bill 2025	13/06/2025
8.	Residential Tenancies (Amendment) Bill 2025	18/06/2025
9.	Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2025	02/07/2025
10.	Proceeds of Crime and Related Matters Bill 2025	09/07/2025
11.	Health (Amendment) Bill	11/07/2025
12.	Air Pollution (Amendment) Bill 2025	29/07/2025
13.	Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2025	18/08/2025

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1.	Ministers and Secretaries and Ministerial, Parliamentary, Judicial and Court Offices (Amendment) Act 2025 (enacted before Legislative Programme published)	21/02/2025
2.	Merchant Shipping (Investigation of Marine Accidents) Act 2025	14/04/2025
3.	Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman (Amendment) Act 2025	15/04/2025
4.	Finance (Provision of Access to Cash Infrastructure) Act 2024	20/05/2025
5.	Residential Tenancies (Amendment) Bill 2025	19/06/2025
6.	Finance (Local Property Tax and Other Provisions (Amendment) Act 2025	02/07/2025
7.	Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Act 2025	15/07/2025
8.	Social Welfare (Bereaved Partner's Pension and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2025	21/07/2025
9.	Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2025	23/07/2025
10.	Statute Law Revision Act 2025	23/07/2025

