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2. Oireachtas Questions and Debate (24-28 February 2014)

Asylum/Immigration

Other Questions: Direct Provision System (27 Feb 2014)

Denis Naughten (Roscommon-South Leitrim, Independent) Twelve months ago, the Taoiseach described the Catholic-run workhouses as the nation's shame. I am firmly of the view that the current operation of the direct provision system is the Magdalen laundries scandal of this generation. Some day, a Taoiseach will have to come before the Dáil and make a similar apology to Irish citizens whose lives have been destroyed by these modern day workhouses.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-27a.96>

Written Answers — Department of Justice and Equality: Asylum Seeker Accommodation (27 Feb 2014)

Seán Kyne (Galway West, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress being made to reduce, to as short as possible, the time spent by persons in the direct provision accommodation, particularly in view of the fact that most persons genuinely seeking asylum are dependent on the accommodation provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.32>

Education: including special needs, ECCE, minorities, disadvantage, literacy and numeracy, school staffing, school buildings, school patronage, curriculum

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Child and Family Agency Remit (25 Feb 2014)

Tommy Broughan (Dublin North East, Labour) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on the transfer of the National Education and Welfare Board from his Department to the Child and Family Agency; and to indicate the role his Department will continue to have in monitoring school attendance figures. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.96>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Early School Leavers (25 Feb 2014)

Finian McGrath (Dublin North Central, Independent) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of pupils leaving our educational system at 13 years; and the responses that are in place for early drop-outs. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.463>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Employment Rights Issues (25 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to repeal section 37(1) of the Employment Equality Act.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.390>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Teacher Training Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the training that will be provided to teachers in advance of the requirement to implement new anti-bullying policies in schools. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.387>

Topical Issue Debate: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-25a.328>

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs Early Years Strategy Implementation (27 Feb 2014)

Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her views on the number and percentage of Early Years Services that are fully compliant, as detailed in the December 2013 Health Service Executive Management Data Report; the reason she feels that the compliance rate fell in 2013; the reasons for the significant regional disparities in compliance; the reason the 2013 target for compliance was less than the outturn for 2012; and if she will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.646>

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Youth Services Funding (26 Feb 2014)

Alan Farrell (Dublin North, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to continue funding the Foróige Big Brother, Big Sister programme beyond August 2014; the source of this funding; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-26a.547>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: School Transport Administration (27 Feb 2014)

Clare Daly (Dublin North, Socialist Party) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will confirm that in view of the fact that the EU Commission are investigating the school transport contract for both State aid and procurement infringements and in view of the fact that the Public Accounts Committee are investigating payments to Bus Éireann from his Department and in view of the fact that Bus Éireann are apparently investigating themselves the reason he still accepts Bus Éireann's assurances that everything is fine with the school transport arrangement.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.270>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: School Transport Administration (26 Feb 2014)

Stephen Donnelly (Wicklow, Independent) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will give the required approval to the EU Commission to disclose all documents in the EU Commission's control in relation to its investigation of State aid to Bus Éireann and Ireland's answer to the question by EU Commission in C 31/07 Paragraph 82; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-26a.176>

Other Questions: School Transport Administration (25 Feb 2014)

Lucinda Creighton (Dublin South East, Independent) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the European Commission is likely to investigate his Department for breach of state aid rules; if he has taken any pre-emptive action by his Department regarding the school transport services administered by Bus Éireann on behalf of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-25a.101>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Schools Amalgamation (25 Feb 2014)

Billy Kelleher (Cork North Central, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the role his Department plays in schools amalgamation; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.53>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Early Years Strategy Implementation (25 Feb 2014)

Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on the final report on the Síolta quality assurance programme which he launched on 7 February last; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.61>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Special Educational Needs Staffing (25 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of resource teachers for Travellers currently employed in primary and in post-primary schools here. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.409>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Proposed Legislation (27 Feb 2014)

Brendan Griffin (Kerry South, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to progress the Down syndrome Equality of Access Bill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.239>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Education Policy (27 Feb 2014)

Tommy Broughan (Dublin North East, Labour) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 287 of 5 November 2013, if applied behavioural analysis is used in the 76 early intervention classes for children with autism provided in recognised primary and special schools; and if ABA is used in some of these classes, if he will specify the number of schools using this method. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.251>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (26 Feb 2014)

Jonathan O'Brien (Cork North Central, Sinn Fein) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the Departmental circulars that govern the use of ABA-early intervention for education for children with ASD. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-26a.190>

Other Questions: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Clare Daly (Dublin North, Socialist Party) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that children with Down's syndrome due to start school in September will be given automatic access to resource teaching hours equal to those on offer in respect of children in the low-incidence category. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-25a.124>

Other Questions: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

David Stanton (Cork East, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he has issued written policy documents or guidelines for schools regarding integrating children with special needs, in particular autism spectrum disorders, into mainstream schooling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-25a.111>

Questions - Priority Questions: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Finian McGrath (Dublin North Central, Independent) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding providing resource hours for children with Down's syndrome in mainstream schools. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-25a.27>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Colm Keaveney (Galway East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he is satisfied that children with dyslexia are receiving the help they require in school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.50>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Mick Wallace (Wexford, Independent) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to written correspondence of 24 January 2014 if he has received any advice on whether the use of isolation rooms is a breach of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, which Ireland is expected to ratify in the near future; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.123>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when schools will be informed of resource teaching allocations for low incidence special needs for the school year 2014-15. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.394>

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Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Special Educational Needs Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Finian McGrath (Dublin North Central, Independent) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will ensure that all children with IP 36 deletion receive the maximum resource teaching house in mainstream primary schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Special Educational Needs Staffing (25 Feb 2014)

Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he is satisfied regarding the availability adequate special needs teachers to meet the full requirements in the current year; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.569>

Other Questions: Schools Guidance Counsellors (25 Feb 2014)

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-25a.80>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: School Establishment (25 Feb 2014)

Seán Kyne (Galway West, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on the progress of establishing a primary level school in Galway city in the format of the Steiner model of education; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.17>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: School Patronage (25 Feb 2014)

Richard Boyd Barrett (Dún Laoghaire, People Before Profit Alliance) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans for new secondary education in Maynooth, County Kildare including patronage, denomination and the way it will link with other secondary education in the area.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.447>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Home Tuition Scheme Provision (27 Feb 2014)

Tommy Broughan (Dublin North East, Labour) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if professionals other than teachers registering with the Teaching Council in order to comply with Circular 0006/2013 home tuition scheme 2013-2014 are only permitted to be registered as such for a limited period of time. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.248>

Other Questions: Pupil-Teacher Ratio (25 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way his Department is preparing for the anticipated surge in pupil numbers at post-primary level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-25a.61>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: School Curriculum (25 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will clarify recent comments made by him at the Irish Primary Principals' Network conference suggesting that teachers could choose not to teach religion in primary schools; if he is therefore planning to make changes to time allocated to teaching religion in the curriculum in this regard; his plans to address teachers concerns regarding curriculum overload; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.64>

Child Services/ Children in Care: including foster care and social work services, HSE staffing, youth services

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Youth Services Issues (27 Feb 2014)

Catherine Murphy (Kildare North, Independent) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the work that is being done on the sustainability of the special projects for disadvantaged youths; if demographics play a part in the allocation of funding; if she is seeking increases in her budget in view of the growing youth population; and if she will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.649>

Child Abuse/Child Protection: including vetting, child abduction

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Child Protection Guidelines (25 Feb 2014)

Robert Dowds (Dublin Mid West, Labour) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will ensure that sporting organisations follow the Children First guidelines and other best practice for ensuring the rights of children are respected. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1382>

Written Answers — Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport: Sporting Organisations (25 Feb 2014)

Robert Dowds (Dublin Mid West, Labour) To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if any person-body has oversight over sporting organisations' implementation of Children First guidelines and other Government policy which affects voluntary organisations. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1712>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Residential Institutions Issues (27 Feb 2014)

Sandra McLellan (Cork East, Sinn Fein) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the redress services that are being offered by Cara Nua; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Residential Institutions Statutory Fund Establishment (25 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the application forms for the second phase of grants from the residential institutions statutory fund will be available to survivors; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.548>

Written Answers — Department of Justice and Equality: Prison Education Service (27 Feb 2014)

Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prisoners throughout the prison service who are currently in educational, up-skilling or rehabilitation programmes; the number of these who are first-time offenders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.589>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Child Protection (25 Feb 2014)

Catherine Murphy (Kildare North, Independent) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if, in view of European Court of Human Right's Judgment 027(2014), he will introduce comprehensive reforms of the funding-management model of schools to ensure a strong foundation of the sector going into the future; if he will provide details of the implications of the judgment for the current model; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.74>

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<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.123>

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Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the training that will be provided to teachers in advance of the requirement to implement new anti-bullying policies in schools. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.387>

Written Answers — Department of Education and Skills: Schools Complaints Procedures (27 Feb 2014)

Charlie McConalogue (Donegal North East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a parent who is unhappy with the handling by a school board of management of an issue regarding their child can appeal a board of managements decision to his Department; if he is considering making changes to the current provisions pertaining to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.242>

Family: including adoption

Seanad: Parental Leave Bill 2013: Committee Stage (26 Feb 2014)

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/sendebates/?id=2014-02-26a.198>

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Adoption Legislation (26 Feb 2014)

Anne Ferris (Wicklow, Labour) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the position regarding the adoption (information and tracing) Bill; the way it is envisaged that the legislation will protect the family rights and other rights, under the European Court of Human Rights and the Irish Constitution, of the thousands of adoptees, natural mothers and their broader birth families who are currently being denied the opportunity to act as natural family units due to difficulties in accessing birth and adoption records; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-26a.550>

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Adoption Legislation (26 Feb 2014)

Mary Lou McDonald (Dublin Central, Sinn Féin) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs in view of recent comments in support of adoption rights as part of her national discourse on ethics, if she will now bring forward legislation affording adopted persons automatic access to their birth certificates and files. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1391>

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Inter-Country Adoptions (25 Feb 2014)

Ann Phelan (Carlow-Kilkenny, Labour) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the reason dossiers are not being sent to India, as per the US-Mexico model, for those couples who have been approved by the Health Service Executive to adopt from India, despite that country being closed to Ireland for adoptions; if the declarations and extensions will be extended beyond two years for declarations and one year for extensions of declarations; when she expects an accredited agency will be set up for adoption from India; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1405>

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Family Support Services (25 Feb 2014)

Seán Kenny (Dublin North East, Labour) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will increase the number of family support workers in north Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1411>

Health and Wellbeing: including disability, mental health, substance misuse, primary care, health services, hospital services, obesity, sports facilities

Written Answers — Department of Health: Substance Misuse (26 Feb 2014)

Stephen Donnelly (Wicklow, Independent) To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide update on the national substance misuse strategy, with specific reference to any deliberations on the introduction of a minimum price of alcohol; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-26a.602>

Written Answers — Department of Health: Alcohol Pricing (25 Feb 2014)

Patrick O'Donovan (Limerick, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Health when he expects to introduce minimum unit pricing for alcohol; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1636>

Written Answers — Department of Health: Health Services Provision (27 Feb 2014)

Eoghan Murphy (Dublin South East, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of the allocation of resources to healthcare by county and region and by type of spending for example human resources, infrastructure and so on.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.665>

Health Identifiers Bill 2013 [Seanad]: Second Stage (Resumed) (27 Feb 2014)

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-27a.258>

Written Answers — Department of Health: Primary Care Centres Expenditure (25 Feb 2014)

John Lyons (Dublin North West, Labour) To ask the Minister for Health the total funding allocated for the roll out of primary care centres in 2014 and 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

<http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1647>

Written Answers — Department of Health: Mental Health Services Provision (27 Feb 2014)

Eoghan Murphy (Dublin South East, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of mental health services per county and region; the number of staff in each unit; their grade; the number of patients; and the total level of funding provided by region on such services over the past three years. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.672>

Written Answers — Department of Health: Mental Health Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Robert Dowds (Dublin Mid West, Labour) To ask the Minister for Health the reason there are 56 posts in child and adolescent mental health services which were sanctioned last year and have not been filled, and 15 posts which were sanctioned in 2012 which have not been filled, according to a recent Health Service Executive report. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1450>

Written Answers — Department of Health: Mental Health Services Provision (25 Feb 2014)

Tom Fleming (Kerry South, Independent) To ask the Minister for Health his plans to utilise the €50 million savings on the temporary risk equalisation scheme; if he will allocate some of these savings to mental health services to make up the deficit in funding for these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1523>

Child Benefit/Social Welfare/Poverty/Housing

Written Answers — Department of Social Protection: Carer's Allowance Eligibility (25 Feb 2014)

Brian Walsh (Galway West, Independent) To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a person is eligible for carer's allowance in the circumstances that they do not live with the child to whom they are providing care and that child is living with its parents; and whether the applicant would lose eligibility for one-parent family allowance or jobseeker's allowance in the event that they were approved for carer's allowance. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.774>

Written Answers — Department of Social Protection: Domiciliary Care Allowance Application Numbers (25 Feb 2014)

Aengus Ó Snodaigh (Dublin South Central, Sinn Féin) To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide a table showing the number of domiciliary care allowance applications granted and refused; and the average length of time it took to process those applications each month for the past two years. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.823>

Written Answers — Department of Finance: Banking Sector Issues (25 Feb 2014)

Pearse Doherty (Donegal South West, Sinn Fein) To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the practice of a bank refusing to consider loan applications from anybody benefiting from the family income supplement; his views on whether this practice is arbitrary and discriminatory; and his further views on whether it is in line with best practice and regulations set down by the Central Bank of Ireland. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.245>

Written Answers — Department of Social Protection: One-Parent Family Payment Eligibility (25 Feb 2014)

Tommy Broughan (Dublin North East, Labour) To ask the Minister for Social Protection the numbers of recipients of the one parent family payment affected by the phasing out of their payments based on the age of their children in the years 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015; and if he will report on the way transitional measures put in place for recipients of one parent family payment moving to other social welfare payments have been working in practice. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.759>

Justice Issues/ Human Rights/Equality

Written Answers — Department of Justice and Equality: Criminal Prosecutions Issues (26 Feb 2014)

Anne Ferris (Wicklow, Labour) To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the head of Child and Family Agency's suggestion that criminal records be wiped at 18 except for the most serious offences; if officials in his Department have considered proposals along these lines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-26a.473>

Written Answers — Department of Justice and Equality: Equality Proofing of Policies (25 Feb 2014)

Eoghan Murphy (Dublin South East, Fine Gael) To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality to set out his plans regarding section 37 of the Employment Equality Act; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-25a.1126>

Written Answers — Department of Justice and Equality: Proposed Legislation (27 Feb 2014)

Noel Grealish (Galway West, Independent) To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has an update on, or an indicative timescale for, when the landlord and tenant Bill, as shown in the current legislative programme, will be published; if it is intended to deal with both commercial and private landlord/tenant relationships; if he will indicate the nature of the heads of the Bill which have been agreed, or the areas and issues which will be covered in the Bill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.549>

Written Answers — Department of Children and Youth Affairs: Juvenile Offenders (27 Feb 2014)

Catherine Murphy (Kildare North, Independent) To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs in view of the the cost of keeping juvenile offenders in custody, if she is working with the Department of Justice on additional measures over and above the Garda Youth Diversion Projects; if so, if she will outline same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.653>

Written Answers — Department of Justice and Equality: Irish Council for Civil Liberties Report (27 Feb 2014)

Colm Keaveney (Galway East, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he agrees with the assertion in a recent Irish Council for Civil Liberties study (details supplied) that persons with disabilities who are victims of crime remain largely invisible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2014-02-27a.64>

Other

Other Questions: Capital Programme Expenditure (26 Feb 2014)

Éamon Ó Cuív (Galway West, Fianna Fail) To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the gross voted expenditure for 2006; the estimated gross voted expenditure for 2014; the major increases and decreases in the Votes across Departments for those years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. <http://www.kildarestreet.com/debates/?id=2014-02-26a.620>

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