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Citizens’ Assemblies Act 2019
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Electoral Act 1992 (No. 23)
An Act to provide for the access and use of information contained in the register of electors established under the Electoral Act 1992 for the purpose of selecting citizens of Ireland to be members of certain citizens’ assemblies; and to provide for matters connected therewith. [23rd July, 2019]

Be it enacted by the Oireachtas as follows:

Use of information contained in register of electors

1. (1) The information (including information not contained in the edited register) contained in the register of electors may be accessed and used for the purpose of selecting citizens of Ireland to be members of each of the bodies established—

(a) pursuant to a decision of the Government made on 11 June 2019 (each such body having been described by that decision as a citizens’ assembly), and

(b) in accordance with resolutions of Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann passed before, on or after the commencement of this Act.

(2) Subsection (3) of section 13A of the Act of 1992 shall not apply to the use of information in the register of electors in accordance with this section.

(3) In this section—


“edited register” has the meaning assigned to it by Part II of the Act of 1992;

“register of electors” means—

(a) the register within the meaning of Part II of the Act of 1992,

(b) any draft register within such meaning, or

(c) the supplement to the said register prepared under section 15 of that Act.

Short title and commencement

2. (1) This Act may be cited as the Citizens’ Assemblies Act 2019.

(2) This Act shall come into operation on such day or days as the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government may appoint by order or orders either generally or with reference to any particular purpose or provision and different days may be so appointed for different purposes or provisions.