

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

S.I. No. 14 of 2017

OIREACHTAS (ALLOWANCES) (MEMBERS AND HOLDERS OF PARLIAMENTARY AND CERTAIN MINISTERIAL OFFICES) ORDER 2017

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The Government, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 3 (as amended by section 39 of the Ministerial, Parliamentary and Judicial Offices and Oireachtas Members (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2001 (No. 33 of 2001) ("Act of 2001") and section 8(5) of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission Act 2003 (No. 28 of 2003)), 3A (inserted by section 40 of the Act of 2001), 4 and 8 (as amended by section 43 of the Act of 2001) of the Oireachtas (Allowances to Members) and Ministerial, Parliamentary, Judicial and Court Offices (Amendment) Act 1998 (No. 5 of 1998)), hereby order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Oireachtas (Allowances) (Members and Holders of Parliamentary and Certain Ministerial Offices) Order 2017.

2. There is payable to a member of Dáil Éireann who holds or held a position in Dáil Éireann specified in column (2) of Schedule 1 at any reference number, an allowance, in respect of the member's duties as holder of that position, annually at the rate specified in column (3) of that Schedule opposite that reference number, in respect of any period, beginning on or after 10 March 2016, during which the member held that position.

3. There is payable to a member of Seanad Éireann who holds or held a position in Seanad Éireann, specified in column (2) of Schedule 2 at any reference number, an allowance, in respect of the member's duties as holder of that position, annually at the rate specified in column (3) of that Schedule opposite that reference number, in respect of any period, beginning on or after 25 April 2016, during which the member held that position.

4. There is payable to a member of Dáil Éireann who holds or held a position as a member of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission an allowance in respect of the member's duties as holder of that position, at the rate of $\in 8,740$ annually, in respect of any period, beginning on or after 1 July 2016, during which the member held that position.

5. There is payable to a member of Seanad Éireann who holds or held a position as a member of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission an allowance in respect of the member's duties as holder of that position, at the rate of \notin 5,989 annually, in respect of any period, beginning on or after 7 July 2016, during which the member held that position.

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in "Iris Oifigiúil" of 27th January, 2017.

- 6. There is payable to—
 - (a) Finian McGrath, Minister of State at-
 - (i) the Department of Social Protection,
 - (ii) the Department of Justice and Equality, and
 - (iii) the Department of Health,

and

- (b) Paul Kehoe, Minister of State at—
 - (i) the Department of the Taoiseach, and
 - (ii) the Department of Defence,

for any period beginning on or after 6 May 2016, as the holders of those offices, respectively, who regularly attend meetings of the Government, an annual allowance at the rate of €15,829.

7. There is payable to a member of the Oireachtas who holds or held the position of chairperson of an Oireachtas Committee specified in Schedule 3 at any reference number, an allowance, in respect of the member's duties as holder of that position, annually at the rate specified in column (3) of that Schedule opposite that reference number, in respect of any period, beginning on or after 20 April 2016, during which the member held that position.

- 8. The following are revoked:
 - (*a*) the Oireachtas (Allowances) (Members and Holders of Parliamentary and Certain Ministerial Offices) Order 2011 (S.I. No. 347 of 2011);
 - (b) the Oireachtas (Allowances) (Chairpersons of Oireachtas Committees and Certain Ministers of State) Order 2015 (S.I. No. 12 of 2015).

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

Reference number (1)	Position in Dáil Éireann (2)	Rate of annual allowance (3)
1.	Government Whip	€15,829
2.	Assistant Government Whip	€13,800
3.	Fianna Fáil Party Whip	€17,480
4.	Sinn Féin Party Whip	€9,200
5.	Anti-Austerity Alliance/People Before Profit Party Whip	€5,520
6.	Labour Party Whip	€5,520
7.	Independents 4 Change Party Whip	€5,520
8.	Social Democrats Party Whip	€5,520
9.	Green Party Whip	€5,520
10.	Fine Gael Party Assistant Whip	€8,740
11.	Fianna Fáil Party Assistant Whip	€8,740
12.	Labour Party Assistant Whip	€2,760
13.	Sinn Féin Party Assistant Whip	€4,600

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SCHEDULE 2

Article 3

Reference number (1)	Position in Seanad Éireann (2)	Rate of annual allowance (3)
1.	Deputy Leader of the House	€5,989
2.	Government Whip	€2,682
3.	Assistant Government Whip	€792
4.	Fianna Fáil Group Leader	€5,989
5.	Independents Group Leader	€2,682
6.	Sinn Féin Group Leader	€2,682
7.	Civil Engagement Group Leader	€2,682
8.	Labour Group Leader	€2,682
9.	Fianna Fáil Group Whip	€2,682
10.	Independents Group Whip	€792
11.	Sinn Féin Group Whip	€792
12.	Civil Engagement Group Whip	€792
13.	Labour Group Whip	€792

SCHEDULE 3

Article 7

Reference Number (1)	Committee (2)	Rate of annual allowance (3)
1.	Committee of Public Accounts	€8,740
2.	Select Committee on Members Interests (Dáil Éireann)	€8,740
3.	Select Committee on Members Interests (Seanad Éireann)	€0
4.	Joint Committee on Agriculture, Food and the Marine	€8,740
5.	Joint Committee on Children and Youth Affairs	€8,740
6.	Joint Committee on Communications, Climate Action and Environment	€8,740
7.	Joint Committee on Education and Skills	€8,740
8.	Joint Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, and Taoiseach	€8,740
9.	Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Defence	€8,740
10.	Joint Committee on Health	€8,740
11.	Joint Committee on Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government	€8,740
12.	Joint Committee on Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation	€8,740
13.	Joint Committee on Justice and Equality	€8,740
14.	Joint Committee on Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs	€8,740
15.	Joint Committee on Social Protection	€8,740
16.	Joint Committee on Transport, Tourism and Sport	€8,740
17.	Joint Committee on European Union Affairs	€8,740
18.	Joint Committee on the Implementation of the Good Friday Agreement	€8,740
19.	Joint Committee on the Irish Language, Gaeltacht and the Islands	€8,740
20.	Joint Committee on Public Petitions	€8,740
21.	Select Committee on Budgetary Oversight	€8,740
22.	Select Committee on the Future of Healthcare	€8,740
$\overline{23}$.	Standing Order 112 Select Committee	€8,740
24.	Select Committee on Housing and Homelessness	€8,740
25.	Select Committee on Arrangements for Budgetary Scrutiny	€8,740
26.	British-Irish Parliamentary Assembly (formerly the British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body)	€8,740



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ENDA KENNY, Taoiseach.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation)

The annual rates specified in this Order are the current rates applicable following the reductions to remuneration applied from 1 July 2013 under the Financial Emergency Measures in the Public Interest Act 2013 and will be subject to the provisions of the Financial Emergency Measures in the Public Interest Act 2015 in due course. BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH ARNA FHOILSIÚ AG OIFIG AN tSOLÁTHAIR Le ceannach díreach ó FOILSEACHÁIN RIALTAIS, 52 FAICHE STIABHNA, BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH 2 (Teil: 01 - 6476834 nó 1890 213434; Fax: 01 - 6476843) nó trí aon díoltóir leabhar.

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