

123 NEW LAWS >>>>

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DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE

6 NEW LAWS

1

Jennie's Law - creates a publicly accessible register of domestic violence convictions.

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Valerie's Law - removes and restricts guardianship rights from a parent who kills the other parent.

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New laws to outlaw **Sex for Rent**

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New laws to establish a presumption of **non-disclosure of counselling notes** in criminal trials

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New laws to eradicate historical convictions of gay men who engaged in consensual sexual activity

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New laws to permit a court to refuse Bail where a person is charged with coercive control

CRIME & POLICING

PART 1

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Firearms & Offensive Weapons Act - Gardaí can seize lawfully held firearms where public safety is at risk.

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E-Evidence Act - allows sharing of digital evidence between EU states.

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New laws to require all character references in serious criminal cases must be sworn and open to cross-examination

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New laws to allow Gardai to direct people to remove face coverings used to intimidate others

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Terrorist Offences Act - targets those who incite terrorism.



CRIME & POLICING

PART 2

12 **International Criminal Court Act** - recognises the crime of aggression in Irish law.

13 **Recording Devices Act** - allows Gardaí to use facial recognition technology.

14 **Social Welfare Act** - enables a unique identifier in the criminal justice system.

15 **Drugs Act** - to permit certificates from Forensic Science Ireland to be used as evidence in drugs trials.

16 **Passenger Name Record Law** - allows data use to prevent, detect and prosecute terrorism and serious crime.



PRISONS & COURTS

4 NEW LAWS

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Prisons Act - allows prison officers to use pepper spray if necessary.

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Community Service Act - allows up to 480 hours of community service instead of imprisonment.

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New laws to permit the use of electronic technology and statements of truth

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Criminal Legal Aid Regulations - to speed up minor offences in the District Court.



MIGRATION, NORTHERN IRELAND & LAW REFORM

3 NEW LAWS

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Asylum Act - strengthens Ireland's asylum laws.

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Legacy Act - enables the Irish State to fully co-operate with the Omagh Bombing Inquiry.

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Multi-Unit Developments Act - transfers functions for the Act to the Minister for Housing.

