



**TWENTY-NINTH AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION
BILL 2009**

As initiated

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section

1. Amendment of the Constitution.
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PART 1

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entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION. 5

WHEREAS by virtue of Article 46 of the Constitution, any provision of the Constitution may be amended in the manner provided by that Article:

AND WHEREAS it is proposed to amend the Constitution:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS 10
FOLLOWS:

Amendment of the
Constitution.

1.—The Constitution is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) section 5 of the Irish text of Article 35 shall be repealed,
- (b) section 5 of the English text of Article 35 shall be repealed,
- (c) the section the text of which is set out in *Part 1* of the 15
Schedule shall be inserted after section 4 of the Irish text
of Article 35,
- (d) the section the text of which is set out in *Part 2* of the
Schedule shall be inserted after section 4 of the English
text of Article 35. 20

Citation.

2.—(1) The amendment of the Constitution effected by this Act shall be called the Twenty-ninth Amendment of the Constitution.

(2) This Act may be cited as the Twenty-ninth Amendment of the Constitution Act 2009.

SCHEDULE

PART 1

Airteagal 35.5

Ní cead laghdú a dhéanamh ar thuarastal breithimh an fad is a bheidh sé in oifig ach amháin sa chás gur gá é chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar bhagairt thromaí ar gheilleagar an Stáit, go bhfuil riachtanas dosháraithe ann airgeadas an Stáit a chobhsú agus, dá bharr sin, gur gá laghdú a chur i gcrích ar thuarastal na seirbhíse poiblí; in imthosca den sórt sin, féadfar aon laghdú ar thuarastal gach seirbhísigh phoiblí nó ar thuarastal aicme de sheirbhísigh phoiblí a chur i bhfeidhm chun laghdú inchomparáide a chur i gcrích ar thuarastal gach comhalta den bhreithiúnacht. 5 10

PART 2

Article 35.5

The remuneration of a judge shall not be reduced during his continuance in office save where it is necessary to address a serious threat to the State's economy, there is a compelling need to stabilise the State's finances and as a consequence it is necessary to effect a reduction in public service remuneration; in such circumstances any reduction in the remuneration of all public servants or in the remuneration of a class of public servants may be applied to effect a comparable reduction in the remuneration of all members of the judiciary. 15 20