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**AN BILLE UM AN AONÚ LEASÚ IS FICHE AR AN  
mBUNREACTH, 1999  
TWENTY-FIRST AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION  
BILL, 1999**

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**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

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*Purpose of Bill*

This Bill seeks to ensure that the public will be consulted by way of Referendum should the Government decide to join a military body or alliance.

At present there is no provision in the Constitution to consult the people on this issue.

*Na Teachtaí John Gormley agus Trevor Sargent,  
Meán Fómhair, 1999.*