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ACTS REFERRED TO

Employment Equality Act 1998 (No. 21)

Equal Status Act 2000 (No. 8)



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# Bill

*entitled*

An Act to amend the Employment Equality Act 1998 and the Equal Status Act 2000 by prohibiting discrimination on the basis of a person’s social and economic background; and to provide for related matters. 5

**Be it enacted by the Oireachtas as follows:**

## **Definitions**

1. In this Act— 10
- “Act of 1998” means the Employment Equality Act 1998, as amended;
- “Act of 2000” means the Equal Status Act 2000, as amended.

## **Amendment of section 2 of Act of 1998**

2. Section 2 of the Act of 1998 is amended in subsection (1) by the insertion of the following after the definition of “disability”: 15
- “ ‘Disadvantaged socio-economic status’ means a socially identifiable status of social or economic disadvantage resulting from poverty, level or source of income, homelessness, place of residence, or family background;”.

## **Amendment of section 6 of Act of 1998**

3. Section 6 of the Act of 1998 is amended in subsection (2) by the insertion of the following after paragraph (i): 20
- “(j) that one has a disadvantaged socio-economic status and the other has not (in this Act referred to as “the socio-economic ground”).”.

## **Amendment of section 2 of Act of 2000**

4. Section 2 of the Act of 2000 is amended in subsection (1) by the insertion of the following after the definition of “disability”: 25
- “ ‘Disadvantaged socio-economic status’ means a socially identifiable status of social or economic disadvantage resulting from poverty, level or source of income, homelessness, place of residence, or family background;”.

**Amendment of section 3 of Act of 2000**

5. Section 3 of the Act of 2000 is amended in subsection (2) by the insertion of the following after paragraph (j):

“(k) that one has a disadvantaged socio-economic status and the other has not (the “socio-economic ground”).”.

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**Short title, collective citation and commencement**

6. (1) This Act may be cited as the Equality (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2017.
- (2) The Employment Equality Act 1998, as amended and *sections 2* and *3* may be cited together as the Employment Equality Acts 1998 to 2017.
- (3) The Equal Status Act 2000, as amended and *sections 4* and *5* may be cited together as the Equal Status Acts 2000 to 2017. 10
- (4) This Act shall come into operation on such day or days as the Minister for Justice and Equality may appoint by order.



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Ilghnéitheacha), 2017

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# BILLE

*(mar a tionscnaíodh)*

*dá ngairtear*

Acht do leasú an Achta um Chomhionannas Fostaíochta, 1998 agus an Achta um Stádas Comhionann, 2000 trí thoirmeasc a chur le hidirdhealú ar bhonn cúlra sóisialta agus eacnamaíoch duine; agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

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*Na Teachtaí Séamus Ó Ceallacháin agus Fiona Ní  
Lochlainn a thug isteach,  
27 Meitheamh, 2017*

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*Introduced by Deputies Jim O'Callaghan and Fiona  
O'Loughlin,  
27th June, 2017*

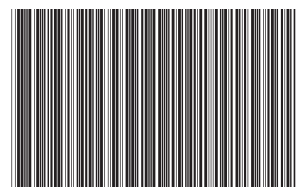
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