

An Coimisiún
Reifrinn



Referendum
Commission

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Ms Gina Long
Finance Officer
Houses of the Oireachtas Commission
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

Dear Ms Long,

At its meeting this morning the Referendum Commission established for the Seanad Abolition Referendum noted that it had received a number of requests for details of the costs of running Seanad Éireann and for details of the savings which might accrue in the medium to long term should the proposal to abolish the Seanad be accepted by the people on 4 October 2013.

The Referendum Commission understands that the Houses of the Oireachtas Service may have some estimates in relation to these costs and the Chairperson of the Commission, Ms Justice Elizabeth Dunne, has asked me to write to you to request that these costs be published on the Oireachtas website. The Commission believes that this information could constitute useful information for the voting public.

Yours sincerely,

David Waddell
Commission Secretary

cc Mr Michael Errity, Assistant Secretary, Corporate and Members' Services Division

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