

Briefing to Ministers – extract [remainder redacted - out of scope]

Timetable

11. [redacted s36] introduction of the Bill on 16 December was no longer feasible and the Minister for Parliamentary Business agreed to delay introduction to 1 February 2022, with the pre-introduction period beginning 11 January 2022. The Minister for Community Safety is seeking an expedited parliamentary timetable to allow the Bill to pass through Parliament before summer recess 2022, which would enable the proxy purchasing offence to commence in advance of the bonfire season next year. The licensing and firework control zone provisions will require secondary legislation and will therefore not commence until late 2023 at the earliest. [redacted s36] Secondary legislation will also be required in relation to the prohibition of pyrotechnic articles at designated places or events, which means that this provision will not commence until early 2023. Officials are engaging with Committee Clerks to determine the feasibility of this timetable. **You are invited to note the revised timetable for implementation of the measures included within the Bill.**