

Press Release

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An Coimisinéir Teanga, Seán Ó Cuirreáin has welcomed the arrangements made by the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht to review the Official Languages Act, 2003.

He said that the public were being afforded an historic opportunity between now and 31 January 2012 to put proposals to the Department to ensure the provision of an Act fit for purpose which serves the wishes of the Irish language community in an appropriate manner and which gives meaning to the constitutional provision that Irish is the first official language as it is the national language.

Full information in relation to the review, including a survey and an opportunity to make submissions to the Department, in Irish or in English, is available on the Department's website on the following link:

<http://www.ahg.gov.ie/en/Irish/OfficialLanguagesAct2003/>

An Coimisinéir Teanga's own recommendations, published on 05 July 2011, are available on this link:

[http://www.coimisineir.ie/downloads/REVIEWOFTHEOFFICIALLANGUAGESACT\\_CT\\_OfficeofAnCoimisineirTeanga.pdf](http://www.coimisineir.ie/downloads/REVIEWOFTHEOFFICIALLANGUAGESACT_CT_OfficeofAnCoimisineirTeanga.pdf)

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