Bill No. 4

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Statute Ch I of 2016 consolidated and replaced Chapter VI of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland. Following this, amendment of Chapters IV and XIV is required to ensure that all cross-references to Chapter VI are correct.

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BILL

To amend Chapter IV and Chapter XIV of the Constitution

WHEREAS Statute Chapter I of 2016 amended Chapter VI of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland;

AND WHEREAS in consequence of the amendments and consolidations of Chapter VI it is necessary to amend Chapter IV and Chapter XIV of the said Constitution;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops, and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Limerick in the year 2017 and by the authority of the same as follows:

- 1. In this Statute "Chapter IV" means Chapter IV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland and "Chapter XIV" means Chapter XIV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
- 2. In Section 13 (2) of Chapter IV, for the words "or has failed to meet its liabilities under section 35 of Chapter VI of the Constitution" there shall be substituted the words "or has failed to meet its liabilities under section 38 of Chapter VI of the Constitution".
- 3. In Section 13 (2) of Chapter IV, for the words "section 35 of Chapter XIV of the Constitution" there shall be substituted "sections 8 and 36 of Chapter XIV of the Constitution".
- 4. For section 31 (1) (b) of Chapter VI there shall be substituted the following "a decision of the Church Panel as defined in section 34 of this Chapter or a judgment of the Court of General Synod under section 34 of this Chapter or an order made by a Disciplinary Tribunal under section 33 (d) (v) or (vi) of Chapter VIII or an order made by an Appeal Tribunal under section 36 of Chapter VIII, or"

- 5. In Section 68 of Chapter XIV, for the words "Section 25 of Chapter VI" there shall be substituted the words "Section 28 of Chapter VI".
- 6. In Section 69 of Chapter XIV, for the words "Section 27 (2) of Chapter VI" there shall be substituted the words "Section 30 (2) of Chapter VI".
- 7. In section 71 of Chapter XIV, for the words "Section 26 (3) of Chapter VI" there shall be substituted the words "Section 29 (3) of Chapter VI" in both occurrences.
- 8. In section 77 of Chapter XIV, for the words "Section 25 of Chapter VI" there shall be substituted "Section 28 of Chapter VI".
- 9. In Section 78 of Chapter XIV, for the words "Section 27 (2) of Chapter VI" there shall be substituted "Section 30 (2) of Chapter VI".
- 10. In Section 79 of Chapter XIV, for the words "Section 26 (3) of Chapter VI" there shall be substituted "Section 29 (3)" in both occurrences.