

Bill No. 1 2025

Proposer's Speech

Rev. Canon Malcolm Kingston

The purpose of this bill is a simple one: to amend the General Synod representation table in Chapter I of the Constitution to reflect the amalgamation of the Diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achonry with the Diocese of Limerick and Killaloe, as prescribed in Statute III of 2019. The proposed amendment removes the rows in the Table for the two aforementioned previous dioceses and adds in a new row for the Diocese of Tuam, Limerick and Killaloe, with the previous representation numbers for the two dioceses added together. It is important to note that this proposal does not alter the representation numbers for the new diocese, and that, as per the Constitution, no review of Synod representation numbers will take place until the first year of the triennium beginning in 2030, with any changes not coming into effect until 2033.