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Clerk to the Committee

Date: 18th October 2021

To: Emer Boyle

Clerk to the Committee on Procedures

Subject: Inquiry into Legislative Consent Motions

Dear Emer,

Further to your memo of 1st October regarding the above, this was considered by the Economy Committee at its meeting on 6th October.

Members endorsed the comments made by the Justice Committee, and agreed to add that Legislative Consent Motions are never an ideal option for the Assembly as they take control out of the hands of locally elected representatives on issues that are within the Assembly's competence.

Apologies for the late return, I appreciate that the deadline for response was 14th October; however, I hope that the Committee's views can be reflected in the Inquiry report.

Regards,

Peter Hall

Clerk to the Committee for the Economy