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**From: Kathy O'Hanlon, Clerk to the Committee for Justice**  
**Date: 20 June 2025**  
**To: Peter Hall, Clerk to the Committee for Finance**  
**Subject: Deaths, Still-Births and Baby Loss Bill**

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Dear Peter

At its meeting on 12 June 2025, the Committee for Justice considered your correspondence of 23 May 2025 regarding the Deaths, Still-Births and Baby Loss Bill call for evidence.

The Committee is currently undertaking Committee Stage scrutiny of the Justice Bill, which includes consideration of retention periods for biometric data. The Committee agreed to highlight to the Finance Committee the importance of ensuring that the necessary checks and balances are in place in respect of the handling and retention of sensitive data when considering the Deaths, Still-Births and Baby Loss Bill.

If you require any further information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Kind regards**

**Kathy O'Hanlon**  
**Clerk to the Committee for Justice**