

Bill No. 4
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The Commission on Ministry have noted that from time-to-time announcements of appointments to parishes have appeared on social media before any other candidates who may have been considered for the position, are informed. The Commission feels it is good practice, in all forms of life, to inform candidates, who have not been selected to an appointment, in as timely a fashion as possible and before a public announcement is made.

Any formal announcement should be made firstly by, or on behalf of, the Bishop of the diocese.

This Bill updates the methods of communication that a Bishop may use to communicate with the candidates and also ensures that the candidate formally accepts the nomination within an appropriate timeframe as determined by the Bishop.

The Commission therefore bring this Bill before you today.