

Bill No 5

Explanatory Memorandum

An anomaly has come to the notice of the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod relating to Chapter VI which deals with Archbishops and Bishops.

Chapter VI, section 39 of the Constitution at present reads as follows:

- 39.** Rules for carrying the provisions of this Chapter into effect may be framed from time to time in manner provided by Chapter VIII, section 52.

The reference to section 52 in the above is an error as there is no Chapter VIII, section 52. It should read Chapter VIII, section 11 which deals with the powers of the Rules Committee of Ecclesiastical Tribunals.

This bill seeks to correct the anomaly.

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BILL

To amend Chapter VI of the Constitution

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the provisions of Chapter VI of the Constitution in order to correct an anomaly;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2013, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. In this Statute, “Chapter VI” means Chapter VI of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
2. For section 39 in Chapter VI there shall be substituted:
 - 39.** Rules for carrying the provisions of this Chapter into effect may be framed from time to time in manner provided by Chapter VIII, section 11.