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14th December 2020

Dear Deputy Gannon

Re: PQ 40508/20

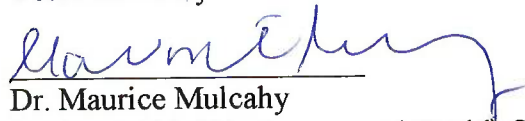
To ask the Minister for Health if retailers that have failed to meet the 12 November 2020 deadline for the structural separation of alcohol under the public health legislation have been contacted regarding their failure to meet the deadline; the steps he now plans to take; and if he plans to instruct the HSE to take prosecutions under the legislation.

Response:

The HSE Environmental Health Service (EHS) can confirm that it has been implementing and enforcing Section 22 of the Public Health Alcohol Act 2018 since its commencement on November 12th 2020 and has been actively engaging with businesses towards ensuring compliance with this important public health provision. The EHS is investigating all complaints/concerns received and is undertaking programmed inspections of mixed retailers in all counties. Where appropriate, sanctions in relation to non-compliances are being initiated.

Due date; 15th December 2020

Yours sincerely



Dr. Maurice Mulcahy
Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer