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## RE PQ 13458/20

## Question

To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to instances in which the HSE has contracts with medical device companies that went out of business, but due to the nature of the contract hospitals cannot acquire new medical devices and have to persevere with devices which are obsolete, damaged or pay disproportionate amounts of money for their repair which often ends up being well in excess of the cost of a new device or machine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Louise O'Reilly

## Response

Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

This question is very broad and does not provide sufficient detail to enable us to respond. We have checked with all our procurement leads and none are aware of any specific examples. If the Deputy wishes to provide further detail then we would be better placed to comment.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Head of Procurement on (01) 635 2251 or via <a href="mailto:ohop@hse.ie">ohop@hse.ie</a>.

Yours sincerely,

[sent by email and accordingly bears no signature]