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**PQ 58390/21**

**"To ask the Minister for Health the reason women, who were previously married, but subsequently obtained a divorce, are being asked to secure the signature of their divorced partner when they attempt to register the birth of a child with their new partner." – Louise O'Reilly**

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (PQ 58390/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The subject of this question is legislative and would need to be addressed and responded to by the General Registrar Office (GRO).

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Aisling Heffernan".

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Aisling Heffernan  
Head of Service, Health & Wellbeing