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Deputy Colm Burke Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

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Dear Deputy Burke

RE: PQ1741/22 To ask the Minister for Health if he will confirm that he will instruct the Commission for Public Service Appointments to conduct an immediate audit on the recruitment of qualified paramedics for the National Ambulance Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Colm Burke

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of theabove Parliamentary Question, submitted by you to the Minister for Health. This matter hasbeen referred to me for response on behalf of the HSE.

The recruitment of Paramedics for the HSE is conducted by the HSE's National Recruitment Service (NRS). The NRS has a robust process in place for all recruitment activity including such campaigns for the National Ambulance Service and ensure that policies and practices comply with the Code of Practice from the Commission for Public Service Appointments. The NRS also ensures that appropriate procedures are in place to assure quality in the selection and appointment process and the effectiveness of assessment processes which are reviewed and evaluated regularly.

The Commission for Public Service Appointments is the principal regulator of recruitment and selection in the Irish public service and is wholly independent from the HSE.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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