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Mr. Richard Boyd Barrett T.D.

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PQ 35406/24: To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware that Section 39 workers who are funded by his Department were excluded from the pay restoration agreement between the WRC and the HSE and therefore have not received said pay restoration; if he commits to ensuring that Section 39 workers funded by his Department receive pay restoration; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent Parliamentary Question which was sent to the HSE for response.

A WRC agreement reached in November 2023 saw an increase in funding for pay of staff in section 39 organisations, as well as section 10 and section 56 organisations. An overall phased increase of 8% was agreed, with an initial increase of 3% backdated to April 2023, a 2% increase from 1 November 2023 and a further increase that came into effect on 1 March 2024.

All employers who are funded through Section 39 grant aid were included in the restoration. However, those that funded as a result of a tender or in receipt of funding not through Section 39 grant aid (or section 10 and section 56 organisations), are not encompassed by the WRC agreement.

I trust this is of some assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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