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## **Dail Question No: 52**

To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update on the implementation of the Irish Sign Language Act 2017 (ISL) within his Department and its associated public bodies, including details of any ISL strategies that have been developed; and if no ISL strategy has been developed to date, the details of plans his Department has to address this gap in the near future.

Deputy Sherlock,

The Irish Aviation Authority is aware of its responsibilities regarding the Irish Sign Language Act 2017.

Since our merger in 2023, we have not received any requests for Irish Sign Language interpretation from those seeking to avail of or access statutory entitlements or services provided by ourselves.

The Irish Aviation Authority has appointed an Access Officer in accordance with the Section 26 of Disability Act 2005. The Access Officer is responsible for providing or arranging for, and co-ordinating assistance and guidance, to persons with disabilities accessing services provided by the offices and generally to act as a point of contact for people with disabilities wishing to access such services.

Contact details are available here.

Yours Sincerely,

Ciara O' Grady