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Dear Deputy

RE: PQ50345/23 To ask the Minister for Health whether the signing of the annual pension allowance declaration form under the Appropriation Act 1962 and relevant pension scheme rules is necessary for those over 65 years until a claimant's death; whether a notice could instead be sent to the applicants advising them of the need to contact the HSE if circumstances change; if he accepts that seeking clarification from people in their 70s and 80s as to whether they are working is unfair; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Brendan Griffin

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

The Health Service Executive(HSE) have an obligation to periodically contact all pensioners who are in receipt of a pension from the public purse to check that they still have an entitlement to same. We are also obliged to remind pensioners of their obligation to notify us in relation to changes in their circumstances that may impact their ongoing entitlement to pension i.e. if they have returned to work in the public sector etc.

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

Yours sincerely

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