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All Acts up to and including the *Employment (Contractual Retirement Ages) Act 2025* (16/2025), enacted 16 December 2025, and all statutory instruments up to and including the *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Revocation) Scheme 2025* (S.I. No. 615 of 2025), made 16 December 2025, were considered in the preparation of this revision.

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE, IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, FOR MAINTAINING THE STABILITY OF THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM IN THE STATE AND FOR THAT PURPOSE TO PROVIDE FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT BY THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE IN RESPECT OF CERTAIN CREDIT INSTITUTIONS, TO AMEND THE COMPETITION ACT 2002 AND OTHER ENACTMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR CONNECTED MATTERS.

[2nd October, 2008]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

**Annotations**

**Editorial Notes:**

- E1** Power granted to Minister for Finance to make proposed subordinated liabilities order in relation to subordinated liabilities of relevant institutions to which the Minister has provided or intends to provide financial support under Act and matters to be regarded by Minister in considering whether to make such an order prescribed (21.12.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010), s. 28, S.I. No. 623 of 2010.

Interpretation.

**1.—** In this Act—

“Central Bank” means the F1[[Central Bank of Ireland](#)];

“credit institution” has the meaning it has in the [Central Bank Act 1997](#);

“financial support” includes a loan, a guarantee, an exchange of assets and any other kind of financial accommodation or support;

“Governor” has the meaning it has in section 2 (inserted by [section 3](#) of the [Central Bank and Financial Services Authority of Ireland Act 2003](#)) of the [Central Bank Act 1942](#);

“Minister” means Minister for Finance;

“Regulatory Authority” has the meaning it has in section 2 (inserted by [section 3](#) of the [Central Bank and Financial Services Authority of Ireland Act 2003](#)) of the [Central Bank Act 1942](#);

“subsidiary”, in relation to a credit institution, has the meaning it has in [section 155](#) of the [Companies Act 1963](#).

#### Annotations

#### Amendments:

- F1** Substituted (1.10.2010) by *Central Bank Reform Act 2010* (23/2010), s. 15(14) and sch. 2 part 14 item 28, S.I. No. 469 of 2010.

Functions  
performed in the  
public interest.

**2.—** (1) The Minister has, in the public interest, the functions provided for under this Act because, after consulting the Governor and the Regulatory Authority, the Minister is of the opinion that—

- (a) there is a serious threat to the stability of credit institutions in the State generally, or would be such a threat if those functions were not performed,
- (b) the performance of those functions is necessary, in the public interest, for maintaining the stability of the financial system in the State, and
- (c) the performance of those functions is necessary to remedy a serious disturbance in the economy of the State.

(2) The Minister may continue to consult with **F2**[[the Central Bank and the Governor](#)] in the continuing performance of the Minister’s functions under this Act.

(3) Nothing in this Act prevents the performance by the Central Bank **F3**[...] of its functions in relation to any credit institution.

#### Annotations

#### Amendments:

- F2** Substituted (1.10.2010) by *Central Bank Reform Act 2010* (23/2010), s. 15(6) and sch. 2 part 6 item 1, S.I. No. 469 of 2010.
- F3** Deleted (1.10.2010) by *Central Bank Reform Act 2010* (23/2010), s. 15(6) and sch. 2 part 6 item 2, S.I. No. 469 of 2010.

Relevant date.

**3.—** In this Act “relevant date” means 30 September 2008.

Expenses of Minister.

**4.—** To the extent that the Minister incurs any expenditure not met in accordance with [section 6](#), the expenditure shall be paid out of the Central Fund or the growing produce thereof.

Regulations —  
general implementation  
of this Act.

**5.—** (1) The Minister may, in respect of any difficulty that arises in the operation of this Act during the period of 2 years beginning on the relevant date, make regulations to do anything that appears necessary or expedient for bringing this Act into operation.

(2) Regulations made under this section may contain such incidental, supplementary and consequential provisions as appear to the Minister to be necessary or expedient for the purposes of the regulations.

(3) Where the Minister proposes to make regulations under this section—

- (a) he or she shall, before doing so, consult with any other Minister of the Government that the Minister considers appropriate having regard to the functions of that other Minister of the Government in relation to the proposed regulations,
- (b) he or she shall cause a draft of the proposed regulations to be laid before each House of the Oireachtas, and
- (c) he or she shall not make the regulations unless and until a resolution approving of the draft has been passed by each such House.

Provision of financial support for credit institutions.

F4[6.—(1) As and from the relevant date, and in accordance with this section, the Minister may provide financial support directly or indirectly to any current or former credit institution or current or former subsidiary of a credit institution or former credit institution which the Minister may specify by order having regard to—

- (a) the matters set out in *section 2*,
- (b) the extent and nature of the obligations (including the degree of control over possible abuse of the financial support) undertaken and which might be undertaken in the future, and
- (c) the resources available to him or her for that purpose.

(1A) For the purposes of this section, the provision of indirect financial support includes the provision of financial support to a person (in particular, a company whose objects include the provision of such financial support) in connection with financial support provided or to be provided by that person to—

- (a) a credit institution or former credit institution or current or former subsidiary of a credit institution or former credit institution, or
- (b) credit institutions (including former credit institutions and current or former subsidiaries of credit institutions or former credit institutions) generally.

(1B) The Minister may establish a company incorporated under the Companies Acts whose objects include the provision of financial support or operating as a parent undertaking of one or more credit institutions to whom the Minister has provided financial support.]

(2) F5[...]

F6[(3) Financial support provided under this section shall not continue beyond—

- (a) 29 September 2010, or
- (b) a later date specified by the Minister by order.

(3A) The Minister may specify a date under *subsection (3)(b)* if and only if—

- (a) he or she is satisfied, after consulting the Governor and the Regulatory Authority, that the circumstances set out in *section 2* exist and are likely to continue to exist until the date to be specified, and

(b) he or she is satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest that assistance continue to be provided under this section until that date.

(3B) F7[...]

(4) Financial support may be provided under this section in a form and manner determined by the Minister and on such commercial or other terms and conditions as the Minister thinks fit. Such provision of financial support may be effected by individual agreement, a scheme made by the Minister or otherwise. Without prejudice to the Minister's discretion as to such conditions, all financial support provided shall so far as possible ultimately be recouped from the credit institution or subsidiary to which the support was provided.

F8[(4A) Where financial support is to be provided pursuant to a scheme under *subsection (4)*, the Minister may, at the Minister's discretion, specify by order a period or periods during which credit institutions may incur borrowings, liabilities and obligations in respect of which financial support may be provided.]

(5) Where the Minister proposes to make a scheme under *subsection (4)*—

(a) he or she shall cause a draft of the proposed scheme to be laid before each House of the Oireachtas, and

(b) he or she shall not make the scheme unless and until a resolution approving of the draft has been passed by each such House.

(6) Without prejudice to *subsection (4)*, the conditions under which the Minister provides financial support under this section may include conditions regulating the commercial conduct of the credit institution or subsidiary to which the support is provided, and in particular may include conditions to regulate the competitive behaviour of that credit institution or subsidiary.

(7) The Minister may, as a condition of providing financial support to a credit institution or subsidiary under this section, require the credit institution or subsidiary to fulfil the requirements for the time being imposed by the Central Bank or equivalent authority (including those in relation to the conduct of its business and its competitive behaviour) and to continue to do so.

(8) A condition referred to in this section—

(a) may, where financial support is provided to a credit institution under this section, regulate the commercial conduct of a subsidiary (whether or not financial support is being provided to the subsidiary), and

(b) may, where financial support is provided under this section to a subsidiary of a credit institution, regulate the commercial conduct of the credit institution or another subsidiary (whether or not financial support is being provided to the credit institution).

(9) The Minister may subscribe for, take an allotment of or purchase shares and any other securities in a credit institution or subsidiary to which financial support is provided under this section on such terms as the Minister sees fit.

(10) The Minister may withdraw or revoke financial support provided to a credit institution or a subsidiary under this section in accordance with the terms or conditions of the financial support as the Minister thinks fit.

(11) For the purposes of this section, the Minister may, whenever and so often as he or she thinks fit, create and issue securities—

(a) bearing interest at such rate as he or she thinks fit, or no interest,

(b) for such cash or non-cash deferred consideration as he or she thinks fit, and

(c) subject to such terms and conditions as to repayment, repurchase, cancellation and redemption or any other matter as he or she thinks fit.

(12) All money to be paid out or non-cash assets to be given by the Minister under this section may be paid out of the Central Fund or the growing produce thereof.

(13) Money paid by a credit institution or subsidiary to the Minister, or any non-cash consideration received by the Minister from such credit institution or subsidiary, is to be paid into, or disposed of for the benefit of, the Exchequer in connection with the performance of his or her functions under this section or for any other purpose in such manner as the Minister thinks fit.

(14) Where financial support has been provided under this section to a credit institution or subsidiary, the Minister—

(a) shall from time to time review the necessity for the financial support, and

(b) if he or she is satisfied, having regard to the considerations set out in [section 2](#), that the financial support is no longer necessary, shall withdraw the financial support.

(15) As soon as practicable after the end of 2009 and each year thereafter, the Minister shall lay a report before each House of the Oireachtas for the purpose of informing the members of each House on the situation with regard to any financial support provided under this section. The report shall give particulars of—

(a) the aggregate amount of payment and the amount (if any) repaid to the Minister on foot of the payment, and

(b) the aggregate amount of money that was outstanding at the end of that year on foot of such financial support.

(16) The publication of the reports required by *subsection (15)* shall be taken as satisfying any obligation of the Minister under Regulation 3 of the European Communities (Financial Transparency) Regulations 2004 ([S.I. No. 693 of 2004](#)).

(17) A reference in section 99(2) of the [Companies Act 1963](#) to a charge shall be taken not to include any charge to secure a liability or obligation arising under this section created by a credit institution or subsidiary in favour of the Minister or any agent of the Minister (including the National Treasury Management Agency) or the Central Bank. Section 99 of that Act shall not apply to any such charge.

(18) Notwithstanding any provision in the memorandum or articles of association of a credit institution or subsidiary that provides for the keeping of a register of charges created by that credit institution or subsidiary, a charge of a kind referred to in *subsection (17)* shall not be entered in that register.

(19) In *subsection (18)* “articles of association” shall, in the case of a body corporate that is not a company within the meaning of the Companies Acts, be taken to include any other instrument constituting or defining its constitution, including bye-laws.

[F9\[\(20\) In the event of there being any doubt or uncertainty over whether financial support provided or proposed to be provided to a current or former credit institution or current or former subsidiary of a credit institution or former credit institution may be provided under this section, the Minister may determine the matter. The Minister’s determination is conclusive.\]](#)



**Annotations****Amendments:**

- F4** Substituted and inserted (21.12.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010), s. 74 and sch. 1 part 4 item 1, S.I. No. 623 of 2010.
- F5** Deleted (21.12.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010), s. 74 and sch. 1 part 4 item 2, S.I. No. 623 of 2010.
- F6** Substituted and inserted (1.12.2009) by *Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009* (14/2009), s. 17 and sch. 2 part 2 item 2, S.I. No. 455 of 2009.
- F7** Deleted (21.12.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010), s. 74 and sch. 1 part 4 item 3, S.I. No. 623 of 2010.
- F8** Inserted (21.12.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010), s. 74 and sch. 1 part 4 item 4, S.I. No. 623 of 2010.
- F9** Substituted (21.12.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010), s. 74 and sch. 1 part 4 item 5, S.I. No. 623 of 2010.

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- E2** Power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (16.12.2025) by *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Revocation) Scheme 2025* (S.I. No. 615 of 2025).
- E3** Power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (16.12.2025) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Revocation) Scheme 2025* (S.I. No. 614 of 2025).
- E4** Power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (14.12.2012) by *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Amendment) Scheme 2012* (S.I. No. 519 of 2012).
- E5** Power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (8.12.2011) by *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Amendment) Scheme 2011* (S.I. No. 634 of 2011).
- E6** Power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (19.11.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Amendment) (No. 2) Scheme 2010* (S.I. No. 546 of 2010).
- E7** Power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (29.09.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Amendment) Scheme 2010* (S.I. No. 470 of 2010).
- E8** Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (19.07.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 358 of 2010).
- E9** Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (4.12.2008) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) (No. 3) Order 2008* (S.I. No. 515 of 2008).
- E10** Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (5.11.2008) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) (No. 2) Order 2008* (S.I. No. 425 of 2008).
- E11** Power pursuant to subs. (1) exercised (24.10.2008) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) Order 2008* (S.I. No. 416 of 2008).
- E12** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (4A) exercised (14.12.2012) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) (No. 2) Order 2012* (S.I. No. 521 of 2012); spent 30.06.2013.

- E13** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3)(b) exercised (14.12.2012) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) (No. 2) Order 2012* (S.I. No. 520 of 2012); spent 30.06.2018.
- E14** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3)(b) exercised (27.06.2012) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) Order 2012* (S.I. No. 225 of 2012); spent 31.12.2017.
- E15** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (4A) exercised (27.06.2012) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) Order 2012* (S.I. No. 224 of 2012); spent 31.12.2012.
- E16** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3)(b) exercised (8.12.2011) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) (No. 2) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 636 of 2011); spent 30.06.2017.
- E17** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3B) exercised (8.12.2011) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) (No. 2) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 635 of 2011); spent 30.06.2012.
- E18** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3B) exercised (1.06.2011) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 257 of 2011); spent 31.12.2011.
- E19** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3)(b) exercised (1.06.2011) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) Order 2011* (S.I. No. 256 of 2011); spent 31.12.2016.
- E20** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3)(b) exercised (19.11.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) (No. 2) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 548 of 2010); spent 30.06.2010.
- E21** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3B) exercised (19.11.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) (No. 2) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 547 of 2010); spent 30.06.2011.
- E22** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3B) exercised (29.09.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 472 of 2010); spent 31.12.2010.
- E23** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3)(b) exercised (29.09.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 471 of 2010); spent 31.12.2015.
- E24** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (9.12.2009) by *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) Scheme 2009* (S.I. No. 490 of 2009); revoked (16.12.2025) by *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Revocation) Scheme 2025* (S.I. No. 615 of 2025), art. 2.
- E25** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3B) exercised (9.12.2009) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) Order 2009* (S.I. No. 489 of 2009); spent 29.09.2010.
- E26** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (3)(b) exercised (9.12.2009) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) Order 2009* (S.I. No. 488 of 2009); spent 29.09.2015.
- E27** Previous affecting provision: subs. (1) amended (1.12.2009) by *Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009* (14/2009), s. 17 and sch. 2 part 2 item 1, S.I. No. 455 of 2009; substituted as per F-note above.
- E28** Previous affecting provision: subs. (3B) inserted (1.12.2009) by *Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009* (14/2009), s. 17 and sch. 2 part 2 item 2, S.I. No. 455 of 2009; deleted as per F-note above.
- E29** Previous affecting provision: subs. (20) inserted (1.12.2009) by *Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009* (14/2009), s. 17 and sch. 2 part 2 item 3, S.I. No. 455 of 2009; substituted as per F-note above.
- E30** Previous affecting provision: power pursuant to subs. (4) exercised (20.10.2008) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Scheme 2008* (S.I. No. 411 of 2008); revoked (16.12.2025) by *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Revocation) Scheme 2025* (S.I. No. 614 of 2025), art. 2.

Modification of  
application, etc., of  
certain provisions of  
Competition Act  
2002.

## 7.— F10[...]

### Annotations

#### Amendments:

**F10** Repealed (1.08.2013) by *Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013* (26/2013), s. 92, S.I. No. 287 of 2013.

#### Modifications (not altering text):

#### Editorial Notes:

- E31** Previous affecting provision: subs. (1)(a) amended (1.10.2010) by *Central Bank Reform Act 2010* (23/2010), s. 15(6) and sch. 2 part 6 item 3, S.I. No. 469 of 2010; section repealed as per F-note above.
- E32** Previous affecting provision: application of section restricted (28.10.2011) by *Central Bank and Credit Institutions (Resolution) Act 2011* (27/2011), s. 96, S.I. No. 548 of 2011; section repealed as per F-note above.
- E33** Previous affecting provision: application of section restricted (21.12.2010) by *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010), s. 54, S.I. No. 623 of 2010; section repealed as per F-note above.
- E34** Previous affecting provision: application of section restricted (21.12.2009) by *National Asset Management Agency Act 2009* (34/2009), s. 215(2), S.I. No. 545 of 2009; section repealed as per F-note above.
- E35** Previous affecting provision: application of section restricted by *Building Societies Act 1989* (17/1989), s. 18A(4), as inserted (21.12.2009) by *National Asset Management Agency Act 2009* (34/2009), s. 231 and sch. 3 part 1 item 6, S.I. No. 545 of 2009; section repealed as per F-note above.
- E36** Previous affecting provision: application of section restricted by *National Pensions Reserve Fund Act 2000* (33/2000), s. 15A(2), as inserted (30.03.2009) by *Investment of the National Pensions Reserve Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2009* (7/2009), s. 5, S.I. No. 102 of 2009; section repealed as per F-note above.
- E37** Previous affecting provision: application of section restricted (21.01.2009) by *Anglo Irish Bank Corporation Act 2009* (1/2009), s. 15(2), commenced on enactment; section repealed as per F-note above.

Consequential  
amendments of  
other Acts.

**8.—** (1) The First Schedule to the *National Treasury Management Agency Act 1990* is amended by—

(a) the deletion of “and” before paragraph (m); and

(b) the addition after paragraph (r) of:

“and

(s) subsections (1) to (11) of *section 6* of the *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Act 2008*”.

(2) *Section 54* of the *Finance Act 1970* is amended by inserting after subsection (7B) (inserted by the *National Development Finance Agency Act 2002*):

“(7C) The Minister for Finance may engage in such transactions of a normal banking nature with any person—

(a) in connection with the performance of his or her functions under *section 6* of the *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Act 2008*, and

(b) for the purpose of the better management of any indebtedness incurred by the Minister under that section,

and may for the purpose of those transactions issue such funds from the Exchequer as the Minister for Finance considers appropriate. The expenses and other costs incurred by the Minister for Finance in connection with or arising out of those transactions shall be charged on the Central Fund or the growing produce thereof.”

(3) The First Schedule to the *National Treasury Management Agency Act 1990* is amended by inserting the following after paragraph (*gggg*) (inserted by the *National Development Finance Agency Act 2002*):

“(ggggg) section 54(7C) (inserted by the *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Act 2008*) in so far as that section relates to the engagement in certain transactions of a normal banking nature) of the *Finance Act 1970*.”

(4) *Section 138* of the *Finance Act 1993* is amended by inserting, after subparagraph (iv) of subsection (1)(b):

“(v) any securities or financial instrument determined by the Minister as permissible on such terms and conditions as the Minister may determine.”

Short title.

9.— This Act may be cited as the Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Act 2008.



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**About this Revised Act**

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**Related legislation**

This Act is not collectively cited with any other Act.

**Annotations**

This Revised Act is annotated and includes textual and non-textual amendments, statutory instruments made pursuant to the Act and previous affecting provisions. A version without annotations, showing only textual amendments, is also available.

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**Acts which affect or previously affected this revision**

- *Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013* (26/2013)
- *Central Bank and Credit Institutions (Resolution) Act 2011* (27/2011)
- *Credit Institutions (Stabilisation) Act 2010* (36/2010)
- *Central Bank Reform Act 2010* (23/2010)
- *National Asset Management Agency Act 2009* (34/2009)
- *Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009* (14/2009)
- *Investment of the National Pensions Reserve Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2009* (7/2009)
- *Anglo Irish Bank Corporation Act 2009* (1/2009)
- *National Pensions Reserve Fund Act 2000* (33/2000)
- *Building Societies Act 1989* (17/1989)

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- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) (No. 2) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 548 of 2010)
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- *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Amendment) (No. 2) Scheme 2010* (S.I. No. 546 of 2010)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 472 of 2010)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 471 of 2010)
- *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Amendment) Scheme 2010* (S.I. No. 470 of 2010)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) Order 2010* (S.I. No. 358 of 2010)
- *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) Scheme 2009* (S.I. No. 490 of 2009)

- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Period) Order 2009* (S.I. No. 489 of 2009)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Financial Support Date) Order 2009* (S.I. No. 488 of 2009)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) (No. 3) Order 2008* (S.I. No. 515 of 2008)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) (No. 2) Order 2008* (S.I. No. 425 of 2008)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) (Specification of Institutions) Order 2008* (S.I. No. 416 of 2008)
- *Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Scheme 2008* (S.I. No. 411 of 2008)

All statutory instruments up to and including *Credit Institutions (Eligible Liabilities Guarantee) (Revocation) Scheme 2025* (S.I. No. 615 of 2025), made 16 December 2025, were considered in the preparation of this revision.