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Dear Clir. Murphy,

I am directed by the Minister for Justice and Equality, Charlie Flanagan T.D., to refer further to your correspondence dated 24 January, 2018, regarding a motion agreed at a meeting of South Dublin County Council on 15 January.

The position with regard to the so called "Jake's Amendment" concerning the introduction of a verdict of iatrogenic suicide is set out in the attached remarks of the Minister in the Seanad on 18 October 2017.

The Minister met with Jake's parents on 17 January 2018 and explained that no change to the law is contemplated.

Yours sincerely,

Conor Cleary

Private Secretary to the Minister

for Justice and Equality

