

**BILL NO 5**

**Explanatory Memorandum**

In recent years the admission and installation of a new Dignatory or new Prebendary into the Chapter of Saint Saviour, Connor, in Lisburn Cathedral has entailed a complex and tiresome process of moving up each canon and installing him in a different canonry. This is because of the declaration in the statute of 1952 of the fact that the members shall be in a stipulated order of precedence.

The Bill proposes that when a new canon is being installed the other canons may stay in their dignity or Prebend and do not have to "move up" in precedence. During a vacancy in the Deanery there would be no problem about a deputy as this is already provided for by the seniority of either of the two Archdeacons.

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THE BISHOP OF CONNOR

**BILL**

**To amend the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter IV of 1952, as amended by Chapter VII of 1965**

WHEREAS it is desirable to simplify the procedure for the installation of canons in the Chapter of Saint Saviour, Connor, in Lisburn Cathedral;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops, and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2006, and by the authority of the same as follows:

1. That Statute Chapter IV of 1952, as amended by Chapter VII of 1965, be amended by the omission in section 2 of the words "in the foregoing order of precedence".