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Implementation of Companies Accounting Bill 2016

- EU Directive 2013/34
- Annual standalone and consolidated financial statements
- Amends Part 6 of CA 2014 (Updates Schedule 3 and 4 of the Act)
- Transposition Deadline July 2015 – Enactment targeting 24/12/2016
Based on Committee Amendments 21st of November 2016 (S.15 amendment of S.280.A) – Did not materialise
- Companies Bill Overview (Based on August 2016 Version)

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- Companies Bill Detailed Sectional Analysis –
- S.1 – Now Says this Act may be cited as the Companies (Accounting) Act 2017 – Previously this Act and The Companies Act 2014 may be cited together as the Companies Acts 2014 and 2016.
- S.11 Provides for references to new and expanded schedules to the act – New Schedules 3A, 3B and 4A
- S.12 P&L Called an income statement (IFRS) or income and expenditure statement (not for profit). Ability to use IFRS wording

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Size Criteria

	Micro	Small (Maximum)	Medium
Turnover	€700,000	€12,000,000	€40,000,000
Balance Sheet	€350,000	€6,000,000	€20,000,000
Employees	10	50	250

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- S.14 the option to opt out of the small and micro companies regime
- Early adoption provisions for FS commencing on or after 1st of January 2017
- Detailed financial reporting Comparison Table
 - All companies above small group threshold must consolidate – more consolidations
 - Small Companies S.1A of FRS 102 –
 - Increase of small group audit exemption threshold
 - If not eligible to avail of audit exemption groups must consolidate

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- Who can not be small or medium sized companies:-
 - listed in Schedule 5; or
 - credit institutions, or
 - insurance undertakings, or
 - those having transferrable securities admitted to trading on a regulated market of a member state and designated by Member States as public-interest entities.

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- S.26 – Micro Entities not required to disclose directors remuneration – S.305 - Watch S.27 Updating S.305.A
- S.30 - Micro entities not required to disclose arrangements or transaction in which the directors have a material interest – S.309
- S.33 – Partial exemption for small companies with full exemption for Micro Entities – S.317

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- S.37 – Updating S.321 Accounting Policies – change in accounting policy including the reason, the effect and the impact on current and preceding years.
- S.40 – Once micro companies comply with the minimum requirements of the act (& FRS 105) they are presumed to have complied with the requirement to show a true and fair view

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- S.41, S.42, S.43 – No need to apply business review or disclose the use of financial instruments as required by S.326 and S.327
- S.3 – No medium company abridged financial statements S.353
- S.51/52/53 – Judgement back in for the abridged accounts of small companies S.353

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- S.52 No need to disclose directors and secretaries interests small companies
- S.52 Notes required in abridged accounts for
 - Departure from Companies Acts
 - Exceptional items disclosure
- S.65 – Updates S.393 to include “reasonable grounds” wording for auditor reporting category 1 or 2 offence which was previously omitted

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- S.75 – Unlimited companies can not avail of the micro entity regime
- S.78 Updates S.1274 ULCs and non filing structures
- Amended definition of designated ULC
- Non-Filing structures abolished (after a certain date)
- Doesn't stop there – There's more

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- Also Unlimited companies in Groups
- Commencement order CAB 2016?
- The Options for Companies
- New Exemption Published 23rd of March
- Section 1 of S.1274 as applied to S.(2)(a)(iii) shall not come into operation until 1st of January 2022

Companies (Statutory Audits) Bill 2017

- Replacing and revoking S.I. 312 of 2016
- EU Directive – 2006/43/EC as amended by 2014/56/EU
- Timing
- Penalties

Companies (Statutory Audits) Bill 2017

- Part 2 - Amendment of Companies Act 2014
- Part 3 – Designation of Competent Authority & Delegation of Tasks
- Part 4 – Approval of Statutory Auditors and Audit Firms & Prohibition on Unapproved Persons

Companies (Statutory Audits) Bill 2017

- Part 4
- Chapter 1 – Approval of Statutory Auditors & Audit Firms
- Chapter 2 – Aptitude Test
- Chapter 3 – Withdrawal of Approval
- Chapter 4 – Public Register
- Chapter 5 – Standards for Statutory Auditors
- Chapter 6 - Quality Assurance
- Chapter 7 – Investigations and Sanctions

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- Part 5 – Standards and Provisions Applicable to Statutory Auditors & Firms
- Chapter 1 - Appointment of Statutory Auditors
- Chapter 2 – Confidentiality & Professional Secrecy
- Chapter 3 – Auditing Standards & Reporting

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- Part 6 – Independence
- Part 7 - Audit Committees
- Part 8 – Regulatory Arrangements Between Member States
- Part 9 – Third Country Auditors
- Part 10 - Miscellaenous

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- Part 11 – Amendments to Industrial & Provident Societies Act 1893 and Friendly Societies Act 1896
 - Chapter 1 - Industrial & Provident Societies Act 1893
 - Chapter 2 - Friendly Societies Act 1896
 - Chapter 3 – Amendment of Companies Act 2014
 - Head 167 Amendment of Section 343(5) of the Principal Act

S.343 (5) and the Proposed Amendments under Companies Statutory Audit Bill

- The Process
- Eligibility
- Reasons for Being Late
- Representation
- Filing
- The Court Experience

S.343 (5) and the Proposed Amendments under Companies Statutory Audit Bill

- Change of approach by CRO
- *'The Registrar reserves the right to object to any application in the District Court for such an Order where, in the opinion of the Registrar, the reasons provided in the Affidavit and the supporting facts do not explain or verify why it was NOT POSSIBLE to deliver the annual return to the CRO within the time permitted by sections 343(2) or 343(3), Companies Act 2014, and are therefore not sufficient to warrant setting aside the company's legal obligations under the Act.'*

S.343 (5) and the Proposed Amendments under Companies Statutory Audit Bill

- What Should Accountants do to protect the Audit Exemption?
 - The Client Letter – Consequences for not doing what they should
- CRO Amendment
- Head 167 – Companies Statutory Audit Bill
- “The Granting of such an order will result in the automatic loss of audit exemption”

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