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Report Title	Summary of recommendations	Draft legislation, if applicable, in Report	Information on Implementation
<i>Report on Bioethics: Advance Care Directives</i> LRC 94-2009	Recommended legislative framework for advance care directives involving refusal of medical treatment, to form part of reform of mental capacity law	Draft <i>Mental Capacity (Advance Care Directives) Bill</i> in Report	
<i>Report on Civil Liability of Good Samaritans and Volunteers</i> LRC 93-2009	Recommended civil liability of Good Samaritans and volunteers be limited to circumstances of gross negligence; that liability of volunteer undertakings take account of their benefit to community	Draft <i>Civil Liability (Good Samaritans and Volunteers) Bill</i> in Report	
<i>Report on Trust Law: General Proposals</i> LRC 92-2008	Recommended reform of law on duties and powers of trustees, including replacement of <i>Trustee Act 1893</i> with consolidated and reformed Act	Draft <i>Trustee Bill</i> in Report	Government Legislation Programme April 2009: <i>Trusts Bill</i> to be published (Section C)
<i>Report on Statute Law Restatement</i> LRC 91-2008	Set out <i>First Programme of Statute Law Restatement 2008-2009</i> (administrative consolidation of over 40 Acts)	<i>First Programme of Statute Law Restatement 2008-2009</i> in Report	Implementation by Commission (followed by submission of Statute Law Restatements to Attorney General for certification)
<i>Report on Multi-Unit Developments</i> LRC 90-2008	Recommended reform to protect rights and interests of parties, including reform of law on owners' management companies	Draft <i>Multi-Unit Developments Bill</i> in Report	<i>Multi-Unit Developments Bill 2009</i> passed Second Stage in Seanad, June 2009
<i>Report on Aspects of Intercountry Adoption Law</i> LRC 89-2008	Reiterated recommendation in LRC 58-1998 to implement 1993 Hague Convention; recommended amendment of <i>Child Care Act 1991</i> concerning post-adoption services	Recommended amending section 6 of <i>Child Care Act 1991</i> to include post-adoption counselling for intercountry adoption	<i>Adoption Bill 2009</i> at Second Stage in Dáil, June 2009 (passed Seanad, May 2009)
<i>Report on Privity of Contract and Third Party Rights</i> LRC 88-2008	Recommended reform of contractual privity rules, allowing rights for those envisaged in the contract	Draft <i>Contract Law (Privity of Contract and Third Party Rights) Bill</i> in Report	
<i>Report on Homicide: Murder and Involuntary Manslaughter</i> LRC 87-	Recommended statutory codification of mental elements of murder and	Draft <i>Homicide Bill</i> in Report	Incorporated into Programme of Work of Criminal Law

2008	involuntary manslaughter (and related offences)		Codification Advisory Committee: see www.criminalcode.ie
<i>Report on Third Programme of Law Reform 2008-2014</i> LRC 86-2007	List of 37 Projects included in <i>Third Programme of Law Reform 2008-2014</i>	Not applicable	Government approved Third Programme on 12 December 2007 in accordance with <i>Law Reform Commission Act 1975</i>
<i>Report on General Law of Landlord and Tenant</i> LRC 85-2007	Recommended consolidating Landlord and Tenant Acts, including Deasy's Act 1860 and Landlord and Tenant Acts 1980 to 1994	Draft <i>Landlord and Tenant Bill</i> in Report	Government Legislation Programme April 2009: <i>Landlord and Tenant Bill</i> to be published (Section C)
<i>Report on Spent Convictions</i> LRC 84-2007	Recommended certain offences should be regarded as spent for certain purposes	Draft <i>Spent Convictions Bill</i> in Report	<i>Spent Convictions Bill 2007</i> at Committee Stage in Dáil, June 2009
<i>Report on Vulnerable Adults and the Law</i> LRC 83-2006	Recommended general mental capacity law to allow informal decision-making for adults who lack capacity; and replacement of Wards of Court with Office of Public Guardian and Guardianship Board	Draft <i>Mental Capacity and Guardianship Bill</i> in Report	Government Legislation Programme April 2009: <i>Mental Capacity Bill</i> to be published (Section B) (Scheme of <i>Mental Capacity Bill 2008</i> published by DJELR in 2008)
<i>Report on Rights and Duties of Cohabitants</i> LRC 82-2006	Recommended reform to allow cohabitant agreements, to confer certain entitlements on cohabitants and allow application to court for relief for certain qualified cohabitants	Draft <i>Cohabitants Bill</i> in Report	<i>Civil Partnership Bill 2009</i> published June 2009 (Part 15 deals with cohabitants)
<i>Report on Prosecution Appeals and Pre-trial Hearings</i> LRC 81-2006	Approved 'without prejudice' appeal for prosecution in trials on indictment in <i>Criminal Justice Act 2006</i> (recommended in Consultation Paper); recommended non-statutory pre-trial questionnaire	Not applicable (recommended 'without prejudice' prosecution appeal introduced in <i>Criminal Justice Act 2006</i>)	<i>Criminal Justice Act 2006</i> , ss.21 to 24
<i>Report on Charitable Trusts and Legal Structures for Charities</i> LRC 80-2006	Recommended reform of duties of charity trustees and new legal structure for charities, Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)	Draft <i>Charities (Charitable Incorporated Organisations) Bill</i> in Report	<i>Charities Act 2009</i> (in part: duties of charity trustees)
<i>Report on eConveyancing: Modelling of the Irish Conveyancing System</i> LRC 79-2006	Recommended establishment of eConveyancing Group to set out roadmap and recommendation to Government	Not applicable	eConveyancing Steering Group established (2007)
<i>Report on the</i>	Recommended	Draft <i>Criminal Justice</i>	Government Legislation

<i>Establishment of a DNA Database</i> LRC 78-2005	establishment of limited DNA Database	<i>(DNA Database) Bill</i> in Report	Programme April 2009: <i>Criminal Justice (Forensic Sampling and Evidence) Bill</i> to be published (Section A) (Scheme of <i>Criminal Justice (Forensic Sampling and Evidence) Bill</i> published by DJELR in 2007)
<i>Report on Corporate Killing</i> LRC 77-2005	Recommended offence of corporate killing and associated individual offence	Draft <i>Corporate Manslaughter Bill</i> in Report	Government Legislation Programme, Sept 2008: <i>Corporate Manslaughter Bill</i> to be published (Section C)
<i>Report on Multi-Party Litigation</i> LRC 76-2005	Recommended Multi-Party Litigation procedure in Rules of Court	Draft <i>Rules of the Superior Courts (Multi-Party Actions)</i> and draft <i>Civil Legal Aid (Amendment) Bill</i> in Report	
<i>Report on the Court Poor Box: Probation of Offenders</i> LRC 75-2005	Recommended replacement of court poor box and updating <i>Probation of Offenders Act 1907</i>	Draft <i>Probation of Offenders Bill</i> in Report	
<i>Report on Reform and Modernisation of Land Law and Conveyancing Law</i> LRC 74-2005	Recommended reform and modernisation of over 150 pre-1922 Acts on land law and conveyancing law	Draft <i>Land Law and Conveyancing Law Reform Bill</i> in Report	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on Public Inquiries Including Tribunals of Inquiry</i> LRC 73-2005	Recommended consolidation and reform of <i>Tribunals of Inquiry Acts 1921 to 2004</i>	Draft <i>Tribunals of Inquiry Bill</i> in Report	<i>Tribunals of Inquiry Bill 2005</i> passed Committee Stage in Dáil, May 2009
<i>Report on a Fiscal Prosecutor and a Revenue Court</i> LRC 72-2004	Recommended changes to Taxes Acts (appeals process from Revenue penalties; reform of Appeals Commissioners process; threshold for publication of tax defaulters)	Draft <i>Taxes (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill</i> in Report	In part: <i>Finance Act 2005</i> (threshold for publication of tax defaulters); <i>Finance (No.2) Act 2008</i> (appeals process from Revenue penalties)
<i>Report on Judicial Review Procedure</i> LRC 71-2004	Recommended changes to Rules of Court on judicial review; <i>Illegal Immigrants (Trafficking) Act 2000</i> and making of various Practice Directions	Draft amended Order 84 of <i>Rules of the Superior Courts</i> and draft amended section 5 of <i>Illegal Immigrants (Trafficking) Act 2000</i> in Report	
<i>Report on Land Law and Conveyancing Law (7): Positive Covenants over Freehold Land and Other Proposals</i> LRC 70-2003	Various recommendations for reform	Incorporated into draft Bill in <i>Report on Reform and Modernisation of Land Law and Conveyancing Law</i> LRC 74-2005	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on Penalties for Minor Offences</i> LRC 69-2003	Recommended limit to imprisonment power of District Court; to allow	Draft legislative provisions in Report	Administrative implementation (by parliamentary counsel) of

	amount of fine to be tailored to means of individual offender; to increase maximum fine for corporate bodies to 3 times that for individuals		limit to imprisonment power of District Court; <i>Fines Bill 2009</i> passed Second Stage in Dáil, May 2009
<i>Report on the Deductibility of Collateral Benefits from Awards of Damages</i> LRC 68-2002	Recommended reform of statutory rules on what can be deducted from compensation awards	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Civil Liability and Courts Act 2004</i> , s.27; <i>Social Welfare Consolidation Act 2005</i> , ss. 96 and 286
<i>Report on Title by Adverse Possession of Land</i> LRC 67-2002	Recommended clarifying scope of title of person in adverse possession and statutory conveyance of title	Draft <i>Title by Adverse Possession Bill</i> in Report	Postponed in view of ECtHR decision in <i>Pye (Oxford)</i> case (2007): incorporated into <i>Third Programme of Law Reform 2008-2014</i> (Project 20)
<i>Report on the Acquisition of Easements and Profits à Prendre by Prescription</i> LRC 66-2002	Recommended new statutory scheme and repeal of <i>Prescription Act 1832</i> .	Incorporated into draft Bill in <i>Report on Reform and Modernisation of Land Law and Conveyancing Law</i> LRC 74-2005	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on the Indexation of Fines: A Review of Developments</i> LRC 65-2002	Recommended implementation of “standard fine” system in <i>Report on Indexation of Fines</i> LRC 37-1991: see below	Draft legislative provisions contained in <i>Report on Indexation of Fines</i> LRC 37-1991: see below	<i>Fines Bill 2009</i> passed Second Stage in Dáil, May 2009
<i>Report on the Statutes of Limitations: Claims in Contract and Tort in Respect of Latent Damage (Other than Personal Injury)</i> LRC 64-2001	Recommended that limitation period should begin when person first knew or should have known of relevant factors (incorporated into <i>Third Programme of Law Reform 2008-2014</i> (Project 4: general review of limitation law))	Draft <i>Statute of Limitations (Amendment) Bill</i> in Report	
<i>Report on the Variation of Trusts</i> LRC 63-2000	Recommended courts should have power to vary terms of trusts	Draft <i>Variation of Trusts Bill</i> in Report	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on the Rule against Perpetuities and Cognate Rules</i> LRC 62-2000	Recommended abolition of rule against perpetuities and rule against accumulations	Draft <i>Perpetuities Bill</i> in Report	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on Statutory Drafting and Interpretation: Plain Language and the Law</i> LRC 61 - 2000	Recommended use of plain language in drafting legislation, updated interpretation of older legislation, purposive approach to interpreting legislation	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Interpretation Act 2005</i>
<i>Report on Aggravated, Exemplary and Restitutionary Damages</i> LRC 60 - 2000	Recommended primarily judicial development of the law on aggravated, exemplary and restitutionary damages;	Draft legislative provisions in Report	

	limited statutory reform		
<i>Report on Gazumping</i> LRC 59 - 1999	Recommended gazumping should be dealt with by way of information to consumers	Did not recommend legislation	Approved in <i>Report of Auctioneering/Estate Agency Review Group</i> (2005) (implemented in <i>Property Services (Regulation) Bill 2009</i> , published May 2009)
<i>Report on the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Inter-country Adoption</i> LRC 58 - 1998	Recommended State ratification of 1993 Hague Convention	Not applicable	<i>Adoption Bill 2009</i> at Second Stage in Dáil, June 2009 (passed Seanad, May 2009)
<i>Report on Privacy: Surveillance and the Interception of Communications</i> LRC 57 - 1998	Recommended various legislative protections for privacy in connection with surveillance	Draft <i>Privacy and Surveillance Bill</i> in Report	<i>Criminal Justice (Surveillance) Act 2009</i> ; <i>Privacy Bill 2006</i> at Second Stage in Dáil, June 2009;
<i>Report on Land Law and Conveyancing Law; (6) Further General Proposals Including the Execution of Deeds</i> LRC 56 - 1998	Recommended words of limitation not required for creation or transfer of interest in freehold registered land	Incorporated into draft Bill in <i>Report on Reform and Modernisation of Land Law and Conveyancing Law</i> LRC 74-2005	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on the Unidroit Convention on Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects</i> LRC 55 -1997	Recommended State ratification of Unidroit Convention	Not applicable	
<i>Report on Personal Injuries: Periodic Payments and Structured Settlements</i> LRC 54 - 1996	Recommended provisional awards and structured settlements in civil compensation claims	Draft legislative provisions in Report	
<i>Report on Sentencing</i> LRC 53 - 1996	Recommended non-statutory sentencing guidelines; statutory discretion to reduce sentence where guilty plea entered	Recommended limited legislative reforms; primarily recommended non-legislative reform	<i>Criminal Justice Act 1999</i> , s.29 (discretion of court to reduce sentence where guilty plea entered)
<i>Report on Family Courts</i> LRC 52 - 1996	Various recommendations on family law and its administration		In part: <i>Children Act 1997</i> , s.28 (appointment of guardian for litigation); <i>Civil Liability and Courts Act 2004</i> , s.40 (reform of <i>in camera</i> rule)
<i>Report on Intoxication</i> LRC 51 - 1995	Recommended that intoxication not a general defence in criminal law	Draft legislative provisions in Report	Incorporated into Programme of Work of Criminal Law Codification Advisory Committee: see www.criminalcode.ie
<i>An Examination of the Law of Bail</i> LRC 50 - 1995	Commission not requested to make specific proposals for reform	Not applicable	<i>Bail Act 1997</i>

<i>Report on the Interests of Vendor and Purchaser in Land during the Period Between Contract and Completion</i> LRC 49 - 1995	Recommended beneficial ownership should in general transfer on making contract	Incorporated into draft Bill in <i>Report on Reform and Modernisation of Land Law and Conveyancing Law</i> LRC 74-2005	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on Hague Convention Abolishing Requirement of Legalisation of Foreign Public Documents</i> LRC 48 - 1995	Recommended State ratification of 1961 Hague Convention	Not applicable	<i>Rules of the Superior Courts (No.1) (Proof of Foreign Diplomatic, Consular and Public Documents) 1999</i> (SI No.3 of 1999); <i>Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2008</i> , s.50
<i>Report on Contempt of Court</i> LRC 47 - 1994	Recommended statutory codification and reform of contempt of court law	Draft legislative provisions in Report	
<i>Report on Occupiers' Liability</i> LRC 46 - 1994	Recommended reform of common law rules and legislative regulation	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Occupiers Liability Act 1995</i>
<i>Report on Non-Fatal Offences Against the Person</i> LRC 45 - 1994	Recommended reform of common law and statutory rules on non-fatal offences, including repeal of most of the <i>Offences Against the Person Act 1861</i>	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Non-Fatal Offences Against the Person Act 1997</i>
<i>Report on Land Law and Conveyancing Law: (5) Further General Proposals</i> LRC 44 - 1992	Various recommendations for reform of landlord and tenant law	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act 1994</i> ; <i>Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2008</i> , s.47
<i>Report on the Law Relating to Dishonesty</i> LRC 43 - 1992	Recommended reform of common law and statutory rules	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001</i>
<i>Report on United Nations Vienna Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods</i> LRC 42 - 1992	Recommended State ratification of Vienna Convention	Not applicable	
<i>Report on the Crime of Libel</i> LRC 41 - 1991	Recommended reform of common law and statutory rules	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Defamation Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on Land Law and Conveyancing Law: (4) Service of Completion Notices</i> LRC 40 - 1991	Various recommendations for reform	Incorporated into draft Bill in <i>Report on Reform and Modernisation of Land Law and Conveyancing Law</i> LRC 74-2005	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on Land Law and Conveyancing Law: (3) The Passing of Risk from Vendor to Purchaser</i> LRC 39 - 1991	Various recommendations for reform	Incorporated into draft Bill in <i>Report on Reform and Modernisation of Land Law and Conveyancing Law</i> LRC 74-2005	<i>Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on the Civil Law of Defamation</i> LRC 38 - 1991	Recommended reform of common law and statutory rules on defamation	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Defamation Act 2009</i>
<i>Report on Indexation of</i>	Recommended the	Draft legislative	<i>Fines Bill 2009</i> passed

<i>Fines</i> LRC 37 - 1991	introduction of standard fine system	provisions in Report	Second Stage in Dáil, May 2009
<i>Report on the Hague Convention on Succession to the Estates of Deceased Persons</i> LRC 36 – 1991	Recommended State ratification of Hague Convention	Not applicable	
<i>Report on Confiscation of the Proceeds of Crime</i> LRC 35 - 1991	Recommended introduction of restraint orders, and international co-operation regarding confiscation orders	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Criminal Justice Act 1994; Proceeds of Crime Act 1996; Proceeds of Crime (Amendment) Act 2005</i>
<i>Report on Oaths and Affirmations</i> LRC 34 - 1990	Various recommendations for reform, including replacement of <i>Oaths Act 1888</i>	Draft legislative provisions, including form of oath, in Report	Implemented in part: <i>Children Act 1997</i>
<i>Report on Sexual Offences against the Mentally Handicapped</i> LRC 33 - 1990	Various recommendations on sexual offences with person of limited intellectual capacity; consent of DPP required to take proceedings	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Act 1993; Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1997</i>
<i>Report on Child Sexual Abuse</i> LRC 32 - 1990	Various recommendations: mandatory reporting of child sexual abuse; immunity for those who report child abuse in good faith; care orders; barring orders; offences of child sexual abuse; consenting and non-consenting sexual offences with children (same-sex and opposite sex); video-recording evidence	Draft legislative provisions in Report	Implemented in part: <i>Child Care Act 1991; Criminal Evidence Act 1992; Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Act 1993; Domestic Violence Act 1996; Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1997; Protection for Persons Reporting Child Abuse Act 1998</i>
<i>Report on Land Law and Conveyancing: (2) Enduring Powers of Attorney</i> LRC 31 - 1989	Recommendations on characteristics, registration and scope of power of attorney	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Powers of Attorney Act 1996; Family Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1997</i>
<i>Report on Land Law and Conveyancing: (1) General Proposals</i> LRC 30 - 1989	Recommended substitution of 5 years for 3 years for a new tenancy	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act 1994</i>
<i>Report on the Recognition of Foreign Adoption Decrees</i> LRC 29 - 1989	Recommended validity of foreign adoptions made in place of habitual residence of the adopters	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Adoption Act 1991</i>
<i>Report on Debt Collection: (2) Retention of Title</i> LRC 28 - 1988	Recommended amendments to <i>Sale of Goods Act 1893</i> concerning retention of title clauses in sale of goods contracts	Draft <i>Sale of Goods (Amendment) Bill</i> in Report	
<i>Report on Debt Collection: (1) The Law</i>	Various recommendations on	Draft legislative provisions in Report	Implemented in part: <i>Land and Conveyancing Law</i>

<i>Relating to Sheriffs</i> LRC 27 - 1988	powers of sheriffs, including abolition of power of sheriffs to seize leasehold land		<i>Reform Act 2006</i> , s.130
<i>Report on Malicious Damage</i> LRC 26 - 1988	Various recommendations including abolition of common law offence of arson and making of compensation orders	Draft <i>Criminal Damage Bill</i> in Report	<i>Criminal Damage Act 1991</i> ; <i>Criminal Justice Act 1993</i>
<i>Report on the Rule Against Hearsay in Civil Cases</i> LRC 25 - 1988	Various recommendations for reform of common law rules	Draft <i>Hearsay in Civil Proceedings Bill</i> in Report	Incorporated into <i>Third Programme of Law Reform 2008-2014</i> (Project 8)
<i>Report on Rape and Allied Offences</i> LRC 24 - 1988	Recommended amending <i>Criminal Law (Rape) Act 1981</i> to widen definition of rape; and abolition of marital rape exemption	Draft <i>Criminal Law (Rape) (Amendment) Bill</i> in Report	<i>Criminal Law (Rape) (Amendment) Act 1990</i> ; <i>Criminal Justice Act 1993</i>
<i>Report on Receiving Stolen Property</i> LRC 23 - 1987	Recommended new offence of handling stolen goods: see also <i>Report on the Law Relating to Dishonesty</i> LRC 43– 1992, above	Draft <i>Criminal Justice Bill</i> in Report	<i>Larceny Act 1990</i> ; <i>Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001</i>
<i>Report on the Hague Convention on Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters</i> LRC 22 - 1987	Recommended ratification of Convention by State	Not applicable	<i>Rules of the Superior Courts (No.3) 1994</i> ; <i>District Court Rules 1997</i> (previously: <i>District Court (Service Abroad of Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters) Rules 1994</i>)
<i>Report on the Statute of Limitations: Claims in Respect of Latent Personal Injuries</i> LRC 21 - 1987	Recommended limitation period should begin to run from the date of knowledge of certain facts	Draft <i>Statute of Limitations (Amendment) Bill</i> in Report	<i>Statute of Limitations (Amendment) Act 1991</i>
<i>Report on Jurisdiction in Proceedings for Nullity of Marriage, Recognition of Foreign Nullity Decrees and Hague Convention</i> LRC 20 - 1985	Recommended specific rules on jurisdiction and ratification of Convention by State	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Family Law Act 1995</i>
<i>Report on Private International Law Aspects of Capacity to Marry and Choice of Law in Proceedings for Nullity of Marriage</i> LRC 19 - 1985	Various recommendations concerning recognition of foreign annulment	Draft legislative provisions in Report	
<i>Report on the Liability in Tort of Mentally Disabled Persons</i> LRC 18 - 1985	Various recommendations concerning extent of liability in tort	Draft legislative provisions in Report	
<i>Report on the Liability in Tort of Minors and the Liability of Parents for</i>	Various recommendations concerning extent of	Draft legislative provisions in Report	

<i>Damage Caused by Minors</i> LRC 17 - 1985	liability in tort		
<i>Report on the Hague Convention on the Taking of Evidence Abroad in Civil or Commercial Matters</i> LRC 16 - 1985	Recommended ratification of Convention by State	Not applicable	
<i>Report on Minors' Contracts</i> LRC 15 - 1985	Various recommendations concerning extent of liability in contract law	Draft legislative provisions in Report	
<i>Report on Offences Under the Dublin Police Acts and Related Offences</i> LRC 14 - 1985	Recommended reform of public order offences	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Criminal Justice (Public Order) Act 1994</i>
<i>Report on Competence and Compellability of Spouses as Witnesses</i> LRC 13 - 1985	Recommended that spouse or former spouse is competent to give evidence	Draft <i>Criminal Evidence Bill</i> in Report	<i>Criminal Evidence Act 1992</i>
<i>Report on the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction and Some Related Matters</i> LRC 12 -1985	Recommended ratification of Convention in the State	Not applicable	<i>Child Abduction and Enforcement of Custody Orders Act 1991</i>
<i>Report on Vagrancy and Related Offences</i> LRC 11 - 1985	Recommended abolition of offence, in the <i>Vagrancy Act 1824</i> , of wandering abroad; new offences of: entering a building with intent to commit an offence; soliciting or importuning for the purposes of the commission of a sexual offence; living on earnings of prostitution	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Housing Act 1988; Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Act 1993; Criminal Justice (Public Order) Act 1994</i>
<i>Report on Recognition of Foreign Divorces and Legal Separations</i> LRC 10 - 1985	Recommended residence as basis for recognition, in place of domicile	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Domicile and Recognition of Foreign Divorces Act 1986; Family Law Act 1995</i>
<i>Report on Nullity of Marriage</i> LRC 9 - 1984	Recommended reform and codification of common law rules	Draft legislative provisions in Report	
<i>Report on Divorce a Mensa et Thoro and Related Matters</i> LRC 8 - 1983	Recommended replacement of common law divorce <i>a mensa et thoro</i> with statutory judicial separation	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Judicial Separation and Family Law Reform Act 1989; Family Law Act 1995</i>
<i>Report on Domicile and Habitual Residence as Connecting Factors in the Conflict of Laws</i> LRC 7 - 1983	Recommended abolition of domicile of dependency	Draft <i>Conflict of Laws (Habitual Residence) Bill</i> in Report	<i>Domicile and Recognition of Foreign Divorces Act 1986</i>
<i>Report on Restitution of Conjugal Rights, Jactitation of Marriage and Related Matters</i> LRC 6 - 1983	Recommended abolition of proceedings for the restitution of conjugal rights, and of petition for jactitation of marriage	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Family Law Act 1988; Family Law Act 1995</i>

<i>Report on the Age of Majority, the Age for Marriage and Some Connected Subjects</i> LRC 5 - 1983	Recommended reduction of age of majority from 21 years to 18 years; and concerning age of marriage	Draft <i>Age of Majority Bill</i> in Report	<i>Age of Majority Act, 1985, Family Law Act 1995; Family Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1997</i>
<i>Report on Illegitimacy</i> LRC 4 - 1982	Recommended abolition of status of illegitimacy; that the marital status of parents to have no effect on children's status; refusal to give a blood test in paternity proceedings allows court to draw its own inferences	Draft legislative provisions in Report	<i>Status of Children Act 1987</i>
<i>Report on Defective Premises</i> LRC 3 - 1982	Recommended statutory provisions to protect purchasers of defective premises	Draft <i>Defective Premises Bill</i> in Report	Non-statutory HomeBond scheme introduced
<i>Report on Civil Liability for Animals</i> LRC 2 - 1982	Recommended reform of common law rules concerning damage caused by animals straying onto a highway; and powers of Garda Síochána concerning stray animals	Draft <i>Animals Bill</i> in Report	<i>Animals Act 1985</i>
<i>Report on Family Law</i> LRC 1 - 1981	Recommended abolition of common law action for criminal conversation and for harbouring a spouse, and of action for breach of a promise to marry	Draft <i>Family Law Bill</i> in Report	<i>Family Law Act 1981</i>