

STATES OF JERSEY



SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT POLICY (P.104/2010): THIRD AMENDMENT (P.104/2010 Amd.(3)) – COMMENTS

**Presented to the States on 25th November 2010
by the Minister for Transport and Technical Services**

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COMMENTS

The purpose of the Connétable of St. Mary's amendment is to ensure that motoring (including parking) costs are not increased "disproportionately" until a viable alternative method of transport is available to all.

This is consistent with the sustainable transport policy which proposes to improve the alternatives, particularly with respect to an Island-wide comprehensive bus service, before considering increases in parking charges.

The Connétable's report states, with regard to financial implications, that her amendment will result in a reduction in the funds available to implement areas of the draft strategy equal to the proposed increases in parking and motoring costs. The policy, however, has been developed on the understanding that it will receive £500,000 funding per annum, being one quarter of the anticipated income received from vehicle emissions duty, which has been in place since September this year. Potential increases in parking costs are not expected to increase income, as there will be a reduction in parked cars resultant from the policy which will more than negate the effect of an increased rate.

Funding for the policy is not therefore dependent on disproportionate increases in motoring costs. The Connétable's amendment has my support.