

THE STATES assembled on Wednesday 20th January 2016, at 09.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff, Timothy John Le Cocq, Esquire.

All members were present at roll call with the exception of -	

Senator Alan John Henry Maclean – en défaut (arrived in the Chamber at 9.45 a.m.) Deputy Richard John Rondel of St. Helier – ill

Prayers

Minimum Wage: revised hourly rate from 1st April 2016 P.150/2015

THE STATES, having resumed consideration of a proposition of Deputy Samuel Yves Mézec of St. Helier entitled 'Minimum Wage: revised hourly rate from 1st April 2016' (P.150/2015), rejected paragraph (a) –

(a) to request the Minister for Social Security to revoke the Employment (Minimum Wage) (Amendment No. 9) (Jersey) Order 2015, scheduled to come into force on 1st April 2016, and to take such steps as necessary to make a new Order fixing the minimum wage at £7.20 per hour from 1st April 2016;

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 10 CONTRE: 38 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator P.F. Routier

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf

Senator Z.A. Cameron
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy M. Tadier (B)
Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)
Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)
Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
Deputy R. Labey (H)
Deputy S.M. Brée (C)

Senator A.J.H. Maclean Senator I.J. Gorst Senator L.J. Farnham Senator P.M. Bailhache Senator A.K.F. Green Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. Lawrence Connétable of St. Mary Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Martin Connétable of St. Saviour Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. John Connétable of Trinity Deputy of Grouville Deputy J.A. Hilton (H) Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L) Deputy of Trinity

Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Deputy E.J. Noel (L)
Deputy of St. John
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
Deputy of St. Martin
Deputy R.G. Bryans (H)
Deputy of St. Peter
Deputy of St. Ouen
Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
Deputy M.J. Norton (B)
Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)
Deputy of St. Mary
Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

THE STATES, adopting paragraph (b) of the proposition of Deputy Samuel Yves Mézec of St. Helier, agreed –

Deputy P.D. McLinton (S)

(b) to request the Minister for Social Security to investigate the impact on the tax and benefits system of a significant rise in the minimum wage, sufficient to lift recipients out of relative low income, and to assess the impact that any changes arising from the introduction of the "National Living Wage" in the United Kingdom could have on the structure and level of the Jersey minimum wage, and to report to the States by December 2016.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 25 CONTRE: 23 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator P.F. Routier

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf

Senator Z.A. Cameron Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of St. Martin Connétable of St. Saviour Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. John Deputy J.A. Martin (H) Deputy G.P. Southern (H) Deputy of Grouville Deputy J.A. Hilton (H) Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L) Deputy K.C. Lewis (S) Deputy M. Tadier (B) Deputy of St. John Deputy M.R. Higgins (H) Deputy J.M. Maçon (S) Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H) Deputy A.D. Lewis (H) Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S) Deputy R. Labey (H) Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H) Deputy S.M. Brée (C)

Senator A.J.H. Maclean Senator I.J. Gorst Senator L.J. Farnham Senator P.M. Bailhache Senator A.K.F. Green Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. Lawrence Connétable of St. Mary Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of Trinity Deputy of Trinity Deputy E.J. Noel (L) Deputy S.J. Pinel (C) Deputy of St. Martin Deputy R.G. Bryans (H) Deputy of St. Peter Deputy of St. Ouen Deputy M.J. Norton (B) Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

Deputy P.D. McLinton (S)

Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)

Deputy of St. Mary

Draft Road Works and Events (Jersey) Law 201- P.152/2015

THE STATES commenced consideration of the Draft Road Works and Events (Jersey) Law 201- and adopted the principles.

THE STATES, having been informed that the relevant scrutiny panel had indicated that it did not wish to scrutinise the draft legislation, adopted Articles 1 to 41.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 41 CONTRE: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator P.F. Routier

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf

Senator A.J.H. Maclean

Senator I.J. Gorst

Senator A.K.F. Green

Senator Z.A. Cameron

Connétable of St. Helier

Connétable of St. Clement

Connétable of St. Peter

Connétable of St. Lawrence

Connétable of St. Mary

Connétable of St. Brelade

Connétable of St. Martin

Connétable of Grouville

Connétable of St. John

Connétable of Trinity

Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

Deputy G.P. Southern (H)

Deputy of Grouville

Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)

Deputy of Trinity

Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)

Deputy M. Tadier (B)

Deputy E.J. Noel (L)

Deputy of St. John

Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)

Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)

Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)

Deputy R.G. Bryans (H)

Deputy of St. Peter

Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)

Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)

Deputy of St. Ouen

Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)

Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)

Deputy S.M. Brée (C)

Deputy M.J. Norton (B)

Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)

Deputy of St. Mary

Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, adopted a Law entitled the Road Works and Events (Jersey) Law 201-.

Gas Tariffs: reduction P.154/2015

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier entitled 'Gas Tariffs: reduction' (P.154/2015), and rejected paragraph (a) –

(a) to request the Minister for Treasury and Resources, or another Minister as appropriate, to bring forward Regulations for approval by the States, under the powers assigned by Article 89(1) of the Jersey Gas Company (Jersey) Law 1989, in order to reduce the Jersey Gas Company's domestic and commercial tariffs by 10% with immediate effect;

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 17 CONTRE: 27 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator P.F. Routier Senator Z.A. Cameron Deputy J.A. Martin (H) Senator P.F.C. Ozouf Deputy G.P. Southern (H) Senator A.J.H. Maclean Deputy of Grouville Senator I.J. Gorst Deputy J.A. Hilton (H) Senator L.J. Farnham Deputy K.C. Lewis (S) Senator P.M. Bailhache Deputy M. Tadier (B) Senator A.K.F. Green Deputy of St. John Connétable of St. Helier Deputy M.R. Higgins (H) Connétable of St. Clement Deputy J.M. Macon (S) Connétable of St. Peter Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H) Connétable of St. Lawrence Deputy A.D. Lewis (H) Connétable of St. Mary Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S) Connétable of St. Ouen Deputy R. Labey (H) Connétable of St. Brelade Deputy S.M. Brée (C) Connétable of St. Martin Deputy T.A. McDonald (S) Connétable of Grouville Deputy P.D. McLinton (S) Connétable of Trinity Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L) Deputy of Trinity Deputy E.J. Noel (L) Deputy S.J. Pinel (C) Deputy of St. Martin Deputy R.G. Bryans (H) Deputy of St. Ouen Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)

THE STATES rejected paragraph (b) of the proposition of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier –

Deputy M.J. Norton (B) Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

(b) to request that the Minister for Economic Development commission research to verify that the proposed standing charges were indeed revenue-neutral to the company and fair to their consumers.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 21 CONTRE: 22 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator Z.A. Cameron Senator P.F. Routier Connétable of St. Clement Senator P.F.C. Ozouf Connétable of St. Mary Senator A.J.H. Maclean Deputy J.A. Martin (H) Senator I.J. Gorst Deputy G.P. Southern (H) Senator L.J. Farnham Deputy of Grouville Senator P.M. Bailhache Deputy J.A. Hilton (H) Senator A.K.F. Green Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L) Connétable of St. Helier Deputy K.C. Lewis (S) Connétable of St. Peter Deputy M. Tadier (B) Connétable of St. Lawrence Deputy of St. John Connétable of St. Ouen Deputy M.R. Higgins (H) Connétable of St. Brelade Deputy J.M. Maçon (S) Connétable of St. Martin Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H) Connétable of Grouville Deputy A.D. Lewis (H) Connétable of Trinity Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S) Deputy of Trinity Deputy R. Labey (H) Deputy E.J. Noel (L) Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H) Deputy S.J. Pinel (C) Deputy S.M. Brée (C) Deputy of St. Martin Deputy T.A. McDonald (S) Deputy of St. Ouen Deputy P.D. McLinton (S) Deputy M.J. Norton (B) Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

Arrangement of public business for future meetings

THE STATES agreed the following arrangement of public business for future meetings proposed, as amended, by the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 88(3) -

2nd February 2016

Concessionary bus fares for the disabled: discussions with LibertyBus. P.140/2015.

Lodged: 10th November 2015. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.

Concessionary bus fares for the disabled: discussions with LibertyBus (P.140/2015) – P.140/2015.

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Presented: 14th December 2015.

Council of Ministers.

Draft Debt Remission (Individuals) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.153/2015.

Lodged: 9th December 2015.

Chief Minister.

Draft Children's Property and Tuteurs (Jersey) Law 201-.

P.156/2015.

Lodged: 15th December 2015.

Chief Minister.

Draft Dogs (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.157/2015.

Lodged: 15th December 2015.

Chief Minister.

Jersey Police Complaints Authority: re-appointment of Chairman. P.158/2015.

Lodged: 21st December 2015.

Minister for Home Affairs.

Draft Health and Safety (Management in Construction) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.159/2015.

Lodged: 22nd December 2015.

Minister for Social Security.

Jersey Bank Depositors Compensation Board: appointment of members. P.163/2015.

Lodged: 24th December 2015.

Chief Minister.

States of Jersey Development Company Limited: appointment of Chairman. P.1/2016.

Lodged: 5th January 2016.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

23rd February 2016

Draft EU Legislation (Consumer Protection – Unfair Practices) (Jersey) Regulations P.134/2015.

Lodged: 26th October 2015.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft EU Legislation (Consumer Protection – Unfair Practices) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.134/2015): amendment. P.134/2015.

Lodged: 29th December 2015.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (United States of P.160/2015.

America) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 201-.

Lodged: 24th December 2015. *Minister for External Relations.*

Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (United Kingdom) P.161/2015.

(Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 201-.

Lodged: 24th December 2015. *Minister for External Relations.*

Draft Financial Regulation (Miscellaneous Provisions No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.162/2015.

Lodged: 24th December 2015.

Chief Minister.

Draft Dentistry (Jersey) Law 2015 (Appointed Day) Act 201-. P.2/2016.

Lodged: 12th January 2016.

Minister for Health and Social Services.

People's Park: removal from list of sites under consideration for future new hospital. P.3/2016.

Lodged: 19th January 2016.

Connétable of St. Helier.

8th March 2016

Draft Act annulling the Planning and Environment (2016 Fees) (Jersey) Order 2015.

P.4/2016.

Lodged: 19th January 2016.

Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier.

22nd March 2016

Draft Commissioner for Standards (Jersey) Law 201-.

P.120/2015.

Lodged: 15th October 2015.

 $Privileges\ and\ Procedures\ Committee.$

La Collette Low Rise Development: direction to Andium Homes Ltd.

P.139/2015.

Lodged: 9th November 2015.

Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier.

THE STATES rose at 4.15 p.m.

DR. M. EGAN

Greffier of the States