THE STATES assembled on Wednesday, 6th July 2005, at 9.30 a.m. under the Presidency of Mr. Michael Nelson de la Haye, Greffier of the States.

All members were present with the exception of –

Senator Paul Francis Routier – out of the Island Senator Edward Philip Vibert– ill Senator Richard Joseph Shenton – ill Alan Breckon, Deputy of St. Saviour– ill Terence John Le Main, Deputy of St. Helier– out of the Island Jeremy Laurence Dorey, Deputy of St. Helier– ill Geoffrey John Grime, Deputy of St. Mary– ill.

Prayers read by the Acting Dean of Jersey.

Arrangement of public business for the present meeting

THE STATES granted leave to the President of the Privileges and Procedures Committee to defer consideration of the following item from the present meeting to a later date –

Draft States of Jersey (Amendment No. 2) Law 200.

P.98/2005.

Lodged: 24th May 2005.

Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Jersey) Law 200- P.99/2005 Amendments and comments

THE STATES commenced consideration of the draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Jersey) Law 200-, and adopted the Preamble.

THE STATES adopted Articles 1 to 30 together with Schedule.

THE STATES commenced consideration of Article 31 and adopted an amendment of the Harbours and Airpor Committee that after paragraph (5) in proposed Article 2, there be added the following paragraphs—

- (6) The Airport Director shall, on or as soon as practicable after becoming Airport Director, take oath before the Royal Court well and faithfully to discharge his or her duties as Airport Director.
- (7) A person appointed under paragraph (4) to act as the Airport Director shall, on or as soon as practicable after being so appointed, take oath before the Royal Court well and faithfully to discharge the duties of the Airport Director while acting as the Airport Director.

THE STATES adopted Article 31, as amended, and Article 32 and 33.

THE STATES commenced consideration of Article 34 and adopted an amendment of the Harbours and Airpor Committee that after proposed Article 2A there be added the following Article—

2B Oaths

- (1) The Harbour Master shall, on or as soon as practicable after becoming Harbour Master, take oath before the Royal Court well and faithfully to discharge his or her duties as Harbour Master.
- (2) A person appointed under Article 2A to act as the Harbour Master shall, on or as soon as practicable after being so appointed, take oath before the Royal Court well and faithfully to discharge, while acting as the Harbour Master, his or her duties as the Harbour Master under that Article.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 30 CONTRE: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy of St. John

Senator S. Syvret

Senator L. Norman

Senator F.H. Walker

Senator T.A. Le Sueur

Senator P.V.F. Le Claire

Senator M.E. Vibert

Connétable of St. Martin

Connétable of St. Ouen

Connétable of St. Saviour

Connétable of St. Brelade

Connétable of St. Peter

Connétable of St. Clement

Connétable of Trinity

Connétable of St. Lawrence

Connétable of Grouville

Connétable of St. John

Deputy of Trinity

Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)

Deputy J.J. Huet (H)

Deputy of St. Martin

Deputy M.F. Dubras (L)

Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S)

Deputy J.B. Fox (H)

Deputy J.A. Bernstein (B)

Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)

Deputy M.A. Taylor (C)

Deputy of Grouville

Deputy of St. Peter

Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)

THE STATES adopted Article 34, as amended, and Articles 35 to 40.

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, adopted a Law entitled the Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Jersey) Law 200-.

$\label{eq:proposed_legislation} Freedom\ of\ Information:\ proposed\ legislation-P.72/2005$ $Amendment\ and\ comments$

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Privileges and Procedures Committee, as amended by that Committee, concerning Freedom of Information: proposed legislation, and adopted a proposition of Deputy Roy George Le Hérissier of St. Saviour that Standing Order 26A, relating to propositions for closure of debate, be suspended during consideration of the matter.

POUR: 29 CONTRE: 7 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator F.H. Walker

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf

Senator T.A. Le Sueur

Connétable of Grouville

Connétable of St. Lawrence

Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C) Deputy L.J. Farnham (S)

Senator J.A. Le Maistre Senator S. Syvret Senator W. Kinnard Senator P.V.F. Le Claire Senator M.E. Vibert Connétable of St. Martin Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of Trinity Connétable of St. John Deputy of Trinity

Deputy of Trinity
Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)
Deputy J.J. Huet (H)
Deputy M.F. Dubras (L)
Deputy P.N. Troy (B)

Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S) Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S) Deputy J-A. Bridge (H) Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy J.A. Bernstein (B)

Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)
Deputy of St. Ouen

Deputy of Grouville

Deputy of St. Peter Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)
Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)

THE STATES, adopting paragraph (a) of the proposition, as amended, of the Privileges and Procedures Committee –

(a) agreed that the existing Code of Practice on Public Access to Official Information should be replaced by a Law, to be known as the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 200-.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 32 CONTRE: 12 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator J.A. Le Maistre Senator S. Syvret Senator F.H. Walker Senator W. Kinnard Senator P.V.F. Le Claire Senator M.E. Vibert Senator P.F.C. Ozouf Connétable of St. Martin Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Clement Senator T.A. Le Sueur Connétable of St. Saviour Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. Lawrence Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. John Deputy of Trinity Deputy J.J. Huet (H) Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C) Deputy F.G. Voisin (L) Connétable of St. Helier

Connétable of Trinity

Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)

Deputy of St. Martin

Deputy of St. John

Deputy M.F. Dubras (L)

Deputy P.N. Troy (B)

Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)

Deputy L.J. Farnham (S)

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S)

Deputy J-A. Bridge (H)

Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

Deputy G.P. Southern (H)

Deputy J.A. Bernstein (B)

Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)

Deputy of St. Ouen

Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H)

Deputy of Grouville

Deputy of St. Peter

Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)

Deputy M.A. Taylor (C)

THE STATES, adopting paragraphs (b) and (c) of the proposition, as amended, of the Privileges and Procedures Committee –

- (b) agreed that, subject to further consultation, the Law should be broadly based upon the key policy outcomes listed at section 17, numbers 1 to 22, of the report of the Privileges and Procedures Committee dated 19th April 2005; and,
- (c) requested the Privileges and Procedures Committee to bring forward for approval the necessary draft legislation to give effect to the decision.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 31 CONTRE: 13 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator J.A. Le Maistre
Senator S. Syvret
Senator F.H. Walker
Senator W. Kinnard
Senator P.V.F. Le Claire
Senator M.E. Vibert
Senator P.F.C. Ozouf
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of St. Clement
Connétable of St. Helier
Connétable of St. Lawrence
Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)
Deputy of St. Martin
Deputy of St. John

Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of Trinity Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. John Deputy of Trinity Deputy J.J. Huet (H) Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C) Deputy F.G. Voisin (L)

Deputy M.A. Taylor (C)

Senator T.A. Le Sueur

Connétable of St. Martin

Connétable of St. Saviour

Deputy P.N. Troy (B)
Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)
Deputy L.J. Farnham (S)

Deputy M.F. Dubras (L)

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S)

Deputy J-A. Bridge (H)

Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

Deputy G.P. Southern (H)

Deputy J.A. Bernstein (B)

Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)

Deputy of St. Ouen

Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H)

Deputy of Grouville

Deputy of St. Peter

Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)

Change in Presidency

The Bailiff assumed the Presidency during consideration of the proposition of the Privileges and Procedures Committee regarding Freedom of Information: proposed legislation, and the meeting continued under his presidency.

Environment and Public Services: establishment of Ministers and Departments (P.120/2005) – amendment – P.120/2005 Amd. – withdrawn

THE STATES, in accordance with Standing Order 22(1), granted leave to the President of the Environment and Public Services Committee to withdraw the following matter –

Environment and Public Services: establishment of Ministers and

P.120/2005.

Amd.

Departments (P.120/2005) – amendment.

Lodged: 28th June 2005.

Environment and Public Services Committee.

Environment and Public Services: establishment of Ministers and Departments – P.120/2005 Amendments and comments

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Policy and Resources Committee, referred to their Act dated 24th July 2002, in which *inter alia* they agreed that following the introduction of the ministerial system there should be an Environment Department and a Public Services Department, both headed by a minister, and agreed to vary that decision as follows –

- (a) that there should be a Minister and Department for Planning and Environment, with the responsibilities as described in Appendix 1 of the report of the Policy and Resources Committee dated 20th June 2005 and,
- (b) that there should be a Minister and Department for Transport and Technical Services, with the responsibilities as described in Appendix 2 of the report of the Policy and Resources Committee dated 20th June 2005.

Census 2006: provision - P.116/2005

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Connétable of St. Helier concerning the provision of a Census in 2006, and, following consideration, adopted a proposition of the Deputy of St. John that in accordance with Standing Order 26A(1), the question be now put.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 29 CONTRE: 5 ABSTAIN: 1

Senator P.V.F. Le Claire

Senator J.A. Le Maistre
Senator F.H. Walker
Senator T.A. Le Sueur
Senator P.F.C. Ozouf
Connétable of St. Martin
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of St. Saviour
Connétable of St. Brelade

Senator S. Syvret
Deputy J.J. Huet (H)
Deputy P.N. Troy (B)
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)

Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H)
Deputy M.A. Taylor (C)
Deputy of St. Peter
Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

President of the Policy and Resources Committee on 1st February 2005, and charged that Committee to carry out a Census as originally planned in 2006.

THE STATES, adopting the proposition of the Connétable of St. Helier, referred to the statement made by the

Members present voted as follows -

Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of St. Lawrence Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. John Deputy of Trinity

Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)
Deputy of St. Martin
Deputy of St. John
Deputy F.G. Voisin (L)
Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)
Deputy L.J. Farnham (S)
Deputy R.G. le Hérissier (S)
Deputy J-A. Bridge (H)
Deputy J.A. Bernstein (B)
Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)

POUR: 20 CONTRE: 17 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator J.A. Le Maistre Senator F.H. Walker Senator S. Syvret Senator T.A. Le Sueur Senator P.V.F. Le Claire Senator M.E. Vibert Connétable of St. Peter Senator P.F.C. Ozouf Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of St. Martin Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. Saviour Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S) Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Lawrence Deputy J.J. Huet (H) Deputy of St. Martin Connétable of Grouville Deputy of St. John Deputy of Trinity Deputy P.N. Troy (B) Deputy F.G. Voisin (L) Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S) Deputy L.J. Farnham (S) Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S) Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B) Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H) Deputy J-A. Bridge (H)

Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy J.A. Bernstein (B)
Deputy of St. Peter
Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

Deputy M.A. Taylor (C) Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)

Adjournment

THE STATES then adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Tuesday 12th July 2005, in order to resume consideration of the outstanding matters of public business.

THE STATES rose at 7.10 p.m.

A.H. HARRIS

Deputy Greffier of the States.