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DRAFT HIRE CARS (REPEAL) (JERSEY) LAW 200-

Lodged au Greffe on 24th June 2003
by the Home Affairs Committee

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European Convention on Human Rights

The Vice-President of the Home Affairs Committee has made the following statement –

In the view of the Home Affairs Committee the provisions of the Draft Hire Cars (Repeal) (Jersey) Law 200- are compatible with the Convention Rights.

(Signed) **Connétable K. Vibert**

REPORT

This Law has been in force since 1964 and was introduced to regulate the hire car industry of the day. Now that the need for strict controls over numbers of vehicles and operators has diminished due to the ever-decreasing downturn in business (the number of hire cars fell from 3,893 in 2001 to 3,599 in 2002 with an all-time high of 13,010 in 1988), the Committee now considers that this piece of restrictive legislation has outgrown its usefulness and therefore propose to repeal it. Full consultation has taken place with the remaining hire car operators who are fully supportive of this move, with the caveat that the letter 'H' will be mandatorily retained. This will be provided for within the Motor Vehicles Registration (Jersey) Law 1993 by way of a minor amendment.

In repealing this Law it will remove the requirement of Government intervention in private business which is both unnecessary and restrictive.

The budgeted income to D.V.S. for hire cars in 2003 is £92,000 and the Finance and Economics Committee will make an adjustment to the department's future budget to achieve a neutral effect.

In repealing this Law there are no additional manpower or financial implications for the States.

European Convention on Human Rights

Article 16 of the Human Rights (Jersey) Law 2000 will, when brought into force by Act of the States, require the Committee in charge of a Projet de Loi to make a statement about the compatibility of the provisions of the Projet with the Convention rights (as defined by Article 1 of the Law). Although the Human Rights (Jersey) Law 2000 is not yet in force, on 19th June 2003 the Home Affairs Committee made the following statement before Second Reading of this projet in the States Assembly –

In the view of the Home Affairs Committee the provisions of the Draft Hire Cars (Repeal) (Jersey) Law 200- are compatible with the Convention Rights.

Explanatory Note

This Law repeals the Hire Cars (Jersey) Law 1964 with effect from 1st January 2004 or, if this Law is not registered in the Royal Court by that date, with effect from the seventh day following its registration.



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A **LAW** to repeal the Hire Cars (Jersey) Law 1964.^[1]

Adopted by the States [date to be inserted]

Sanctioned by Order of Her Majesty in Council [date to be inserted]

Registered by the Royal Court [date to be inserted]

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, have adopted the following Law –

1 Repeal

The following Laws shall be repealed –

- (a) Hire Cars (Jersey) Law 1964;^[2]
- (b) Hire Cars (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 1972;^[3]
- (c) Hire Cars (Amendment No.2) (Jersey) Law 1995.^[4]

2 Citation and commencement

This Law may be cited as the Hire Cars (Repeal) (Jersey) Law 200- and shall come into force on 1st January 2004 or, if it is registered after that day, the seventh day following its registration.

[1] *Volume 1963-1965, page 299, Volume 1970-1972, page 275, Volume 1994-1995, page 601 and R&Os 7847, 8271, 8629, 8990 and 9292.*

[2] *Volume 1963-1965, page 299.*

[3] *Volume 1970-1972, page 275.*

[4] *Volume 1994-1995, page 601.*