## WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE BY DEPUTY D.W. MEZBOURIAN OF ST. LAWRENCE

## ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2006

## **Question**

For the years 2001 to 2005 inclusive, would the Minister inform members –

- (a) of the names of all courses undertaken by Jersey students attending University, irrespective of the location?
- (b) of the number of students studying each course?
- (c) of the total cost to the Department for each year?
- (d) of the number of students, if any, withdrawing from any course without completing it?
- (e) of the cost to the Department for those students who did not complete a course? and,
- (f) how many students are known to have returned to work in Jersey?

## **Answer**

- (a & b) The attached schedules detail the names of all courses undertaken by Jersey students from 2001 2005. The schedules also detail the number of students attending each course.
- (c) The total cost (of higher education courses) to the Department for each year

2001 £9.04m 2002 £9.07m 2003 £8.49m 2004 £8.9m 2005 £9.6m.

(d & e) Undergraduate withdrawals from university

Year	Number	Cost (£)*
2001/2	20	130,000
2002/3	24	156,000
2003/4	15	97,500
2004/5	25	162,500
2005/6	23	149,000

<sup>\*</sup> based on an average cost of £6,500 per student.

- (f) The only precise way that we have of determining if students have returned is to submit Social Security numbers to that Department to check if that number is active on the Island. From a survey conducted two years ago it was found that -
  - approximately 29% of graduates returned to the Island immediately;
  - with 10 years, approximately 62% of graduates had returned to Jersey;
  - of this 62% just under quarter had brought with them a graduate partner.