



**THE STATES assembled on Wednesday
19th March 2025, at 9.30 a.m. under
the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff,
Robert James MacRae, Esquire.**

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

Connétable Marcus O'Donnel Troy of St. Clement – excused attendance
Deputy Carolyn Fiona Labey of Grouville and St. Martin – en défaut (défaut raised at 09:40 a.m.)
Deputy Louise Mary Catherine Doublet of St. Saviour – absent on States business
Deputy Hilary Louise Jeune of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity – absent on States business

Prayers

Standing Order 55A – remote participation

THE STATES, with reference to their Act dated 14th September 2021, in which they had agreed that, notwithstanding Standing Order 55A(1), Members who did not wish to attend in the States Chamber might continue to take part in States meetings using Microsoft Teams (until the States had considered and voted upon a proposition to re-apply Standing Order 55A(1) or to repeal or vary the terms of the Standing Order), assembled in accordance with Standing Order 55A with Members able to participate remotely using Microsoft Teams. The following Members attended remotely, either for all or part of the meeting –

Connétable Richard Anthony Kingston Honeycombe of St. Ouen

Documents presented

Road Traffic: offences and penalties. (P.23/2025) – Children's Rights Impact Assessment. P.23/2025.
Add.
Presented: 19th March 2025, *Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central.*

Notification of lodged propositions

Road Traffic: offences and penalties. P.23/2025.
Lodged: 19th March 2025, *Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central.*

Personal statement

(see Official Report/Hansard)

Deputy Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf of St. Saviour made a personal statement.

Re-instatement of Senators P.2/2025

THE STATES, resuming consideration of a proposition of Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity entitled 'Re-instatement of Senators' (P.2/2025), rejected an amendment of Deputy Thomas Antony Coles of St. Helier South (P.2/2025 Amd.), that, in Paragraph (a), for the word

“offices” there should be substituted the word “office”; the words “Connétable and” should be deleted; for the words “one Deputy from each of the nine electoral constituencies”, there should be substituted the words, “the role of the Connétables as Voting Members”; and for the word “nine” there should be substituted the word “twelve”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 11

Deputy G.P. Southern
Deputy M. Tadier
Deputy S.M. Ahier
Deputy R.J. Ward
Deputy C.S. Alves
Deputy S.Y. Mézec
Deputy T.A. Coles
Deputy J. Renouf
Deputy C.D. Curtis
Deputy L.V. Feltham
Deputy R.S. Kovacs

CONTRE: 33

Connétable of St. Helier
Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Brelade
Connétable of Trinity
Connétable of St. Peter
Connétable of St. Martin
Connétable of St. John
Connétable of Grouville
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of St. Mary
Connétable of St. Saviour
Deputy C.F. Labey
Deputy S.G. Luce
Deputy K.F. Morel
Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
Deputy I.J. Gorst
Deputy L.J. Farnham
Deputy K.L. Moore
Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf
Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
Deputy D.J. Warr
Deputy H.M. Miles
Deputy M.R. Scott
Deputy R.E. Binet
Deputy M.E. Millar
Deputy A. Howell
Deputy T.J.A. Binet
Deputy M.R. Ferey
Deputy A.F. Curtis
Deputy B. Ward
Deputy K.M. Wilson
Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson
Deputy M.B. Andrews

ABSTAINED: 1

Deputy I. Gardiner

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, rejected an amendment of Deputy Samuel Yves Mézec of St. Helier South (P.2/2025 Amd.(2), that –

in Paragraph (a), the words “by removing one Deputy from each of the nine electoral constituencies and substituting nine Senators in their place; and” should be deleted;

after paragraph (a) there should be inserted a new paragraph (b) as follows and the subsequent paragraphs should be re-designated accordingly –

“(b) that an Independent Boundaries Commission, as approved by the Assembly under P.139/2020, should be established to produce an analysis of the impact of reintroduction of

Senators on voter equity and the Island's compliance with the Venice Commission's Code of Good Practice in Electoral Matters; and"; and

in Paragraph (b), after the words "to bring forward the" there should be inserted the words "findings of the Independent Boundaries Commission to the Assembly prior to implementation of the"; after the words "to give effect to" there should be inserted the words "part (a) of"; and the words "in time for the General Election in 2026" should be deleted.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 11

Deputy G.P. Southern
Deputy M. Tadier
Deputy S.M. Ahier
Deputy R.J. Ward
Deputy C.S. Alves
Deputy S.Y. Mézec
Deputy T.A. Coles
Deputy J. Renouf
Deputy C.D. Curtis
Deputy L.V. Feltham
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CONTRE: 33

Connétable of St. Helier
Connétable of St. Lawrence
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Deputy C.F. Labey
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Deputy A.F. Curtis
Deputy B. Ward
Deputy K.M. Wilson
Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson
Deputy M.B. Andrews

ABSTAINED: 1

Deputy I. Gardiner

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, rejected Part 1 of an amendment of Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter (P.2/2025 Amd.(4), that –

in paragraph (a), after the words "constituencies and substituting", there should be substituted the word "nine", with the word "seven"; after the words "in their place", there should be inserted the words, "reducing the number of Members within the States Assembly to 47".

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 8

Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. John
 Deputy I. Gardiner
 Deputy I.J. Gorst
 Deputy K.L. Moore
 Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
 Deputy D.J. Warr
 Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson

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Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Deputy G.P. Southern
 Deputy C.F. Labey
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 Deputy T.A. Coles
 Deputy B.B. de S.V.M. Porée
 Deputy H.M. Miles
 Deputy M.R. Scott
 Deputy C.D. Curtis
 Deputy L.V. Feltham
 Deputy R.E. Binet
 Deputy M.E. Millar
 Deputy A. Howell
 Deputy T.J.A. Binet
 Deputy M.R. Ferey
 Deputy R.S. Kovacs
 Deputy A.F. Curtis
 Deputy B. Ward
 Deputy K.M. Wilson
 Deputy M.B. Andrews

ABSTAIN: 0

Following the rejection of Part 1 of the amendment of Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter (P.2/2025 Amd.(4)), the Deputy Bailiff informed the Assembly that Part 2 of the amendment was deemed to have been withdrawn.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, rejected Part 3 of the amendment of Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Ouen, St. Mary and St. Peter (P.2/2025 Amd.(4)), that, after paragraph (a), there should be inserted a new paragraph (b) as follows and the subsequent paragraphs re-designated accordingly –

“(b) that the Senators should form the entire Council of Ministers;”

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 3

Deputy I. Gardiner

CONTRE: 42

Connétable of St. Helier

ABSTAINED: 0

Deputy K.L. Moore
Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson

Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Brelade
Connétable of Trinity
Connétable of St. Peter
Connétable of St. Martin
Connétable of St. John
Connétable of St. Clement
Connétable of Grouville
Connétable of St. Ouen
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Deputy G.P. Southern
Deputy C.F. Labey
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Deputy A.F. Curtis
Deputy B. Ward
Deputy K.M. Wilson
Deputy M.B. Andrews

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity entitled ‘Re-instatement of Senators’ (P.2/2025), rejected an amendment of Deputy Montfort Tadier of St. Brelade (P.2/2025 Amd.(5)), that, after paragraph (a), there should be inserted the following new paragraph (b) and the subsequent paragraph redesignated accordingly –

“(b) that the election for Senators should be held in advance of the deadline for nomination of any other class of candidate for election as a States Assembly Member; and”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 22

CONTRE: 24

ABSTAINED: 0

Connétable of St. Helier
Deputy G.P. Southern

Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Brelade

Deputy M. Tadier	Connétable of Trinity
Deputy K.F. Morel	Connétable of St. Peter
Deputy R.J. Ward	Connétable of St. Martin
Deputy C.S. Alves	Connétable of St. John
Deputy I. Gardiner	Connétable of St. Clement
Deputy S.Y. Mézec	Connétable of Grouville
Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf	Connétable of St. Ouen
Deputy T.A. Coles	Connétable of St. Mary
Deputy B.B. de S.V.M. Porée	Connétable of St. Saviour
Deputy D.J. Warr	Deputy C.F. Labey
Deputy H.M. Miles	Deputy S.G. Luce
Deputy M.R. Scott	Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
Deputy C.D. Curtis	Deputy S.M. Ahier
Deputy L.V. Feltham	Deputy I.J. Gorst
Deputy R.E. Binet	Deputy L.J. Farnham
Deputy A. Howell	Deputy K.L. Moore
Deputy T.J.A. Binet	Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
Deputy R.S. Kovacs	Deputy M.E. Millar
Deputy A.F. Curtis	Deputy M.R. Ferey
Deputy M.B. Andrews	Deputy B. Ward
	Deputy K.M. Wilson
	Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson

Adjournment

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Thursday 20th March 2025 to continue consideration of the proposition of Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity entitled 'Re-instatement of Senators' (P.2/2025) and the other outstanding propositions listed for the meeting.

THE STATES rose at 5.18 p.m.

W.J.C. MILLOW

Deputy Greffier of the States