



**THE STATES assembled on Tuesday  
13th December 2016, at 09.30 a.m. under  
the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff,  
Timothy John Le Cocq, Esquire.**

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

Senator Paul Francis Routier, M.B.E. – absent on States business  
Senator Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf – absent on States business (arrived in the Chamber at 3.46 p.m.)  
Senator Lyndon John Farnham – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.35 a.m.)  
Senator Sir Philip Martin Bailhache – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.37 a.m.)  
Deputy Carolyn Fiona Labey of Grouville – absent on States business  
Deputy John Alexander Nicholas Le Fondré of St. Lawrence – excused attendance  
Deputy Michael Roderick Higgins of St. Helier – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.35 a.m.)  
Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Peter – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.58 a.m.)  
Deputy Richard John Rondel of St. Helier – ill  
Deputy Louise Mary Catherine Doublet of St. Saviour – excused attendance  
Deputy Scott Michael Wickenden of St. Helier – absent on States business  
Deputy Peter Derek McLinton of St. Saviour – ill

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Prayers

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**The Very Reverend Dean of Jersey – retirement**

The Deputy Bailiff advised the Assembly that the Dean, the Very Reverend Robert Frederick Key, B.A., had given notice that he would retire as Dean of Jersey with effect from 28th February 2017.

**Documents presented or laid**

Post-Implementation Review of Jersey's High Value Residents Regime Applicable since July 2011. R.130/2016.  
Presented: 13th December 2016.  
*Minister for Treasury and Resources.*

States of Jersey Investment Strategies (December 2016). R.131/2016.  
Presented: 13th December 2016.  
*Minister for Treasury and Resources.*

**Notification of lodged propositions**

Draft Budget Statement 2017 (P.109/2016): second amendment P.109/2016.  
(P.109/2016 Amd.(2)) – amendment. Amd.(2)  
Lodged: 13th December 2016. Amd.  
*Minister for Treasury and Resources.*

**Draft Budget Statement 2017 P.109/2016**

THE STATES commenced consideration of the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources entitled 'Draft Budget Statement 2017' (P.109/2016) and, adopting paragraph (i) of an amendment of Deputy Russell Labey of St. Helier (P.109/2016 Amd.), agreed that, after the words "as set out in the Budget Statement", there should be inserted the words "except that the estimate of income from taxation during 2017 shall be decreased by £690,000 by increasing duty on all categories of alcohol by the June 2016 RPI figure of 1.5% and not by the percentages proposed in the draft Budget Statement".

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 24**

Senator S.C. Ferguson  
 Connétable of St. Helier  
 Connétable of St. Clement  
 Connétable of St. Mary  
 Connétable of St. Ouen  
 Connétable of St. Martin  
 Connétable of St. Saviour  
 Connétable of Grouville  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Connétable of Trinity  
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)  
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)  
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)  
 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 R. Labey (H)  
 Deputy S.M. Bree (C)  
 Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)  
 Deputy of St. Mary

**CONTRE: 17**

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
 Senator A.J.H. Maclean  
 Senator I.J. Gorst  
 Senator P.M. Bailhache  
 Senator A.K.F. Green  
 Connétable of St. Peter  
 Connétable of St. Lawrence  
 Connétable of St. Brelade  
 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)

**ABSTAIN: 0**

THE STATES rejected paragraph (ii) of the amendment of Deputy Russell Labey of St. Helier (P.109/2016 Amd.) that, after the words "as set out in the Budget Statement", there should be inserted the words "except that the estimate of income from taxation during 2017 shall be decreased by £590,000 by increasing duty on fuel by the June 2016 RPI figure of 1.5% and not by the 4.3% proposed in the draft Budget Statement".

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 20**

Senator S.C. Ferguson  
 Connétable of St. Clement  
 Connétable of St. Mary  
 Connétable of St. Ouen  
 Connétable of St. Martin  
 Connétable of St. Saviour  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

**CONTRE: 22**

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
 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

**ABSTAIN: 0**

Deputy G.P. Southern (H)	Connétable of St. Lawrence
Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)	Connétable of St. Brelade
Deputy M. Tadier (B)	Connétable of Grouville
Deputy of St. John	Connétable of Trinity
Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)	Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)	Deputy of Trinity
Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)	Deputy E.J. Noel (L)
Deputy of St. Ouen	Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
Deputy R. Labey (H)	Deputy of St. Martin
Deputy S.M. Bree (C)	Deputy R.G. Bryans (H)
Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)	Deputy of St. Peter
Deputy of St. Mary	Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)
	Deputy M.J. Norton (B)
	Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

### Arrangement of business for the present meeting

THE STATES approved the request of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, in accordance with Standing Order 26(7), to reduce the minimum lodging period in respect of his proposition entitled ‘Draft Budget Statement 2017 (P.109/2016): second amendment (P.109/2016 Amd.(2)) – amendment’ (P.109/2016 Amd.(2)Amd.) to allow the proposition to be debated at the present meeting.

Members present voted as follows –

#### **POUR: 37**

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
 Senator A.J.H. Maclean  
 Senator I.J. Gorst  
 Senator L.J. Farnham  
 Senator P.M. Bailhache  
 Senator A.K.F. Green  
 Senator S.C. Ferguson  
 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 St. Martin  
 Connétable of St. Saviour  
 Connétable of Grouville  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Connétable of Trinity  
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)  
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)  
 Deputy of Trinity  
 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.J. Pinel (C)  
 Deputy of St. Martin  
 Deputy of St. Peter

#### **CONTRE: 1**

Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

#### **ABSTAIN: 0**

Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)  
 Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)  
 Deputy of St. Ouen  
 Deputy S.M. Bree (C)  
 Deputy M.J. Norton (B)  
 Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)  
 Deputy of St. Mary  
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

### **Draft Budget Statement 2017 P.109/2016**

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the ‘Draft Budget Statement 2017’ (P.109/2016), commenced consideration of an amendment of the Deputy of St. Ouen (P.109/2016 Amd.(2)) and, adopting an amendment of the Minister for Treasury and Resources to the amendment of the Deputy of St. Ouen (P.109/2016 Amd.(2)Amd.), agreed that in paragraph (ii), after the words “rates of stamp duty” there should be deleted the words “and land transaction tax”.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the amendment of the Deputy of St. Ouen, as amended, rejected the proposition that, after the words “as set out in the Budget Statement” there should be inserted the words –

“except that the estimate of income from taxation during 2017 –

- (i) shall be decreased by £220,000 by maintaining for the year 2017 the current (2016) rates of stamp duty and land transaction tax charged on residential properties; and
- (ii) shall be increased by £250,000 by increasing for the year 2017 rates of stamp duty on non-residential properties to the current (2016) rates charged on residential properties.”.

Members present voted as follows –

#### **POUR: 17**

Senator S.C. Ferguson  
 Connétable of St. Ouen  
 Connétable of St. Martin  
 Connétable of St. Saviour  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Connétable of Trinity  
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)  
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)  
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)  
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)  
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)  
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)  
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)  
 Deputy of St. Ouen  
 Deputy S.M. Bree (C)  
 Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)  
 Deputy of St. Mary

#### **CONTRE: 25**

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
 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  
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 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)  
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 Deputy of St. John  
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)  
 Deputy of St. Martin  
 Deputy R.G. Bryans (H)  
 Deputy of St. Peter

#### **ABSTAIN: 0**

Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)  
Deputy R. Labey (H)  
Deputy M.J. Norton (B)  
Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

**Adjournment**

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Wednesday 14th December 2016 to continue consideration of the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources entitled 'Draft Budget Statement 2017' (P.109/2016) and associated amendments, and other outstanding items of public business.

THE STATES rose at 5.36 p.m.

**L.-M. HART**

*Deputy Greffier of the States*