

STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 16th June 2009

A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Extradition (Jersey) Law 2004 (Multiple Offences) (Jersey) Order 2009. R&O.52/2009.
Minister for Home Affairs.

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED OR LAID

States Members' Remuneration Review Body: recommendations for 2009- R.61/2009.
2011 – Part 1, level of remuneration and expenses.
Presented: 12th June 2009.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

States Members' Remuneration Review Body: recommendations for 2009- R.62/2009.
2011 – Part 2, pensions, severance and differentiation.
Presented: 12th June 2009.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

States Employees: pay increase for 2009/2010 (P.68/2009) – second R.68/2009.
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G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

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I. QUESTIONS

(a) – **Written Questions**
(attached)

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier regarding the bond for the development of the Waterfront by Harcourt.
2. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Senator B.E. Shenton regarding the regulation of Housing Trusts in the Island.
3. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier regarding the protection of vulnerable children.

4. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question tabled by Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier regarding the legal aid system.
5. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour regarding the assets of Woolworths.
6. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour regarding youth unemployment.
7. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the removal of protected payments from those in receipt of Income Support.
8. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier regarding Income Support assessments.
9. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the impact on daily benefit rates for those no longer receiving protected payments under the Income Support system.
10. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the financial benefit for Income Support claimants to seek employment.
11. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the subsidisation of sub-minimum wage rates for waiters by the use of tips in restaurants.
12. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the CD fulfilment market.
13. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the cost of G.P. visits in 2008.
14. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Reciprocal Health Agreement with the United Kingdom.

(b) – Oral Questions

(90 minutes)

1. Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Would the Minister advise the Assembly who is on the working party looking into the issue of allotments, to which he referred in the States on 28th April 2009, who is the Chairman and what progress, if any, has been made?”
2. The Deputy of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Further to her answer on 2nd June 2009 when the Minister said “In the beginning my highest priority is safety of all patients and all procedures and things that were involved in that tragic day will be reviewed”, would she explain who will be investigating the actions of all persons

present in the operating theatre, given that Verita's Terms of Reference specifically avoid acts and omissions of individuals involved with the tragic operation?"

3. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Will the Minister detail for members the growth of the Social Security budget which has led to the total budget exceeding that of the Health and Social Services Department, as he stated in the debate on the Strategic Plan, and indicate the extent to which the various sectors of the budget are affected?”

4. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –

“Is the Minister satisfied that the grant system for higher education is fair, and if not what steps is he taking to make it fairer?”

5. Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“What procedures, if any, are in place to ensure current Sunday trading laws and regulations are applied with consistency?”

6. The Deputy of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Given that during the debate of P.48/2009 (Draft Shipping (Safety of Navigation) (Jersey) Regulations 200-) on 19th May 2009, the Minister maintained that the legislation had been circulated to Marine Traders for consultation, could he confirm the list of those consulted, given that the Traders names do not appear on the consultation document issued by the Regulatory Services on 19th May 2008, and, if not, could he explain why?”

7. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“Will the Chief Minister inform members what consideration, if any, has been given to which areas of public sector services might be subject to more private sector involvement or outsourcing as agreed within the Strategic Plan, when will he inform the Assembly of such plans and advise what numbers of public sector workers he expects to be subject to these processes in the coming 2 years, along with any associated expenditure targets?”

8. The Deputy of Grouville will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –

“Following claims of 'an urgent desperate need' for sheltered housing during the debate to re-zone 60 vergées of countryside in 2008, can the Minister advise what work, if any, he has undertaken with the Connétables to develop a coherent criteria for admittance onto the waiting lists, whether the lists will be held in the parishes or centrally, and explain how many homes have been built or the building works commenced?”

9. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Notwithstanding annual fluctuations, is the Minister aware of the pressure on bed space with the mental health service and the subsequent pressure this is putting on staff; and, if so, what steps, if any, are being taken to resolve this issue?”

10. The Deputy of St. John will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“Given that in the past each Parish had Emergency Planning Liaison Officers at no extra cost, would the Chief Minister explain why it was decided to disband this system 3 years ago and employ additional staff at the Emergency Planning Department, and why no full Island Emergency Exercise has taken place in the last 3 years to help our Emergency Services gain hands on experience with all their key counterparts?”

11. Deputy R.G. Le Hérisssier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Is the Fiscal Stimulus package designed to deal with the very real possibility of "white collar" unemployment?”

12. Senator S. Syvret will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Does the Minister consider that the Terms of Reference produced by Health and Social Services for the Verita Inquiry are flawed, as they expressly exclude consideration of “the acts and omissions of individuals”, thus rendering an effective examination of the care and treatment of Elizabeth Rourke impossible, given that such care and treatment as she received was the responsibility of a variety of individuals?”

13. The Deputy of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Minister for Home Affairs –

“Will the Minister update Members on the Wiltshire Police investigation into the events which led to the suspension of the Chief Officer of the States of Jersey Police, will the report be presented as promised at the end of June and will the Jersey Police Complaints Authority have a role in approving the final report, if not which Police Authority will give its approval?”

14. Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Is the Minister aware that the Solicitor General has issued proceedings relating to the appointment of a Guardian and Advocate to represent vulnerable children and to clarify the current basis on which lawyers should be paid and, if so, what action, if any, will she be taking?”

15. The Deputy of St. Mary will ask the following question of the Minister for Planning and Environment –

“Will the Minister advise whether one proposal being considered by the North of Town Masterplan team is to build housing actually on the Gas Place end of the Millennium Town Park site and, if so, does he consider this to be a betrayal of all those who signed the petition for the Park’s creation?”

16. The Deputy of St. Mary will ask the following question of the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee –

“In view of the inevitable arguments over detail which accompany any proposal to change the Island's electoral system, will the Chairman confirm that the Committee has identified clearly the underlying principles of electoral reform, and if so, will she advise members what these principles are?”

17. Deputy T. Pitman of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Given his responsibility for the administration of the Harbour, will the Minister advise the Assembly what action, if any, he will take to address the use of the area along the Albert Quay as a race track by convoys of cars and motorbikes, given that this anti-social behaviour has made the lives of many residents within the adjacent flats a misery through noise and safety fears?”

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice (30 minutes) –

1st question period – Minister for Housing

2nd question period – Chief Minister

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002: rescindment of Article 39A. P.18/2009.
Lodged: 4th February 2009.
Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002: rescindment of Article 39A (P.18/2009)– P.18/2009.
addendum. Add.
Presented: 22nd May 2009.
Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

Committee of Inquiry into the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Rourke. P.76/2009.
Lodged: 29th May 2009.
Senator S. Syvret.

Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005: proposed changes. P.54/2009
Lodged: 9th April 2009.
Public Accounts Committee.

Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005: proposed changes (P.54/2009) – comments. P.54/2009.
Presented: 28th May 2009. Com.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Rent Control Tribunal: appointment of Chairman and Members. P.65/2009
Lodged: 11th May 2009.
Minister for Housing.

States Employees Standing for Election: use of annual leave and time off in P.66/2009.
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Lodged: 11th May 2009.
Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier.

States Employees Standing for Election: use of annual leave and time off in lieu P.66/2009.
(P.66/2009) – comments. Com.
Presented: 2nd June 2009.
Chief Minister.

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| Insolvency: Temporary Scheme for Compensatory Payment – Extension. Lodged: 12th May 2009. <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.</i> | P.67/2009. |
| Insolvency: Temporary Scheme for Compensatory Payment – Extension (P.67/2009) – comments. Presented: 1st June 2009. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i> | P.67/2009. Com. |
| Commissioners of Appeal for Income Tax: appointment. Lodged: 13th May 2009. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i> | P.70/2009. |
| Waterfront Enterprise Board: appointment of Directors. Lodged: 2nd June 2009. <i>Chief Minister.</i> | P.80/2009. |
| Draft Companies (Takeovers and Mergers Panel) (Jersey) Law 2009 (Appointed Day) Act 200-. Lodged: 2nd June 2009. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.90/2009. |
| States of Jersey Complaints Panel: appointment of members. Lodged: 2nd June 2009. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i> | P.92/2009. |

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

30th June 2009

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| States Members' remuneration for 2009. Lodged: 19th February 2009. <i>Connétable of St. Peter</i> | P.24/2009. |
| States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): comments. Presented: 5th March 2009. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i> | P.24/2009. Com. |
| States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): amendment. Lodged: 3rd March 2009. <i>Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier.</i> | P.24/2009. Amd. |
| Ann Court Site, St. Helier: use for sheltered social housing for the over55s. Lodged: 27th March 2009. <i>Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier.</i> | P.43/2009. |
| Child abuse compensation claims: freedom of expression for survivors. Lodged: 6th April 2009. <i>Senator S. Syvret.</i> | P.49/2009. |
| Child abuse compensation claims: freedom of expression for survivors (P.49/2009) – comments. Presented: 11th May 2009. <i>Council of Ministers.</i> | P.49/2009. Com. |

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| Child abuse compensation claims: freedom of expression for survivors (P.49/2009) – amendment. Lodged: 29th April 2009. <i>Council of Ministers.</i> | P.49/2009. Amd. |
| Draft Social Security (Television Licence Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. Lodged: 5th May 2009. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i> | P.64/2009. |
| Draft Social Security (Television Licence Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.64/2009): amendment. Lodged: 2nd June 2009. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i> | P.64/2009. Amd. |
| States Employees: pay increase for 2009/2010 Lodged: 12th May 2009. <i>Deputy of St. John.</i> | P.68/2009. |
| States Employees: pay increase for 2009/2010 (P.68/2009) – amendment. Lodged: 19th May 2009. <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.</i> | P.68/2009. Amd. |
| States Employees: pay increase for 2009/2010 (P.68/2009) – second amendment. Lodged: 12th June 2009. <i>Connétable of St. Peter.</i> | P.68/2009. Amd.(2) |
| Jersey Mutual Insurance Society Incorporated: alteration of Fundamental Rules – Petition. Lodged: 19th May 2009. <i>Connétable of St. Saviour.</i> | P.71/2009. |
| Draft Employment (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law 2009 (Appointed Day) Act 200-. Lodged: 21st May 2009. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i> | P.73/2009. |
| Esplanade Quarter and Waterfront development: deferral. Lodged: 29th May 2009. <i>Deputy of St. John.</i> | P.77/2009. |
| Suspension of States Employees: Composition of Review Panel. Lodged: 3rd June 2009. <i>Deputy of St. Martin.</i> | P.98/2009. |
| Draft Court of Appeal (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Law 2008 (Appointed Day) Act 200-. Lodged: 4th June 2009. <i>Chief Minister.</i> | P.99/2009. |
| <u>14th July 2009</u> | |
| Electricity tariffs: Regulations under Article 22 of the Electricity (Jersey) Law 1937. Lodged: 24th March 2009. <i>Senator A. Breckon.</i> | P.41/2009. |

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| Electricity tariffs: Regulations under Article 22 of the Electricity (Jersey) Law 1937 (P.41/2009) – comments. Presented: 27th April 2009. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.41/2009. Com. |
| Electricity tariffs: Regulations under Article 22 of the Electricity (Jersey) Law 1937 (P.41/2009) – amendment. Lodged: 26th May 2009. <i>Senator A. Breckon.</i> | P.41/2009. Amd. |
| Draft Sea Fisheries (Satellite Monitoring) (Jersey) Regulations 200. Lodged: 14th April 2009. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.56/2009. |
| Draft Sea Fisheries (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. Lodged: 14th April 2009. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.57/2009. |
| Draft Sea Fisheries (Bag Limits) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. Lodged: 14th April 2009. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.58/2009. |
| Composition and election of the States: revised structure. Lodged: 19th May 2009. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i> | P.72/2009. |
| Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Law 200-. Lodged: 21st May 2009. <i>Minister for Housing.</i> | P.74/2009. |
| Draft Amendment (No. 11) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey. Lodged: 27th May 2009. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i> | P.75/2009. |
| Annual Business Plan 2009: variation in respect of pay freeze. Lodged: 29th May 2009. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i> | P.78/2009. |
| Property and Infrastructure Regeneration: the States of Jersey Development Company Limited. Lodged: 2nd June 2009. <i>Council of Ministers.</i> | P.79/2009. |
| Property and Infrastructure Regeneration: the States of Jersey Development Company Limited (P.79/2009) – amendment. Lodged: 8th June 2009. <i>Connétable of St. Helier.</i> | P.79/2009. Amd. |
| Draft Income Tax (Amendment No. 32) (Jersey) Law 200. Lodged: 2nd June 2009. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i> | P.81/2009. |
| Draft Income Tax (Amendment No. 33) (Jersey) Law 200. Lodged: 2nd June 2009. | P.82/2009. |

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005: funding requests under Article 11(8). P.83/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Strategic Reserve Fund: use for Bank Depositors' Compensation Scheme. P.84/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Public Finances (Depositors Compensation) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. P.85/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Banking Business (Depositors Compensation) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. P.86/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Banking (Depositors Compensation) (Jersey) Regulations 200. P.87/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Foundations (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. P.88/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Foundations (Continuance) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. P.89/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Companies (Takeovers and Mergers Panel) (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) P.91/2009.
Regulations 200-.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Regulations 200. P.93/2009.
Lodged: 2nd June 2009.

Minister for Social Security.

Ratification of the Agreement for the exchange of information relating to tax P.94/2009.
matters between the States of Jersey and France.

Lodged: 3rd June 2009.

Chief Minister.

Cannot be debated until 15th July 2009

Ratification of the Agreement for the exchange of information relating to tax P.95/2009.
matters between the States of Jersey and Ireland.

Lodged: 3rd June 2009.

Chief Minister.

Cannot be debated until 15th July 2009

Ratification of the Agreement for the exchange of information relating to tax P.96/2009.
matters between the States of Jersey and the United Kingdom.

Lodged: 3rd June 2009.

Chief Minister.

Cannot be debated until 15th July 2009

Draft Taxation (Exchange of Information with Third Countries) (Amendment P.97/2009.

No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 200.
Lodged: 3rd June 2009.
Chief Minister.
Cannot be debated until 15th July 2009

M.N. DE LA HAYE
Greffier of the States

11th June 2009

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2009 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th June 2009.

Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.52/2009.

This Order provides that, where a request for extradition or re-extradition is made in respect of more than one offence, the Extradition (Jersey) Law 2004 is to have effect with the modifications specified in the Order.

For the purposes of this Order, it is immaterial whether an extradition offence is committed before or after the commencement of this Order.

This Order applies to a request for extradition or re-extradition made under the Extradition (Jersey) Law 2004, whenever made.

The Order was made 11th June 2009 and comes into force 18th June 2009.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier –

“In view of the recent down grading by the credit rating agency Standard and Poor’s of the Irish Governments ability to pay its debts, would the Minister confirm whether the bond to be given by Harcourt will be rated by Standard & Poor’s, Fitch or Moody, in order to give the independent assurance required to progress the project and ensure that the highest standards of fiscal probity are being met?”

2. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to the following question asked by Senator B.E. Shenton

“Does the Minister plan to bring in regulation of Housing Trusts at least equivalent to UK regulation and, if so, when?”

Given that many properties were transferred into the Trusts at a discount – what happens to any increase in value that accrues during the trust’s ownership of the property?

What rights, if any, do the States have to nominate tenants for Trust properties?

Do the States have any controls/powers in respect of composition of the Trustees and/or powers to remove Trustees?”

3. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier

“Is the Minister committed to ensuring that vulnerable children such as the X children continue to receive effective representation so that their voice is heard and their interests safeguarded?”

4. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question tabled by Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier –

“Is the Chief Minister confident that there is equality between the state and other litigants when the Law Officers act in a criminal or civil case, either in person or through a Crown Advocate, and when the other litigants involved might have to be represented by an assigned and unfunded lawyer under Jersey’s legal aid system?”

Does the Chief Minister agree that there should be a funded legal aid system, such as that which exists in Guernsey which permits a greater choice for litigants and encourages specialist lawyers to be matched to particular types of cases?

What investigations, if any, has the Chief Minister made as to improving the current legal aid system and ensuring that it complies with the European Convention on Human Rights and, if none, does he intend to request any investigation of the current system?

Is the Chief Minister concerned as to the workings of the current unfunded legal aid system in Jersey, which operates on a rota basis with lawyers being assigned cases in turn, irrespective of their particular area of expertise?”

5. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le

Hérissier of St. Saviour –

“Will claims by the States of Jersey upon the assets of Woolworths be directed to a Jersey or United Kingdom entity and are the Jersey assets of Woolworths ringfenced for sole use on the Island?”

6. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour –

“What steps, if any, will the Minister be taking to obtain a more accurate picture of the rate of youth unemployment?”

7. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister explain to members why the number of households on transition payments in Income Support (IS) has fallen to 2,734, according to answers given to the Assembly on 28th April 2009, when the report “Distributional analysis of income support households” of June 2008 showed 3,559 households in receipt of such protected payments?”

Will he further state how many of these 800 plus households have had their protection payments removed due to the practice of treating any change of circumstances as a new application for IS which does not qualify for protected payments?

In addition, will he explain to members how this practice fits with his commitment to extend 100% transitional protection from October 2009 to January 2010 and then to October 2010 through the Economic Stimulus package as revealed in his answer on 28th April 2009?

Will he also give members an estimate of how much money has been cut from benefit support through this practice over the past year?”

8. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier –

“Would the Minister inform members how much it would cost the Department if, when assessing people in receipt of Long Term Incapacity Allowance (LTIA), Short Term Incapacity Allowance (STIA) and Invalidity benefit for Income support, this was not classed as income? Further, what the breakdown of these costs would be?”

Would the Minister inform members how many times he has exercised his incumbent powers of discretion on decisions affecting applicants for special payments and childcare costs? What were these special payment applicants applying for? What was his decision on each case?

Would the Minister inform members how many recipients of LTIA have been informed by the Medical Board that they are able to work (thus receiving less benefit) but contrary to this decision have been informed by the recipient's GP that they can not work?

Would the Minister explain the logic as to why when a recipient of LTIA, STIA, and Invalidity Benefit receives an increase on this benefit, their Income Support is lowered?”

9. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Can the Minister confirm whether a single person with monthly earnings of around £1,200, with no dependants and receiving Income Support of around £40 per week towards rent of £650 per month for a 1-bed flat, will have this support removed following the removal of transition support and ,if so, would the Minister demonstrate whether such a person will be better off in or out of work at current rates following this removal?”

10. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Following his announcement on 28th April 2009 that the period of Income Support (IS) transition protection was to be extended, will the Minister give a detailed breakdown of the amounts of daily benefit (in real not percentage terms) banded in £10 intervals which protected IS claimants will lose when protection is removed over the 3 to 5 year phased reduction period?”

11. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Following the moves by the United Kingdom government to eliminate the widespread practice of subsidising sub-minimum wage rates for waiters by the use of tips in restaurants, will the Minister state what research, if any, the Social Security Department has undertaken to determine the extent of this practice locally, and if none, will he agree to investigate such practice?”

12. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister inform members of the extent to which foreign registered companies are still using Jersey’s tax status to exploit the de-minimis CD fulfilment market?”

13. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier – “Would the Minister please advise:

- (a) how many general practitioners are licensed in the Island under the health insurance fund;
- (b) the number of patient visits in 2008 for which money was paid to supplement the cost of medical advice and assistance to patients;
- (c) the amount of money paid to general practitioners in 2008 by the Social Security Department in respect to these visits; and,
- (d) whether his Department collates information from general practitioners on the amount that each patient had to pay for doctors’ consultations in 2008 (broken down for consultations, cost of injections etc) and, if so, will he provide a breakdown for members?”

14. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Following allegations by a retired civil servant that successive Health Ministers and Chief Officers of Health have deliberately manipulated the figures in returns to the United Kingdom regarding the cost of services provided in Jersey under the Reciprocal Health Agreement, would the Minister advise the Assembly whether the allegations are correct; and, if so, identify the persons responsible for providing misleading information to the United Kingdom?”

ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

(See Item I(c))

1st Session –

| | First 15 minute period | Second 15 minute period |
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| 30th June | Transport and Technical Services | Treasury and Resources |
| 14th July | Economic Development | Chief Minister |