

STATES OF JERSEY



REPORTING ON MINISTERIAL ACTIVITIES (P.71/2024): AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 21st January 2025
by Deputy K.L. Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter
Earliest date for debate: 4th February 2025

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For the words “31st December 2024” substitute the words “30th April 2025” and for the words “1st January” substitute the words “30th June”.

2 PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH (a) –

Delete the word “all” and after the words “Assistant Ministers” insert the words “regarding Government matters”.

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Note: After this amendment, the proposition would read as follows –

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –

to request the Chief Minister to update the Codes of Conduct and Practice for Ministers and Assistant Ministers, before **30th April 2025**, to enable new practices to be implemented on **30th June** 2025, to include the requirement for –

- (a) details of external meetings attended by Ministers and Assistant Ministers **regarding Government matters** to be published monthly in arrears on the Government website; and
- (b) details of all off-Island travel by Ministers and Assistant Ministers, including the costs incurred, to be published within 30 days of return to the Island on the Government website.

REPORT

This amendment follows the proposal and adoption of Standing Order 85 (Proposal to Move to the next item) during the debate on the Reporting of Ministerial Activities (P.71/2024) on 11th December 2024.

It was considered that the implementation of P.71/2024 would not be achievable by the proposed date of 1st January 2025. The amendment replaces this date with a new date, 30th June 2025, for implementation to ensure there is sufficient time to enable the necessary updates to the Codes of Conduct for Ministers and Assistant Ministers to be carried out.

Concerns were raised during the curtailed debate in respect of the ramifications of publishing **all** external meetings attended by Ministers and Assistant Ministers. The amendment removes the word “all” leaving the decision as to which meeting details are to be published, and how they are to be described, to be determined by the relevant Minister in consultation with their officials under the terms of the amended Codes of Conduct.

This amendment does not seek to change the wording surrounding details. As proposed, it would be for the Council of Ministers to agree the level of detail that should be included in the publication of external meetings. It is recognised there needs to be flexibility in the implementation of this proposition to ensure that Government can continue to meet with external parties in a way that best delivers for the public of the island.

Financial and staffing implications

This amendment results in no additional financial and staffing implications beyond those set out in the original proposition.

Children’s Rights Impact Assessment

A Children’s Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) has been prepared in relation to this proposition and is available to read on the States Assembly website.