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## DRAFT PLANNING AND BUILDING (AMENDMENT No. 3) (JERSEY) LAW 200- (P.128-2005): COMMENTS

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## COMMENTS

The Policy and Resources Committee has been involved in discussions with the Environment and Public Services Committee about the arrangements for dealing with planning applications in the ministerial system, and it agrees with that Committee that there are good reasons for treating planning applications as a 'special case' in the new system of government.

The Committee accordingly supports the proposal that there should be a Planning Applications Panel in the new system, chaired by an Assistant Minister and consisting also of two other States members, who will not necessarily be drawn from the Executive. The Committee notes that the appointment of a Planning Applications Panel would reflect general practice in the United Kingdom and elsewhere, including jurisdictions where a ministerial system of government has been adopted.