



**THE STATES assembled on Tuesday
7th November 2023, 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 –

Deputy Montfort Tadier of St. Brelade – excused attendance
Deputy Louise Mary Catherine Doublet of St. Saviour – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.50 a.m.)
Deputy Kirsten Francis Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity – absent on States business
Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour – absent on States business
Deputy Lucy Kate Frances Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.50 a.m.)

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.

Subordinate enactments tabled

The following enactments were tabled, namely –

Residential Tenancy (Deposit Scheme – Fee) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023. <i>Minister for Housing and Communities.</i>	R&O.88/2023.
Dormant Bank Accounts (Distribution of Fund Money) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023. <i>Chief Minister.</i>	R&O.89/2023.
Probate (Forms and Particular Holders) (Jersey) Order 2023. <i>Minister for Health and Social Services.</i>	R&O.90/2023.
Financial Services (Amendment of Law No. 6 Regulations – Commencement) (Jersey) Order 2023. <i>Chief Minister.</i>	R&O.91/2023.
Financial Services (Amendment of Schedules to Law) (No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2023. <i>Chief Minister.</i>	R&O.92/2023.
Employment (Minimum Wage) (Amendment – Single Rates) (Jersey) Order 2023. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	R&O.93/2023.

Lodging Houses (General Provisions) (Application Fee – Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023. R&O.94/2023.
Minister for Housing and Communities.

Documents presented

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): comments. P.40/2023.
 Com.
 Presented: 26th October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel.*

Reform of the composition of the States Assembly (P.76/2023): comments. P.76/2023.
 Com.
 Presented: 3rd November 2023, *Privileges and Procedures Committee.*

Health Care Expenditure Projections (P.86/2023): comments. P.86/2023.
 Com.
 Presented: 6th November 2023, *Minister for Health and Social Services.*

Draft Act declaring that the Finance (2024 Budget) (Jersey) Law 202- has immediate effect: addendum to P.91/2023. P.91/2023.
 Add.
 Presented: 2nd November 2023, *Minister for Treasury and Resources.*

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Lease of Field J525, La Rue de la Mare Ballam, St. John. R.160/2023.
 Presented: 24th October 2023, *Minister for Infrastructure.*

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Transfer of New Pavement at Clos de la Bout, La Rue de la Mare Ballam, St. John. R.161/2023.
 Presented: 24th October 2023, *Minister for Infrastructure.*

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Purchase of 4 Edward Place, The Parade, St. Helier. R.162/2023.
 Presented: 25th October 2023, *Minister for Infrastructure.*

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168 – Temporary Lease of Bouley Bay Bunker, Les Charrières de Boulay, Trinity. R.163/2023.
 Presented: 26th October 2023, *Minister for Infrastructure.*

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168 – purchase of field H1256, High View Lane, St. Helier. R.164/2023.
 Presented: 31st October 2023, *Minister for Infrastructure.*

Appointment of members to the Board of the Jersey Advisory and Conciliation Service. R.165/2023.
 Presented: 6th November 2023, *Minister for Social Security.*

Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law 2012: residential and employment status policy guidance – October 2023. R.166/2023.
 Presented: 7th November 2023, *Chief Minister.*

Notification of lodged propositions

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): second amendment. P.40/2023.
 Amd.(2).
 Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel.*

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): third amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(3).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): fourth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(4).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): fifth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(5).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): sixth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(6).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): seventh amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(7).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): eighth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(8).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): ninth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(9).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): tenth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(10).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): amendment. Social Security grant funding. Lodged: 18th October 2023, <i>Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): second amendment. Removal of RegTech super-deduction. Lodged: 18th October 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(2).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): third amendment. Removal of upper earnings caps. Lodged: 2nd November 2023. <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(3).
Increase in revenue expenditure for agriculture and fisheries. (P.74/2023): second amendment. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Deputy S.G. Luce of Grouville and St. Martin</i> .	P.74/2023 Amd.(2).
Increase in revenue expenditure for agriculture and fisheries. (P.74/2023): second amendment. (P.74/2023 Amd.(2)) – amendment. Lodged: 3rd November 2023, <i>Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</i> .	P.74/2023 Amd.(2). Amd.
Increase in revenue expenditure for agriculture and fisheries. (P.74/2023): third amendment. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Council of Ministers</i> .	P.74/2023 Amd.(3). (re-issue).

Reform of the composition of the States Assembly (P.76/2023): amendment. Lodged: 3rd November 2023, <i>Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter.</i>	P.76/2023. Amd.
Amendment to Standing Orders – statements. Lodged: 20th October 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.85/2023.
Health Care Expenditure Projections. Lodged: 25th October 2023, <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central.</i>	P.86/2023.
Minimum Residential Space Standards. Lodged: 25th October 2023, <i>Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South.</i>	P.87/2023.
Draft Health Insurance (Amendment of Law – Contracts for Administration of Vaccines) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 30th October 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	P.88/2023.
Draft Social Security (Amendment of Law – Payments into Social Security Fund) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	P.89/2023.
Draft Planning and Building (Amendment No. 8) (Repeal) (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement.</i>	P.90/2023.
Draft Finance (2024 Budget) (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.91/2023.
Amendment to Standing Orders – Political Awareness and Education Privileges and Procedures Sub-Committee. Lodged: 1st November 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.92/2023.
Amendment to Standing Orders – States Decision Tracker. Lodged: 3rd November 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.93/2023.
Scrutiny Panel Constitution: Minimum size. Lodged: 7th November 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.</i>	P.94/2023.

Withdrawal of lodged propositions

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the proposers of the following propositions lodged “au Greffe” had informed the Greffier of the States that they had been withdrawn –

Draft Income Tax (Amendment – Stage 2 of Independent Taxation) (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 6th June 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.41/2023.
Restrict parking on beach slipways. Lodged: 2nd August 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.</i>	P.57/2023.

Arrangement of public business for the present meeting

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Chief Minister, agreed that the statement to be made by the Chief Minister regarding Jersey’s response to Storm Ciarán would be taken as the next item of business following the period of oral questions with notice.

Written Questions*(see Official Report/Hansard)*

- WQ.378/2023 1. The Chief Minister had tabled a revised answer on 19th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding a register of all units of dwelling accommodation, following a decision by the Bailiff, under Standing Order 12(4)(c), that the original answer was not directly relevant to the question asked.
- WQ.382/2023 2. The Minister for Social Security had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central regarding short term incapacity claims.
- WQ.390/2023 3. The Chief Minister had tabled a revised answer on 19th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the inquiries into the explosion at Haut du Mont and the Collision of L'Ecume II, following a decision by the Bailiff, under Standing Order 12(4)(c), that the original answer was not directly relevant to the question asked.
- WQ.395/2023 4. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the Electric Vehicle Purchase Incentive (EVPI) scheme.
- WQ.396/2023 5. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central regarding Government supplier invoices.
- WQ.397/2023 6. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding the current investigations of the Commissioner for Standards.
- WQ.398/2023 7. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding outstanding 2023 tax assessments.
- WQ.399/2023 8. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the patrolling of Jersey's territorial waters and monitoring of fishing activities.
- WQ.400/2023 9. The Minister for Housing and Communities had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding the Empty Homes Service.
- WQ.401/2023 10. The Chair of the States Employment Board had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the employment of individuals in the public sector.
- WQ.402/2023 11. The Chief Minister had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the Public Sector Ombudsman Redress Scheme and Inquiries (PSORSI).
- WQ.403/2023 12. The Minister for Health and Social Services had tabled an answer on 23rd October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central regarding the waiting lists for ophthalmic interventions.
- WQ.405/2023 13. The Chief Minister had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the Cabinet Office budget.

- WQ.406/2023 14. The Chief Minister had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding suspended employees within the Health and Community Services department.
- WQ.407/2023 15. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the abolition of the Upper and Lower Earnings Limits on Social Security contributions.
- WQ.408/2023 16. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the Constituency Office support team.
- WQ.409/2023 17. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding growth bids in the Government Plan 2024-2027.
- WQ.410/2023 18. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had tabled a revised answer on 3rd November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding Economic Impact Assessments, following a decision by the Bailiff, under Standing Order 12(4)(c), that the original answer was not directly relevant to the question asked.
- WQ.411/2023 19. The Minister for Infrastructure had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding the Liberty Bus Avanchicard unlimited annual pass.
- WQ.412/2023 20. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding the tax income received from High Value Residents for 2022.
- WQ.413/2023 21. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding the reduction in duty on biofuels.
- WQ.414/2023 22. The Chief Minister had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding inquiries into the explosion at Haut du Mont and the collision of L'Ecume II.
- WQ.415/2023 23. The Minister for External Relations had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding Consuls in Jersey.
- WQ.416/2023 24. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the Independent Review of States Members' pay.
- WQ.417/2023 25. The Minister for Social Security had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding Government funding for wound dressings.
- WQ.418/2023 26. The Minister for Health and Social Services had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the funding for the Department of Health and Community Services within the draft Government Plan 2024-2027.
- WQ.419/2023 27. The Minister for Social Security had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the funding for the Social Security portfolio within the draft Government Plan 2024-2027.

- WQ.420/2023 28. The Minister for Social Security had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding financial support for parents with children who had a health condition.
- WQ.421/2023 29. The Minister for Children and Education had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding support for the families of children that were diagnosed with chronic health conditions or terminal illnesses.
- WQ.422/2023 30. The Minister for Health and Social Services had tabled an answer on 30th October 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding support for the families of children that were diagnosed with chronic health conditions or terminal illnesses.
- WQ.404/2023 31. The Minister for Health and Social Services had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity regarding staff employed within the Public Health Team.
- WQ.424/2023 32. The Minister for Infrastructure had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding residential dwellings owned by the Government.
- WQ.425/2023 33. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the annual revenue from personal income taxation.
- WQ.426/2023 34. The Minister for Justice and Home Affairs had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding missing persons.
- WQ.427/2023 35. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding fishing incidents between French and Jersey boats.
- WQ.429/2023 36. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding Articles 59 and 60 of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002.
- WQ.430/2023 37. The Minister for Social Security had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central regarding free period products.
- WQ.432/2023 38. The Minister for Justice and Home Affairs had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central regarding the States of Jersey Police use of body-worn cameras.
- WQ.433/2023 39. The Minister for Children and Education had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding absences of pupils from school.
- WQ.434/2023 40. The Minister for Children and Education had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding warning letters to parents for unauthorised holidays.
- WQ.435/2023 41. The Minister for Social Security had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding the current daily allowance for food for those undertaking off-Island treatment for cancer and other conditions.

- WQ.436/2023 42. The Minister for Infrastructure had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding Avanchi18 passes and Student Avanchicards.
- WQ.438/2023 43. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Brelade regarding the preservation of a section of building on Broad Street.
- WQ.439/2023 44. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding free entry to Jersey Museum.
- WQ.440/2023 45. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had tabled an answer on 6th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the estimated cost to reopen a staffed tourist information centre.

Oral Questions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

- OQ.215/2023 1. Deputy B.B. de S.V.M. Porée of St. Helier South asked a question of the Minister for Social Security regarding the availability of Government funding to assist with the repatriation of bodies from Jersey to their country of origin.
- OQ.212/2023 2. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the growth bids incorporated in the draft Government Plan 2024-2027.
- OQ.222/2023 3. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South asked a question of the Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee regarding the provision of training to Ministers on answering oral questions.
- OQ.217/2023 4. Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Chair of the Comité des Connétables regarding the provision of driving licences.
- OQ.214/2023 5. The Connétable of St. Brelade asked a question of the Minister for the Environment regarding the planning application for Les Sablons.
- OQ.218/2023 6. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Minister for Infrastructure regarding the contract for bus operations in the Island.
- OQ.220/2023 7. Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the assessment of tax allowances and reliefs.
- OQ.223/2023 8. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding her public comments in respect of the planning application for Les Sablons.
- OQ.219/2023 9. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Minister for Housing and Communities regarding the support available to tenants whose homes had been damaged and become uninhabitable.
- OQ.221/2023 10. Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the management of Ministers' conflicts of interest.

- OQ.213/2023 11. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding Regulatory Technology tax incentives.
- OQ.216/2023 12. Deputy B.B. de S.V.M. Porée of St. Helier South asked a question of the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs regarding the vetting of companies that facilitated the employment of individuals from Africa.

Statements on a matter of official responsibility

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Chief Minister made a statement regarding Jersey's response to Storm Ciarán.

Oral Questions without notice

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for Infrastructure answered questions without notice from members.

The Minister for International Development answered questions without notice from members.

The Chief Minister answered questions without notice from members.

Arrangement of public business for the present meeting

THE STATES rejected a proposition of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier Central, in accordance with Standing Order 26(7), to reduce the minimum lodging period in respect of his proposition entitled 'Health Care Expenditure Projections' (P.86/2023) in order that it might be debated at the present meeting.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 22

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. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Deputy G.P. Southern
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
 Deputy R.J. Ward
 Deputy C.S. Alves
 Deputy L.J. Farnham
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec
 Deputy T.A. Coles
 Deputy B.B.de S.V.M. Porée
 Deputy M.R. Scott
 Deputy C.D. Curtis
 Deputy L.V. Feltham
 Deputy A. Howell

CONTRE: 24

Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of Grouville
 Deputy C.F. Labey
 Deputy S.G. Luce
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet
 Deputy S.M. Ahier
 Deputy I. Gardiner
 Deputy I.J. Gorst
 Deputy K.L. Moore
 Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf
 Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
 Deputy D.J. Warr
 Deputy H.M. Miles
 Deputy J. Renouf
 Deputy R.E. Binet
 Deputy H.L. Jeune
 Deputy M.E. Millar
 Deputy T.J.A. Binet
 Deputy M.R. Ferey
 Deputy A.F. Curtis

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy B. Ward

Deputy K.M. Wilson
Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson
Deputy M.B. Andrews

THE STATES rejected a proposition of Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, in accordance with Standing Order 26(7), to reduce the minimum lodging period in respect of his amendment (P.76/2023 Amd.) to the proposition of Deputy Mary Rose Scott of St. Brelade entitled 'Reform of the composition of the States Assembly' (P.76/2023) in order that it might be debated at the present meeting.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 21

Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Brelade
Connétable of St. Peter
Connétable of St. Clement
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of St. Mary
Connétable of St. Saviour
Deputy C.F. Labey
Deputy S.G. Luce
Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
Deputy I.J. Gorst
Deputy L.J. Farnham
Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf
Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
Deputy H.M. Miles
Deputy M.R. Scott
Deputy M.E. Millar
Deputy A. Howell
Deputy T.J.A. Binet
Deputy M.R. Ferey
Deputy B. Ward

CONTRE: 24

Connétable of St. Helier
Connétable of Trinity
Connétable of St. John
Connétable of Grouville
Deputy G.P. Southern
Deputy L.M.C. Doublet
Deputy S.M. Ahier
Deputy R.J. Ward
Deputy C.S. Alves
Deputy I. Gardiner
Deputy K.L. Moore
Deputy S.Y. Mézec
Deputy T.A. Coles
Deputy B.B.de S.V.M. Porée
Deputy D.J. Warr
Deputy J. Renouf
Deputy C.D. Curtis
Deputy L.V. Feltham
Deputy R.E. Binet
Deputy H.L. Jeune
Deputy A.F. Curtis
Deputy K.M. Wilson
Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson
Deputy M.B. Andrews

ABSTAIN: 1

Connétable of St. Martin

THE STATES noted that Deputy Mary Rose Scott of St. Brelade had informed the Greffier, in accordance with Standing Order 30(2), that her proposition entitled 'Reform of the composition of the States Assembly' (P.76/2023) would be deferred from the present meeting to 28th November 2023.

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of Minister for the Environment, agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 89(1), to defer the resumption of consideration of the Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- from the present meeting to 28th November 2023.

Draft Sea Fisheries (Vessel Monitoring Systems) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202- P.68/2023

THE STATES commenced consideration of the Draft Sea Fisheries (Vessel Monitoring Systems) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202- and adopted the principles.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 40**CONTRE: 0****ABSTAIN: 0**

Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. John
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 Deputy K.L. Moore
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec
 Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
 Deputy T.A. Coles
 Deputy B.B.de S.V.M. Porée
 Deputy D.J. Warr
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 Deputy K.M. Wilson
 Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson
 Deputy M.B. Andrews

THE STATES, having been informed that the relevant scrutiny panel had indicated that it did not wish to scrutinise the draft legislation, adopted Regulations 1 to 10.

THE STATES made Regulations entitled the Sea Fisheries (Vessel Monitoring Systems) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 2023 under Articles 2 and 29 of the Sea Fisheries (Jersey) Law 1994.

Arrangement of public business for the present meeting

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with Standing Order 34(1), Deputy Stephen George Luce of Grouville and St. Martin had informed the Greffier of the States that his amendment (P.74/2023 Amd.(2)) to his proposition entitled 'Increase in revenue expenditure for agriculture and fisheries' (P.74/2023) had been withdrawn.

Increase in revenue expenditure for agriculture and fisheries P.74/2023

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Stephen George Luce of Grouville and St. Martin entitled ‘Increase in revenue expenditure for agriculture and fisheries’ (P.74/2023) and, adopting an amendment of the Council of Ministers (P.74/2023 Amd.(3)), agreed that –

the existing paragraph should be designated as paragraph (a) and that, for the words “to increase States’ revenue expenditure on agriculture and fisheries to a total of 1% of all revenue expenditure” there should be substituted “to ensure States’ revenue expenditure directly on agriculture and fisheries support schemes rises to at least £6.7 million in 2024 and increases in line with RPI(X), for each remaining year of the Government Plan, with compensating measures to offset the additional cost,”; and

after the existing paragraph, there should be inserted the following new paragraph –

“(b) to request the Council of Ministers to bring forward proposals to provide for the recapitalisation of the Agriculture Loans Fund in 2024, to a level sufficient to enable meaningful capital investment in the industry and not less than £10 million, including a transfer from the Strategic Reserve if there are insufficient funds in the Consolidated Fund.”

THE STATES resumed consideration of the proposition of Deputy Stephen George Luce of Grouville and St. Martin, as amended, and, adopting his amendment (P.74/2023 Amd.), agreed that, after the word “fisheries”, there should be inserted the words “, via the Rural and Marine Support Schemes,”.

THE STATES, adopting the proposition of Deputy Stephen George Luce of Grouville and St. Martin, as amended –

- (a) requested the Council of Ministers to take the necessary steps to ensure States’ revenue expenditure directly on agriculture and fisheries support via the Rural and Marine schemes rose to at least £6.7 million in 2024 and increases in line with RPI(X) for each remaining year of the Government Plan with compensating measures to offset the additional cost, and to lodge an amendment to the Government Plan 2024–2027 to achieve the realisation of this target; and
- (b) requested the Council of Ministers to bring forward proposals to provide for the recapitalisation of the Agriculture Loans Fund in 2024, to a level sufficient to enable meaningful capital investment in the industry and not less than £10 million, including a transfer from the Strategic Reserve if there were insufficient funds in the Consolidated Fund.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 43

CONTRE: 0

ABSTAIN: 1

Connétable of St. Helier
 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
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Deputy G.P. Southern
 Deputy C.F. Labey
 Deputy S.G. Luce

Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf

Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
 Deputy S.M. Ahier
 Deputy R.J. Ward
 Deputy C.S. Alves
 Deputy I. Gardiner
 Deputy I.J. Gorst
 Deputy L.J. Farnham
 Deputy K.L. Moore
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec
 Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
 Deputy T.A. Coles
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 Deputy T.J.A. Binet
 Deputy M.R. Ferey
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 Deputy B. Ward
 Deputy K.M. Wilson
 Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson
 Deputy M.B. Andrews

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 106, the following members declared an interest in the subject of the proposition of Deputy Stephen George Luce of Grouville and St. Martin, in that they were the owners of non-residential agricultural land –

The Connétable of Grouville
 The Connétable of St. Mary
 Deputy Carolyn Fiona Labey of Grouville and St. Martin
 Deputy Stephen George Luce of Grouville and St. Martin
 Deputy Mary Rose Le Hegarat of St. Helier North
 Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter
 Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter
 Deputy Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf of St. Saviour
 Deputy Rosemary Esther Binet of Grouville and St. Martin
 Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity
 Deputy Andrea Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity
 Deputy Thomas John Albert Binet of St. Saviour
 Deputy Malcolm Ross Ferey of St. Saviour
 Deputy Alexander Frederick Curtis of St. Clement

Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 23) (Jersey) Regulations 202- P.77/2023

THE STATES commenced consideration of the Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 23) (Jersey) Regulations 202- and adopted the principles.

THE STATES, having been informed that the relevant scrutiny panel had indicated that it did not wish to scrutinise the draft legislation, adopted Regulations 1 to 3.

THE STATES made Regulations entitled the Income Support (Amendment No. 23) (Jersey) Regulations 2023 under Articles 5 and 18 of the Income Support (Jersey) Law 2007.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 43

CONTRE: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Connétable of St. Helier
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
Connétable of St. Mary
Connétable of St. Saviour
Deputy G.P. Southern
Deputy C.F. Labey
Deputy L.M.C. Doublet
Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
Deputy S.M. Ahier
Deputy R.J. Ward
Deputy C.S. Alves
Deputy I. Gardiner
Deputy I.J. Gorst
Deputy L.J. Farnham
Deputy K.L. Moore
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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

Arrangement of public business for future meetings

THE STATES agreed the following arrangement of public business for future meetings proposed, as amended, by the Vice-Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 88(3) –

28th November 2023

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023). P.40/2023.

Lodged: 5th June 2023, *Minister for the Environment*.

Note: The 2nd reading of the Draft Regulations would resume following adoption of the principles on 18th July 2023 and the subsequent referral to the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel under Standing Order 72(1).

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): comments. P.40/2023.
Com.

Presented: 26th October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.

Lodged: 13th September 2023, *Minister for the Environment*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): second amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(2).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): third amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(3).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): fourth amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(4).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): fifth amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(5).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): sixth amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(6).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): seventh amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(7).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): eighth amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(8).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): ninth amendment. P.40/2023.
Amd.(9).

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, *Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel*.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): tenth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(10).
Ethical Standards – States Members. Lodged: 26th September 2023, <i>Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade</i> .	P.75/2023.
Ethical Standards – States Members (P.75/2023): comments. Presented: 10th October 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.75/2023. Com.
Reform of the composition of the States Assembly. Lodged: 26th September 2023, <i>Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade</i> .	P.76/2023.
Reform of the composition of the States Assembly (P.76/2023): comments. Presented: 3rd November 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.76/2023. Com.
Reform of the composition of the States Assembly (P.76/2023): amendment. Lodged: 3rd November 2023, <i>Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter</i> .	P.76/2023. Amd.
Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 13th October 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	P.79/2023.
Draft Limited Partnerships (Annual Addition Charge) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 13th October 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	P.80/2023.
Draft Children (Convention Rights) (Commencement) (Jersey) Act 202-. Lodged: 16th October 2023, <i>Minister for Children and Education</i> .	P.81/2023.
Planning and Building (Conservation Areas) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 17th October 2023, <i>Minister for the Environment</i> .	P.83/2023.
Draft Christmas Bonus (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 17th October 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	P.84/2023.
Amendment to Standing Orders – statements. Lodged: 20th October 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.85/2023.
Health Care Expenditure Projections. Lodged: 25th October 2023, <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.86/2023.
Minimum Residential Space Standards. Lodged: 25th October 2023, <i>Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South</i> .	P.87/2023.
<u>12th December 2023</u>	
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027. Lodged: 19th September 2023, <i>Council of Ministers</i> .	P.72/2023.
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): amendment. Social Security grant funding Lodged: 18th October 2023, <i>Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.

Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): second amendment. Removal of RegTech super-deduction. Lodged: 18th October 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.</i>	P.72/2023. Amd.(2).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): third amendment. Removal of upper earnings caps. Lodged: 2nd November 2023. <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South.</i>	P.72/2023. Amd.(3).
Draft Health Insurance (Amendment of Law – Contracts for Administration of Vaccines) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 30th October 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	P.88/2023.
Draft Social Security (Amendment of Law – Payments into Social Security Fund) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	P.89/2023.
Draft Planning and Building (Amendment No. 8) (Repeal) (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement.</i>	P.90/2023.
Draft Finance (2024 Budget) (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.91/2023.
Draft Act declaring that the Finance (2024 Budget) (Jersey) Law 202- has immediate effect: addendum to P.91/2023. Presented: 2nd November 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.91/2023. Add.

16th January 2024

Amendment to Standing Orders – Political Awareness and Education Privileges and Procedures Sub-Committee. Lodged: 1st November 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.92/2023.
Amendment to Standing Orders – States Decision Tracker. Lodged: 3rd November 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.93/2023.

6th February 2024

Draft Planning and Building (Commencement of No. 8 Amendment Law) (Jersey) Act 202-. Lodged: 19th September 2023, <i>Minister for the Environment.</i>	P.71/2023.
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19th March 2024

Offshore Wind. Lodged: 17th October 2023, <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.82/2023.
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THE STATES rose at 4.54 p.m.

L.-M. HART

Greffier of the States