



**THE STATES assembled on Wednesday
15th March 2017, at 09.30 a.m. under
the Presidency of the Bailiff,
William James Bailhache, Esquire.**

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

Senator Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.48 a.m.)
Senator Sarah Craig Ferguson – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.48 a.m.)
Connétable Sadie Anthea Le Sueur-Rennard of St. Saviour – en défaut (défaut raised at 11.15 a.m.)
Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Peter – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.00 a.m.)
Deputy Richard John Rondel of St. Helier – ill
Deputy Simon Muir Brée of St. Clement – en défaut

Prayers read by the Acting Dean of Jersey

Documents presented

Tertiary Education: Student Finance. S.R.2/2017.
Presented: 15th March 2017.
Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel.

Notification of lodged propositions

Jersey Financial Services Commission: re-appointment of Commissioner. P.19/2017.
Lodged: 15th March 2017.
Chief Minister.

Concessionary busfares for the disabled: costs to be met by the States P.9/2017

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Montfort Tadier of St. Brelade entitled ‘Concessionary busfares for the disabled: costs to be met by the States’ (P.9/2017) and rejected the proposition to request that the Minister for Infrastructure should not implement a £15 administration charge for disabled bus passes and that any costs of issuing the card should instead be met from within his departmental budget.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 13

Connétable of St. Saviour
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy of Grouville
Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)
Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Deputy M. Tadier (B)
Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)

CONTRE: 33

Senator P.F. Routier
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

ABSTAIN: 1

Senator S.C. Ferguson

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

Electoral Reform P.10/2017

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Senator Lyndon John Farnham entitled ‘Electoral Reform’ (P.10/2017) and rejected paragraph (a) of an amendment of Deputy Jeremy Martin Maçon of St. Saviour (P.10/2017 Amd.) that, after the words “YES/NO Referendum,” for the words “to be held before the end of 2017” there should be substituted the words “to be held on the same day as the General Election in May 2018”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 16

Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of St. John
 Connétable of Trinity
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)
 Deputy of St. Mary

CONTRE: 31

Senator P.F. Routier
 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
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy E.J. Noel (L)
 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy R.G. Bryans (H)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)
 Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy M.J. Norton (B)
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy P.D. McLinton (S)

THE STATES rejected paragraph (b) of the amendment of Deputy Jeremy Martin Maçon of St. Saviour (P.10/2017 Amd.) that, after paragraph (a), there should be inserted the following new paragraphs, with the remaining paragraph re-designated accordingly –

- “(b) that the referendum should be subject to a minimum participation threshold of 40% of those on the electoral register at the time of the referendum;
- (c) that, subject to compliance with the aforementioned measures, should the proposal be supported by the Public, it should come into effect in 2022;”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 14

Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. John
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)

CONTRE: 33

Senator P.F. Routier
 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. Clement
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of Trinity
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy E.J. Noel (L)
 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy R.G. Bryans (H)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)
 Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy M.J. Norton (B)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy P.D. McLinton (S)

THE STATES, having resumed consideration of the proposition of Senator Lyndon John Farnham, rejected the proposal –

- (a) to agree that legislation to change the composition and election of the States Assembly arising from Proposition P.133/2016 as amended, agreed in principle on 2nd February 2017, should only come into force if it won the support of the majority of Islanders who voted in a YES/NO referendum, to be held before the end of 2017;
- (b) to request the Privileges and Procedures Committee to bring forward an Act for a referendum and to consult independent experts to ensure that the wording of the question put to the electorate was fair and unbiased.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 15

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of St. John
 Connétable of Trinity
 Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy T.A. McDonald (S)
 Deputy of St. Mary

CONTRE: 29

Senator P.F. Routier
 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. Helier
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy E.J. Noel (L)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy R.G. Bryans (H)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec (H)
 Deputy A.D. Lewis (H)
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy M.J. Norton (B)
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)

ABSTAIN: 0

Arrangement of public business for future meetings

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

28th March 2017

Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over. P.117/2016.
Lodged: 4th November 2016.
Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.

Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over P.117/2016.
(P.117/2016) – comments. Com.
Presented: 13th March 2017.
Chief Minister.

Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over P.117/2016.
(P.117/2016) – amendment. Amd.
Lodged: 7th March 2017.
Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.

Draft Referendum (Jersey) Law 201-. P.4/2017.
Lodged: 31st January 2017.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) P.11/2017.
Regulations 201-.
Lodged: 14th February 2017.
States Employment Board.

Parish Rates: payment by the States of Jersey. P.12/2017.
Lodged: 21st February 2017.
Connétable of St. Helier.

18th April 2017

Future Hospital Funding Strategy (as amended) P.130/2016.
Lodged: 30th November 2016.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Bank Depositors Compensation (Jersey) Law 201-. P.135/2016.
Lodged: 20th December 2016.
Chief Minister.

Draft Public Elections (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.13/2017.
Lodged: 21st February 2017.
Comité des Connétables.

Draft Public Finances (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.15/2017.
Lodged: 7th March 2017.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

JT (Jersey) Limited: administrative charges. P.16/2017.
Lodged: 9th March 2017.
Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

Draft Main Roads (Classification) (No. 29) (Jersey) Act 201-. P.17/2017.
Lodged: 13th March 2017.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Jersey Financial Services Commission: re-appointment of Commissioner. P.19/2017.
Lodged: 15th March 2017.
Chief Minister.

2nd May 2017

Draft The Law Society of Jersey (Amendment No. 4) Law 201-. P.136/2016.
Lodged: 20th December 2016.
Chief Minister.

E-Petitions. P.14/2017.
Lodged: 1st March 2017.
Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier.

Draft States of Jersey (Amendment No. 9) Law 201-. P.18/2017.
Lodged: 14th March 2017.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

20th June 2017

Millennium Town Park: additional open space and public parking. P.123/2016.
Lodged: 22nd November 2016.
Connétable of St. Helier.

THE STATES rose at 3.46 p.m.

L.-M. HART

Deputy Greffier of the States