



**THE STATES assembled on Tuesday
10th March 2020, at 9.30 a.m. under
the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff,
Robert James MacRae, Esquire.**

**His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor,
Air Chief Marshall Sir Stephen Dalton, G.C.B., LL.D. (Hon.), D.Sc. (Hon.), B.Sc., F.R.Ae.S.,
C.C.M.I. was present.**

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

Senator Ian Joseph Gorst – absent on States business
Senator Lyndon John Farnham – excused attendance (arrived in the Chamber at 10.28 a.m.)
Senator Sarah Craig Ferguson – ill
Senator Kristina Louise Moore – en défaut (défaut raised at 12.07 p.m.)
Deputy Michael Roderick Higgins of St. Helier – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.36 a.m.)
Deputy Susan Jane Pinel of St. Clement – ill
Deputy Kevin Glyn Pamplin of St. Saviour – en défaut (défaut raised at 3.47 p.m.)

Prayers

Senator Ian Joseph Gorst – absence

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Connétable of St. Ouen agreed that the reason for the absence of Senator Ian Joseph Gorst was such that he should be marked as absent on States business.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 33

Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
Senator T.A. Vallois
Senator S.W. Pallett
Connétable of St. Helier
Connétable of St. Clement
Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Brelade
Connétable of Grouville
Connétable of St. John
Connétable of Trinity
Connétable of St. Peter
Connétable of St. Mary
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of St. Martin
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy of Grouville
Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Deputy M. Tadier (B)
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
Deputy of St. Martin

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Senator S.Y. Mézec
Connétable of St. Saviour
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy of St. John
Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)
Deputy R.J. Ward (H)

ABSTAIN: 1

Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)

Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester and H.R.H. the Duchess of Gloucester – visit

The Deputy Bailiff advised the Assembly that His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester and Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Gloucester would visit the Island on 9th May 2020 as part of the celebrations to mark the 75th anniversary of the Liberation.

Timers in the States Chamber

The Deputy Bailiff advised the Assembly that timers had been placed in the States Chamber on a trial basis, subsequent to the Assembly's adoption of 'Standing Orders: Time Limits on Speeches During Debates' (P.101/2019), in order that the duration of Members' speeches during debates could be shown.

Electoral Reform 2020 P.126/2019

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Privileges and Procedures Committee entitled 'Electoral Reform 2020' (P.126/2019) and, adopting paragraph (a) of the proposition, agreed that fair representation and equality in voting weight and power across the whole population should be the basis for any reform of the composition and election of the States.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 28

Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)

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Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of St. John
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy of St. Mary	Deputy of St. Peter
Deputy J.H. Young (B)	Deputy of Trinity
Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)	
Deputy K.F. Morel (L)	
Deputy of St. John	
Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)	
Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)	
Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)	
Deputy R.J. Ward (H)	
Deputy C.S. Alves (H)	
Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)	
Deputy I. Gardiner (H)	

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Privileges and Procedures Committee, rejected paragraph (b) that it should establish an Assembly of 46 Members, elected from 9 districts, each choosing a number of representatives based on population and to replace the current Schedule 1 to the States of Jersey Law 2005 as follows –

<i>Constituencies</i>	<i>Number of Deputies to be returned</i>
District 1: St. Helier South Vingtaines de Bas et de Haut de la Ville, St. Helier	5
District 2: St. Helier Central Vingtaine de Rouge Bouillon, St. Helier Vingtaine de Bas du Mont au Prêtre, St. Helier	5
District 3: St. Helier North Vingtaine du Mont Cochon, St. Helier Vingtaine du Mont à l'Abbé, St. Helier Vingtaine du Haut du Mont au Prêtre, St. Helier	5
District 4: St. Saviour Parish of St. Saviour	6
District 5: St. Clement Parish of St. Clement	5
District 6: St. Brelade Parish of St. Brelade	5
District 7: St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter Parish of St. Mary Parish of St. Ouen Parish of St. Peter	5
District 8: St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity Parish of St. John Parish of St. Lawrence Parish of Trinity	5

District 9: Grouville and St. Martin Parish of Grouville Parish of St. Martin	5
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Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 20

Senator T.A. Vallois
Senator S.Y. Mézec
Connétable of St. Helier
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy M. Tadier (B)
Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
Deputy R. Labey (H)
Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
Deputy J.H. Young (B)
Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
Deputy of St. John
Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)
Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

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Senator L.J. Farnham
Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
Senator K.L. Moore
Senator S.W. Pallett
Connétable of St. Clement
Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Saviour
Connétable of St. Brelade
Connétable of Grouville
Connétable of St. John
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Connétable of St. Peter
Connétable of St. Mary
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of St. Martin
Deputy of Grouville
Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Deputy of St. Martin
Deputy of St. Ouen
Deputy of St. Mary
Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
Deputy of St. Peter
Deputy of Trinity
Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)

ABSTAIN: 0

The Deputy Bailiff informed the Assembly that, following the rejection of paragraph (b), paragraphs (c), (e) and (f) of the proposition of the Privileges and Procedures Committee had been taken to have been withdrawn.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Privileges and Procedures Committee, rejected paragraph (d) to agree that the office of Constable should entitle the holder to membership of the States of Jersey in a non-voting capacity, but with the ability to participate in debate and non-executive committee work.

Members present voted as follows –

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Senator T.A. Vallois
Senator S.Y. Mézec
Connétable of St. Helier
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy M. Tadier (B)
Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)

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Senator L.J. Farnham
Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
Senator K.L. Moore
Senator S.W. Pallett
Connétable of St. Clement
Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Saviour

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)	Connétable of St. Brelade
Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)	Connétable of Grouville
Deputy R. Labey (H)	Connétable of St. John
Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)	Connétable of Trinity
Deputy J.H. Young (B)	Connétable of St. Peter
Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)	Connétable of St. Mary
Deputy of St. John	Connétable of St. Ouen
Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)	Connétable of St. Martin
Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)	Deputy of Grouville
Deputy R.J. Ward (H)	Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Deputy C.S. Alves (H)	Deputy of St. Martin
Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)	Deputy of St. Ouen
Deputy I. Gardiner (H)	Deputy of St. Mary
	Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
	Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
	Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
	Deputy of St. Peter
	Deputy of Trinity
	Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)

Adjournment

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Wednesday 11th March 2020 to consider outstanding items of public business listed for the present meeting.

THE STATES rose at 5.34 p.m.

L.-M. HART

Deputy Greffier of the States