

STATES OF JERSEY



ARREST AND DETENTION OF SENATOR STUART SYVRET AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS (P.60/2009): AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 27th April 2009
by the Privileges and Procedures Committee

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For paragraph (e) substitute the following new paragraph –

- (e) to request the Privileges and Procedures Committee to undertake a review of the extent of the protection offered to States members, and their constituents, by parliamentary privilege and to report on the same to the States Assembly as soon as possible and, in any event, no later than within 6 weeks of the date of adoption of this proposition.

PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

REPORT

Deputy G.P. Southern's proposition requests the Privileges and Procedures Committee to make an urgent statement explaining the extent of the protection offered to States members, and their constituents, by parliamentary privilege. Preliminary research in this regard is already underway, and the Committee considers it unlikely that much could be gained from an urgent statement on the topic, as it is a complex matter, on which other jurisdictions have already undertaken a great deal of work.

The Privileges and Procedures Committee has already begun to fully examine previously published works in relation to privilege and to undertake its own research regarding the procedures currently in place in other jurisdictions.

For this reason, the Committee would ask members that, rather than being required to make an urgent statement on the matter, the Committee be requested to undertake a review of the extent of the protection offered to States members, and their constituents, by parliamentary privilege and to report on the same to the States Assembly as soon as possible and, in any event, no later than within 6 weeks of the date of adoption of this proposition.

Financial and manpower implications

There are no significant financial or manpower implications arising from this amendment.