

# STATES OF JERSEY



## HISTORICAL CHILD ABUSE: REQUEST TO COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

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Lodged au Greffe on 2nd February 2011  
by Senator F. du H. Le Gresley

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STATES GREFFE

## **PROPOSITION**

**THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –**

to request the Chief Minister and the Council of Ministers to reconsider their decision that a Committee of Inquiry to investigate any issues which remain unresolved in relation to historical abuse in the Island would not be appropriate.

SENATOR F. DU H. LE GRESLEY

## **REPORT**

The Council of Ministers presented its Report R.8/2011 [Historical Child Abuse: Committee of Inquiry] to the States on 1st February 2011. Under the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey there is no procedure for the States to debate the contents of this Report. However, I believe that it is right and proper that a debate should take place in the Chamber on such an important issue, which has dominated the news headlines in Jersey for the last 3 years. The outcome of the vote on this proposition will give the Council of Ministers either a clear endorsement of their decision not to set up a Committee of Inquiry or a strong indication that their decision needs to be reconsidered.

### **Financial and manpower implications**

There are no financial or manpower implications arising from this proposition as I am simply seeking a debate on a decision made by the Council of Ministers.