

STATES OF JERSEY



AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS – POLITICAL AWARENESS AND EDUCATION PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES SUB-COMMITTEE

Lodged au Greffe on 1st November 2023
by the Privileges and Procedures Committee
Earliest date for debate: 16th January 2024

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PROPOSITION

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion to make the following amendment to the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey, with immediate effect –

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After sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (j), insert the following and re-number the subsequent sub-paragraphs accordingly –

“(ii) a sub-committee –

- (A) to engage with the public about the work of the States Assembly and to work with other bodies seeking to engage and encourage the public’s interest in politics;
- (B) to raise awareness amongst all Islanders of the entitlement and reasons to vote;
- (C) to identify training needs of individuals working with young people and other relevant professionals and to develop age-appropriate teaching materials;
- (D) to ensure information about the States Assembly is included within the induction programme for all new States’ employees;
- (E) to identify proposals and initiatives, in conjunction with other relevant stakeholders, that will further the sub-committee’s work and to report its findings to PPC;”

PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

REPORT

The Privileges and Procedures Committee (PPC) has lodged this proposition which, if approved, would amend Standing Orders to include a specific Sub-Committee to cover political awareness and education matters. Through raising awareness and engaging with the public about the work of the Assembly, it is hoped to encourage the general public's interest in politics and in particular, engagement with children and young people.

The Committee believes that provision for a permanent Sub-Committee with this remit will help work towards the aim of the States Assembly ensuring that politics is available to all.

Financial and staffing implications

There are no financial and manpower implications arising from the adoption of this Proposition.