THE STATES assembled on Tuesday, 14th December 1999 at 9.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir Philip Bailhache.

All members were present

Prayers

Personal statement by Senator C.G.P. Lakeman

Senator Christopher Gerard Pellow Lakeman made a statement in the following terms -

"It is rare for a member to seek your leave to make a personal statement; even more rare when such statement represents his first contribution to this Assembly.

The floor of this Assembly is the place for announcements and decisions about membership of the Committees of the States and therefore I now refer to the speculation that I might today seek membership of the Policy and Resources Committee.

The President of the Policy and Resources Committee did suggest he might invite me to be a supernumerary member of his Committee some weeks ago. I was honoured because I have a deep and passionate interest in maintaining the Island's privileges. I hoped that I could contribute to the important work of his Committee, not only in defending our independence but also in the areas of human rights, international treaties and government reform.

At the meeting of the Committee Presidents last week, Senator Horsfall's suggestion, I am informed, met with some concern because I am a new member with no experience of the work of the States. I have immense respect for the President, for his Committee and for his Department. My intention is to support rather than frustrate the Committee's work, which must become, in my respectful view, the powerhouse of a government for the new millennium. For this reason, I will not accede to the requests for my name to go forward today as a member of the Policy and Resources Committee."

Subordinate legislation tabled

The following enactments were laid before the States, namely -

Post Office (General Provisions) (Amendment No. 44) (Jersey) Order 1999, R & O 9481.

Amendment (No. 22) to the Tariff of Harbour and Light Dues. R & O 9488.

Amendment (No. 23) to the Tariff of Harbour and Light Dues. R & O 9489.

Matter presented

The following matter was presented to the States -

Race Relations Working Party: discussion document -R.C.46/99. Presented by the Legislation Committee.

THE STATES ordered that the said report be printed and distributed.

Matters lodged

The following matters were lodged "au Greffe" -

Former Postal Headquarters, Mont Millais, St. Helier: transfer of administration - P.203/99.

Presented by the Planning and Environment Committee.

12 Halkett Street, St. Helier: sale of property - P.204/99.

Presented by the Health and Social Services Committee.

Appointment of Committees

THE STATES, pursuant of their Act dated 9th December 1999, with regard to the appointment of Presidents of Committees, made the following appointments -

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Senator P.F. Horsfall, President

Senators

N.L. Quérée

S. Syvret

L. Norman

F.H. Walker

T.A. Le Sueur

Deputies

D.L. Crespel of Trinity M.F. Dubras of St. Lawrence

THE STATES, in accordance with Article 28(2)(b) of the States of Jersey Law 1966, and on the proposition of Senator Pierre François Horsfall, President of the Policy and Resources Committee, determined that the Policy and Resources Committee should consist of the President and seven other members of the States.

FINANCE AND ECONOMICS COMMITTEE

Senator F.H. Walker, President

Connétable

C.J. Le H. Hinault of St. John

Deputies

D.R. Maltwood of St. Mary P.F. Routier of St. Helier M.E. Vibert of St. Brelade F.G. Voisin of St. Lawrence P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Helier

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Deputy D.L. Crespel of Trinity, President

Connétables

F.H. Amy of Grouville K.P. Vibert of St. Ouen P.R. Cabot of Trinity

Deputies

R.C. Hacqouil of St. Peter M.F. Dubras of St. Lawrence P.N. Troy of St. Brelade

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Senator N.L. Quérée, President

Connétable

P.F. Ozouf of St. Saviour

Deputies

A.J. Layzell of St. Brelade A.S. Crowcroft of St. Helier

E.P. Vibert of St. Helier

J.B. Fox of St. Helier J. Bridge of St. Helier

INDUSTRIES COMMITTEE

Deputy M.F. Dubras of St. Lawrence, President

Senator

P.A. Bailhache

Deputies

A.S. Crowcroft of St. Helier

R.C. Hacquoil of St. Peter

F.G. Voisin of St. Lawrence

L.J. Farnham of St. Saviour

P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Helier

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Senator S. Syvret, President

Senator

P.V.F. Le Claire

Connétable

S.J. Le Cornu of St. Clement

Deputies

F.J. Hill, B.E.M., of St. Martin

T.J. Le Main of St. Helier

C.J. Scott Warren of St. Saviour

R.G. Le Herissier of St. Saviour

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Senator L. Norman, President

Senator

P.A. Bailhache

Connétables

I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence

E. Le G. Godel of St. Mary

Deputies

A. Breckon of St. Saviour

J.J. Huet of St. Helier

J.B. Fox of St. Helier

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Deputy A.S. Crowcroft of St. Helier, President

Senator

P.V.F. Le Claire

Connétable

R.L. Le Brocq of St. Helier

Deputies

R.C. Duhamel of St. Saviour P.J. Rondel of St. John G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement C.J. Scott Warren of St. Saviour

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COMMITTEE

Senator J.A. Le Maistre, President

Connétables

J.B. Germain of St. Martin S.J. Le Cornu of St. Clement

Deputies

F.J. Hill, B.E.M. of St. Martin K.W. Syvret, M.B.E. of St. Ouen P.N. Troy of St. Brelade R.G. Le Herissier of St. Saviour

TOURISM COMMITTEE

Deputy I.S. Nicholls of Grouville , President

Senator

J.A. Le Maistre C. Stein

Deputies

S.M. Baudains of St. Helier M.E. Vibert of St. Brelade E.P. Vibert of St. Helier L.J. Farnham of St. Saviour

HOME AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Deputy A.J. Layzell of St. Brelade, President

Senators

W. Kinnard C.G.P. Lakeman

Connétables

K.P. Vibert of St. Ouen M.R. de la Haye of St. Brelade

Deputies

A. Breckon of St. Saviour J. Bridge of St. Helier

EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

Senator T.A. Le Sueur, President

Senator

W. Kinnard

Connétable

C.J. Le H. Hinault of St. John

Deputies

P.F. Routier of St. Helier I.S. Nicholls of Grouville R.C. Hacquoil of St. Peter F.G. Voisin of St. Lawrence

HOUSING COMMITTEE

Deputy T.J. Le Main of St. Helier, President

Connétables

I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence R.L. Le Brocq of St. Helier

Deputies

H.H. Baudains of St. Clement J.J. Huet of St. Helier G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Helier

HARBOURS AND AIRPORT COMMITTEE

Deputy D.R. Maltwood of St. Mary, President

Senator

L. Norman

Connétables

R.L. Le Brocq of St. Helier J.B. Germain of St. Martin M.R. de la Haye of St. Brelade

Deputies

J.J. Huet of St. Helier P.J. Rondel of St. John

TELECOMMUNICATIONS BOARD

Deputy P.F. Routier of St. Helier, President

Senator

L. Norman

Connétable

P.R. Cabot of Trinity

Deputies

D.L. Crespel of Trinity R.C. Duhamel of St. Saviour F.J. Hill, B.E.M., of St. Martin G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement

COMMITTEE FOR POSTAL ADMINISTRATION

Senator F.H. Walker, President

Senators

P.F. Horsfall T.A. Le Sueur

Connétable

P.F. Ozouf of St. Saviour

Deputies

H.H. Baudains of St. Clement J.J. Huet of St. Helier R.G. Le Herissier of St. Saviour

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Deputy K.W. Syvret of St. Ouen, President

The Deputy of St. Ouen, President of the House Committee, nominated for appointment as members of the House Committee -

Senator C.G.P. Lakeman Connétable I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence Connétable M. Pollard of St. Peter Deputy H.H. Baudains of St. Clement Deputy R.C. Duhamel of St. Saviour Deputy R.G. Le Herissier of St. Saviour

Senator Stuart Syvret was proposed by Senator Wendy Kinnard.

THE STATES having proceeded to a secret ballot the Bailiff declared the following results -

Senator C.G.P. Lakeman

Deputy H.H. Baudains of St. Clement
Connétable M. Pollard of St. Peter
Connétable I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence
Senator C. Stein
Senator S. Syvret
Deputy R.C. Duhamel of St. Saviour

50 votes
49 votes
44 votes
43 votes
41 votes
35 votes

The Bailiff accordingly declared that the following had been elected members of the House Committee -

Senators

C. Stein S. Syvret C.G.P. Lakeman

Connétables

I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence M. Pollard of St. Peter

Deputies

H.H. Baudains of St. Clement

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Senator W. Kinnard, President

Senator

T.A. Le Sueur

Connétable

I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence

Deputies

H.H. Baudains of St. Clement I.S. Nicholls of Grouville R.G. Le Herissier of St. Saviour J. Bridge of St. Helier

SPORT, LEISURE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Deputy M.E. Vibert of St. Brelade, President

Connétables

M. Pollard of St. Peter F.H. Amy of Grouville K.P. Vibert of St. Ouen

Deputies

P.F. Routier of St. Helier F.J. Hill of St. Martin E.P. Vibert of St. Helier

ETAT CIVIL COMMITTEE

Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Helier, President

Senators

T.A. Le Sueur C.G.P. Lakeman

Connétables

I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence P.R. Cabot of Trinity

Deputies

- L.J. Farnham of St. Saviour
- J. Bridge of St. Helier

OVERSEAS AID COMMITTEE

Deputy J.J. Huet of St. Helier, President

Senator

P.V.F. Le Claire

Deputies

R.C. Duhamel of St. Saviour T.J. Le Main of St. Helier K.W. Syvret, M.B.E., of St. Ouen P.N. Troy of St. Brelade J.B. Fox of St. Helier

GAMBLING CONTROL COMMITTEE

Deputy A. Breckon of St. Saviour, President

Senator

L. Norman

Connétable

M. Pollard of St. Peter

Deputies

D.L. Crespel of Trinity
T.J. Le Main of St. Helier
C.J. Scott Warren of St. Saviour

COTTAGE HOMES COMMITTEE

Deputy T.J. Le Main of St. Helier, President

Connétables

I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence

Deputies

H.H. Baudains of St. Clement J.J. Huet of St. Helier G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Helier

ANN ALICE RAYNER FUND DELEGATION

Senator F.H. Walker, President

Connétable

C.J. Le H. Hinault of St. John

Deputies

D.R. Maltwood of St. Mary P.F. Routier of St. Helier M.E. Vibert of St. Brelade

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COMMITTEES AND THE STATES

Deputy K.W. Syvret, M.B.E., of St. Ouen, President

Senators

P.F. Horsfall C. Stein P.A. Bailhache S. Syvret F.H. Walker

Deputy

D.R. Maltwood of St. Mary

JERSEY TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

Deputy A.J. Layzell of St. Brelade, President

Deputies

P.J. Rondel of St. John R.C. Hacquoil of St. Peter K.W. Syvret, M.B.E., of St. Ouen

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with their Act dated 22nd June 1993 regarding the composition of the Jersey Transport Authority, one representative of each of the following Committees would be appointed by the respective Committees to serve on the Authority -

Harbours and Airport; Agriculture and Fisheries; Tourism

COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY: BUILDING COSTS IN JERSEY

Senator W. Kinnard, President

Deputies

H.H. Baudains of St. Clement A. Breckon of St. Saviour M.E. Vibert of St. Brelade K.W. Syvret, M.B.E., of St. Ouen

Compliments of the season

Senator Pierre François Horsfall, on behalf of the Senators, Connétable Iris Medora Le Feuvre, on behalf of the Connétables, and Deputy Harry Hallewell Baudains, on behalf of the Deputies, wished the Bailiff and Lady Bailhache, the Law Officers and the officers of the States, the compliments of the season.

The Bailiff in return, wished the members of the States and their families a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

THE STATES rose at 10.57 a.m.

G.H.C. COPPOCK

Greffier of the States.