DRAFT AMENDMENT (No. 20) OF THE STANDING ORDERS OF THE STATES OF JERSEY (P.76/2000): AMENDMENT

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In paragraph (1) of the inserted Standing Order 18B, delete the words "its financial effect and" and before the words "manpower resources" insert the words "financial or".

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Report

An avowed purpose of the House Committee's proposed amendments is to ensure that procedures for informing States members of the implications of propositions are standardised, so that the same essential approach is adopted irrespective of whether those implications relate to financial or human resources.

The proposed Standing Order 18B(1), however, as drafted, reflects a slightly different approach, depending on which type of resources are likely to be affected by a proposition. If strictly read, the draft Order would require a private member to *identify* the financial effect of his proposition - which, without expert assistance, he might not be in a position to do - while merely requiring him to state whether his proposition had manpower implications.

I have therefore put forward this amendment in order to help achieve the House Committee's aim of uniformity of approach, and also in order to remove what I believe could form an unreasonable constraint on private members in terms of the requirement to *specify* the financial implications of propositions.

My amendment has no financial or manpower implications.