

STATES OF JERSEY



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DRAFT ELECTIONS (ELECTORAL REGISTERS) (JERSEY) AMENDMENT LAW 202- (P.27/2025): AMENDMENT

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PAGE 17, ARTICLE 9 –

In Article 9, in the inserted Article 9B(2)(b), for “any electoral register in force for any electoral district for the election referred to in Article 9A(1)” substitute “an electoral register for any other electoral district that is an electoral district in relation to an election of a Deputy or Connétable”.

COMITÉ DES CONNÉTABLES

REPORT

Supplementary Registers

The Electoral Register in force for an election closes at midday on the last working day before nomination day – it is then fixed and does not change (this provides certainty, for example as to those entitled to propose or second a candidate).

The Supplementary Register does not therefore accommodate Islanders who move home in the period up to 7 working days before an election (as stated in paragraph 10 of the report).

The Supplementary Register was introduced so that a person whose name is not included on an Electoral Register for any election, might register as an elector once candidates in an election are declared. The background is set out in Appendix 2 of [P.046-2014 Amd.\[Comite des Connetables\]](#) as follows:

Extract from the report within P.110/2013 Amd.

Supplementary Register

Amendment to (A)(d)(i)

The amendment to paragraph (A)(d)(i) is to bring the proposition into line with Recommendation 7, which is specific to new electors. The Comité des Connétables acknowledges there may be an argument for allowing NEW electors to register up until one week before the election, but does not support allowing a person already registered as an elector to move to a different elector register as this –

- (a) could mean that a proposer/seconded of a candidate is no longer eligible to vote in that election;
- (b) means that the candidates would have a list naming some persons who are no longer eligible to vote in that election;
- (c) will impact on the administration of postal and pre-poll voting (a person might have already voted before requesting the right to move register).

The Comité is therefore proposing this amendment to maintain the position previously agreed and is grateful to the Legislative Drafter for the prompt attention to this matter.

Financial and staffing implications

There are no additional financial and/or staffing implications arising from this amendment.