



**THE STATES assembled on Thursday
12th December 2024, at 9.30 a.m. under
the Presidency of the Bailiff,
Sir Timothy John Le Cocq.**

All members were present at roll call with the exception of –

Deputy Carina Soares Alves of St. Helier Central – ill
Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter – en défaut
Deputy Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf of St. Saviour – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.40 a.m.)
Deputy Sir Philip Martin Bailhache of St. Clement – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.40 a.m.)
Deputy Mary Rose Scott of St. Brelade – ill
Deputy Margaret Elaine Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity – excused attendance (arrived in the Chamber at 10:25am)
Deputy Lucy Kate Frances Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter – parental responsibilities

Prayers by the Greffier of the States

Standing Order 55A – remote participation

THE STATES, with reference to their Act dated 14th September 2021, in which they had agreed that, notwithstanding Standing Order 55A(1), members who did not wish to attend in the States Chamber might continue to take part in States meetings using Microsoft Teams (until the States had considered and voted upon a proposition to re-apply Standing Order 55A(1) or to repeal or vary the terms of the Standing Order), assembled in accordance with Standing Order 55A with members able to participate remotely using Microsoft Teams. The following Members attended remotely, either for all or part of the meeting –

Connétable Richard Anthony Kingston Honeycombe of St. Ouen
Deputy Louise Mary Catherine Doublet of St. Saviour
Deputy Beatriz Borges de Sousa Vaz Moreno Porée of St. Helier South

Documents presented

Updated Eligibility Criteria for Renting Social Housing. R.183/2024.
Presented: 12th December 2024, *Minister for Housing*.

Jersey Overseas Aid: Appointment of Non-States Commissioner P.81/2024

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Minister for International Development entitled ‘Jersey Overseas Aid: Appointment of Non-States Commissioner’ (P.81/2024), appointed Ms. Julia Yun Hulme as a non-states Commissioner of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission until 1st January 2028, in accordance with clause 7.6 of the constitution of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission as set out in Schedule 1 to the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission (Jersey) Law 2005.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 44**CONTRE: 0****ABSTAIN: 0**

Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. Martin
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 Deputy C.F. Labey
 Deputy M. Tadier
 Deputy S.G. Luce
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet
 Deputy K.F. Morel
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
 Deputy S.M. Ahier
 Deputy R.J. Ward
 Deputy I. Gardiner
 Deputy I.J. Gorst
 Deputy L.J. Farnham
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec
 Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf
 Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache
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 Deputy H.M. Miles
 Deputy J. Renouf
 Deputy C.D. Curtis
 Deputy L.V. Feltham
 Deputy R.E. Binet
 Deputy H.L. Jeune
 Deputy A. Howell
 Deputy T.J.A. Binet
 Deputy M.R. Ferey
 Deputy R.S. Kovacs
 Deputy A.F. Curtis
 Deputy B. Ward
 Deputy K.M. Wilson
 Deputy M.B. Andrews

**Support Scheme for Individuals Qualifying to Represent Jersey in Off-Island Competitions
P.82/2024**

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour entitled ‘Support Scheme for Individuals Qualifying to Represent Jersey in Off-Island Competitions’ (P.82/2024) and, adopting an amendment of the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development (P.82/2024 Amd.) agreed that –

in Paragraph (a), after the words “to establish a permanent support scheme” there should be inserted the words “through Jersey Sport”; after the words “to a maximum of” for the word “£500,000” there should be substituted the word “£300,000”; after the words “per annum,” there should be inserted the words “for sporting associations or other appropriate bodies”; for the words “to provide subsidies of up to £2,000” there should be substituted the words “to provide travel grants of up to £1,000”; after the words “for costs related to off-Island participation in sports”, the words “arts, academic” should be deleted; the words “for which a qualification or selection process is required” should be deleted; and after the words “to fund relevant travel, accommodation”, the words “related uniform or equipment” should be deleted; and

after Paragraph (b), there should be inserted a new paragraph –

“(c) to undertake, before the end of January 2025, a review of the associations, individuals, or organisations eligible for this funding with a view to ensuring that a wide range of those representing Jersey are in scope of this funding.”

THE STATES, adopting the proposition of the Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour, as amended, requested the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development –

- (a) to establish a permanent support scheme through Jersey Sport, funded through the Arts, Heritage, and Culture budget, or other relevant sources, to a maximum of £300,000 per annum, for sporting associations or other appropriate bodies to provide travel grants of up to £1,000 per individual per year for costs related to off-Island participation in sports or other similar competitions for those representing Jersey, with such subsidies to be accessible to fund relevant travel, accommodation, competition fees, and associated costs for a responsible carer to accompany a participating minor or an adult with care and support needs;
- (b) to commence the subsidy scheme in the first quarter of 2025, according to feasibility and existing resources, with a view to full development and implementation of the scheme before the end of 2025; and
- (c) to undertake, before the end of January 2025, a review of the associations, individuals, or organisations eligible for this funding with a view to ensuring that a wide range of those representing Jersey were in scope of this funding.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 43

CONTRE: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

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Comptroller and Auditor General Board of Governance: appointment of Chair and independent Member P.84/2024

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Chief Minister entitled ‘Comptroller and Auditor General Board of Governance: appointment of Chair and independent Member’ (P.84/2024), approved, in accordance with Article 2(2) of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Board of Governance) (Jersey) Order 2015, the recommendation of the Chief Minister and the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee to appoint Mr. Michael Whitehouse OBE as Chair and Ms. Cosette Reczek as an independent member of the Board of Governance of the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General, for a term of 5 years.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 43

CONTRE: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

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Arrangement of public business for future meetings

THE STATES agreed the following arrangement of public business for future meetings proposed, as amended, by the Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 88(3) –

21st January 2025

Amendment to Standing Orders – remote participation in States Meetings. Lodged: 17th September 2024, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.63/2024.
Reporting on Ministerial Affairs. Lodged: 11th October 2024, <i>Deputy K.L. Moore of St. Ouen, St. Mary and St. Peter</i> .	P.71/2024.
Reporting on Ministerial Affairs (P.71/2024) – Children’s Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 11th October 2024, <i>Deputy K.L. Moore of St. Ouen, St. Mary and St. Peter</i> .	P.71/2024. Add.
Modern Languages in Schools. Lodged: 21st October 2024, <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade</i> .	P.74/2024.
Modern Languages in Schools (P.74/2024) – Children’s Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 21st October 2024, <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade</i> .	P.74/2024. Add.
Modern Languages in Schools (P.74/2024): amendment. Lodged: 3rd December 2024, <i>Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning</i> .	P.74/2024. Amd.

Modern Languages in Schools (P.74/2024): amendment (P.74/2024 Amd.) – Children’s Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 3rd December 2024, <i>Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning</i> .	P.74/2024. Amd.Add.
Draft Employment and Discrimination (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-. Lodged: 6th November 2024, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	P.78/2024.
Draft Employment and Discrimination (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-. (P.78/2024) – Children’s Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 6th November 2024, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	P.78/2024. Add.
Draft Termination of Pregnancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- Lodged: 6th November 2024, <i>Minister for Health and Social Services</i> .	P.79/2024.
Draft Termination of Pregnancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-(P.79/2024) – Children’s Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 6th November 2024, <i>Minister for Health and Social Services</i> .	P.79/2024. Add.
Selection of Elected Member to Preside at States Meetings. Lodged: 5th December 2024, <i>Deputy I.J. Gorst of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter</i> .	P.86/2024.
Selection of Elected Member to Preside at States Meetings. (P.86/2024) – Children’s Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 5th December 2024, <i>Deputy I.J. Gorst of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter</i> .	P.86/2024. Add.

Compliments of the season

The Bailiff exchanged compliments of the season with all Members, represented by the Connétable of St. Helier on behalf of the Connétables and Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier Central on behalf of the Deputies.

THE STATES rose at 10:43 a.m.

L.-M. HART

Greffier of the States