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PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(72nd Meeting)

2nd November 2020Hybrid meeting conducted via Microsoft Teams**PART A (Non-Exempt)**

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour, from whom apologies had been received.

Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier, Chairman  
 Connétable A.S. Crowcroft of St. Helier  
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat of St. Helier  
 Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier  
 Deputy J.H. Perchard of St. Saviour

In attendance -

Dr. M. Egan, Greffier of the States  
 L.M. Hart, Deputy Greffier of the States  
 W. Millow, Assistant Greffier (Chamber and Members' Support)  
 K. de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A and Part B.

Minutes

A1. The Minutes of the meetings held on 25th September (Part A only), 5th October 2020 (Part A and Part B) and 19th October (Part B only), having previously been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Forthcoming  
 business for  
 debate by the  
 States  
 Assembly.

A2. The Committee, with reference to its Minute No. A2 of 5th October 2020, considered forthcoming business for debate by the States Assembly.

The Committee noted a Proposition lodged by Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier (P.142/2020) 'Draft Amendment (No.49) of the Standing Orders of The States of Jersey' was scheduled for debate on 1st December 2020 and agreed to consider this matter separately later in the meeting.

The Committee noted a Proposition lodged by Senator L. J. Farnham (P.144/2020) 'Draft Amendment (No. 50) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey' was scheduled for debate on 17th November 2020. The Committee noted that the proposition sought to increase the majority of the Assembly to 32 members on matters that would: alter the membership of the States; change the term of office of any elected members; and / or alter, or extinguish, the constituencies of any class of elected member. The Committee agreed that the proposition was a political decision and decided that it did not wish to formally lodge an Amendment to, or present a Comment on, P.144/2020.

The Committee noted that Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour and the Connétable of St. Clement had both submitted amendments to its Proposition (P.139/2020) 'Composition and Election of the States: Proposed Changes'. The Chair advised the Committee that he had spoken with both Deputy Maçon and the Connétable of St. Clement prior to the submission of their Amendments and confirmed that the numbers in each of the respective propositions were sound and within the Venice Commission's allowable variance of 15 per cent maximum. The Chair opined that it was good for the Assembly to have 3 different choices on this matter. The Committee agreed to publish a Comment to confirm that the figures used in each of the Amendments to P.139/2020 were robust.