

STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT EMERGENCY POWERS AND PLANNING (AMENDMENT NO. 2) (JERSEY) LAW 200 (P.220/2005): COMMENTS

**Presented to the States on 16th January 2006
by the Council of Ministers**

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The Council of Ministers supports the proposal that the Chief Minister should become the Chairman of the Emergencies Council, and that the Bailiff should have the right to attend and be heard at all meetings.

This proposal is in accordance with the position taken by the Policy and Resources Committee in 2004 when it agreed to support a number of proposed changes to the Emergencies Council, including the appointment of the Chief Minister as Chairman, and the establishment of a quorum in the event of an emergency. The proposed changes to the Emergency Powers and Planning Law were unsuccessful in obtaining a place in the 2005/6 law drafting programmes, but it is planned that the remaining changes will be pursued and brought back to the States in due course.