

**STATES MEMBERS' INCOME SUPPORT  
AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE (P.207/97):  
SECOND AMENDMENTS**

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SECOND AMENDMENTS OF STATES MEMBERS' INCOME  
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1. *In paragraph 2 for sub-paragraph (b) substitute the following -*
  - (b) the annual allowance paid to States members to cover expenses such as telephone, postage and transport costs, incurred in consequence of States membership, shall remain at £8,000 and shall be payable quarterly in advance on application to the Treasurer of the States;
  
2. *In paragraph 2 for sub-paragraph (d) (ii) substitute the following -*

expense allowance - in accordance with the Retail Prices Index figure as at the end of each year;
  
3. *In paragraph 3 in clause (i) after the word support insert the words and those in receipt of the annual allowance*

SENATOR J.A. LE MAISTRE

## **Report**

I firmly believe that the proposals contained in proposition P.207/97 relating to 2(b)(i)(ii) are in danger of proving over bureaucratic, with a considerable amount of time being spent in pushing paper around and also involve the Treasurer in deciding which are and which are not appropriate expenses. Furthermore, there are some members who suggest that the sum currently paid is not required and yet I understand that virtually every member receives the amount. This does not seem logical and my amendment will enable those who feel strongly about this aspect, not to claim it if they so choose.

My amendment to paragraph 2(d)(ii) is consequential upon the above.

The proposals of the House Committee will have the effect of having two systems relating to expenses operating at the same time and in my view this is unacceptable.

It then follows that if a list is to be published (paragraph 3(i) of the proposition) it should contain the names of members who claim either the expense allowance or income support or both.