

# STATES OF JERSEY



Jersey

## DRAFT AMENDMENT (No. 45) OF THE STANDING ORDERS OF THE STATES OF JERSEY

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Lodged au Greffe on 14th February 2020  
by the Scrutiny Liaison Committee

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## REPORT

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1. If adopted, this amendment to Standing Orders would increase the maximum number of Members permitted to serve on a Scrutiny Panel, in addition to a Chair, from 4 to 5. The associated rule regarding the number of Panels that a Member is allowed to serve on concurrently (2 at present) would also be removed (see Standing Order 135 paragraph (3)).
2. Although relatively minor, these changes would represent a positive contribution towards a key objective of the Scrutiny Liaison Committee to encourage the involvement and engagement of as many Members as possible in the scrutiny work of the Assembly. Whilst all parties would need to remain mindful of the risk of individuals taking on excessive responsibilities, the changes offer Members and Panels increased flexibility, choice and opportunity, and should enable workloads to be more effectively shared.

### **Financial and manpower implications**

There are no financial or manpower implications arising from the adoption of this Amendment to Standing Orders.



**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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This Amendment to the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey will make changes to the appointment of members to, and the constitution of, a scrutiny panel.

*Amendment 1* amends standing order 125 to increase the number of members a scrutiny panel chair may wish the panel to have from not exceeding 4 to not exceeding 5.

*Amendment 2* amends standing order 135 to increase the number of members a scrutiny panel consists of to not more than 5.

*Amendment 3* also amends standing order 135 to remove the restriction that an elected member cannot be a member of more than 2 scrutiny panels.

*Amendment 4* gives the title to this Amendment and provides for it to come into force on the day after the day it is made.





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## **DRAFT AMENDMENT (No. 45) OF THE STANDING ORDERS OF THE STATES OF JERSEY**

*Made* [date to be inserted]  
*Coming into force* [date to be inserted]

**THE STATES** make the following Amendment to the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey<sup>1</sup> under Article 48 of the States of Jersey Law 2005<sup>2</sup> –

### **1 Standing order 125 (Members of scrutiny panel: appointment process) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey amended**

In standing order 125 of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey<sup>3</sup> –

- (a) in paragraph (1), for “(not exceeding 4)” there is substituted “(not exceeding 5)”;
- (b) in paragraph (7), for “(provided that the membership does not exceed 4)” there is substituted “(provided that the membership does not exceed 5)”.

### **2 Standing order 135 (Scrutiny panels: establishment and constitution) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey amended**

In standing order 135(2) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey<sup>4</sup> for “(but not more than 4)” there is substituted “(but not more than 5)”.

### **3 Standing order 135 (Scrutiny panels: establishment and constitution) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey amended**

For standing order 135(3) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey<sup>5</sup> there is substituted –

- “(3) An elected member cannot be chair of more than one scrutiny panel.”.

### **4 Citation and commencement**

This Amendment may be cited as Amendment (No. 45) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey and comes into force on the day after it is made.

**ENDNOTES**

**Table of Endnote References**

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<i>1</i>	<i>chapter 16.800.15</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>chapter 16.800</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>chapter 16.800.15</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>chapter 16.800.15</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>chapter 16.800.15</i>