

# **Tuesday 3rd November 2015**

## A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

# B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Employment (Minimum Wage) (Amendment No. 9) (Jersey) Order 2015. R&O.125/2015. *Minister for Social Security*.

Financial Services Ombudsman (Eligible Complainants) (Jersey) Order 2015. R&O.128/2015. *Minister for Economic Development.* 

Adoption (Amendment No. 5) Rules 2015. R&O.129/2015. Superior Number of the Royal Court.

Aircraft Registration (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2015. R&O.130/2015. *Minister for Economic Development.* 

Aircraft Registration (Nationality and Registration Marks) (Jersey) Order 2015. R&O.131/2015. *Minister for Economic Development.* 

## C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED OR LAID

States of Jersey Investment Strategies. R.119/2015.

Presented: 22nd October 2015.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Jersey International Finance Centre: Financial Viability (Interim Report). S.R.7/2015.

Presented: 30th October 2015. *Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.* 

Supply of housing (S.R.5/2015): joint response of the Minister for Housing and the Minister for Planning and Environment.

S.R.5/2015.

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Presented: 27th October 2015.

Minister for Housing.

# D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

Draft Public Employees (Pension Scheme) (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Consequential Amendments) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.99/2015): amendment.

Amd. Lodged: 30th October 2015.

States Employment Board.

Jersey Appointments Commission: appointment of Commissioner. P.131/2015. Lodged: 22nd October 2015. (re-issue)

States Employment Board.

Channel Islands Lottery: allocation of profits for 2014. P.132/2015.

Lodged: 23rd October 2015.

Minister for Economic Development.



States of Jersey Complaints Panel: appointment of Deputy Chairman.

Lodged: 23rd October 2015.

Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Draft EU Legislation (Consumer Protection – Unfair Practices) (Jersey)

P.134/2015.

P.133/2015.

Regulations 201-.

Lodged: 26th October 2015.

Minister for Economic Development.

## E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

# F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

# G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

#### H. PETITIONS

# I. QUESTIONS

# (a) - Written Questions

(attached)

- 1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier regarding the valuation of the Jersey International Finance Centre.
- 2. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding discussions with the U.K. Government on Jersey's ability to accept refugee families.
- 3. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding Jersey's low inflation rate.
- 4. The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the use of population projections to determine the capacity of Les Quennevais School.
- 5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding alcohol advertising and product placement.
- 6. The Chairman of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the alcohol strategy.
- 7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the implementation of eGovernment policies.
- 8. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding service delivery and outsourcing.
- 9. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the recruitment and retention of nursing staff.



- 10. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding loss of income for those receiving Long Term Incapacity Allowance.
- 11. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding benefit cuts.
- 12. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding assessments for the receipt of Long Term Incapacity Allowance.
- 13. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Historic Abuse Compensation Scheme.
- 14. The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Loi (1804) au Sujet des Assemblées Paroissiales.
- 15. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding telecommunications legislation.

# (b) - Oral Questions

(120 minutes)

- 1. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables
  - "Will the Chairman advise what discussions, if any, have taken place with the Social Security Department following the suggestion by the Connétable of St. Peter in the States on 6th October 2015 that a welfare payment for vulnerable members of the community could be introduced in conjunction with the parishes, and outline what consideration has been given to the assistance that would be provided and how people could apply?"
- 2. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services
  - "Can the Minister advise whether the mental health of some of Jersey's most vulnerable residents has been exacerbated by the realization that their Income Support is being cut, and if so, what steps, if any, does the Minister propose to take to alleviate this?"
- 3. Deputy P.D. McLinton will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services
  - "Following recent publicity regarding the alleged cruel treatment of a cat which had been run over and euthanized at the side of the road by the driver, would the Minister consider extending the law to require drivers to report accidents involving cats to the police, putting cats on a parity with dogs, and if not, why not?"
- 4. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security
  - "What efforts, if any, has the Social Security Department made to inform benefits recipients of the full implications of the cuts to their benefits beginning on 1st January next year?"
- 5. Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources
  - "How does the Minister justify an increase of approximately £50,000,000 in projected profits in relation to the Jersey International Finance Centre compared to earlier forecasts?"



6. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

"Following the news that mobile roaming charges are being abolished across the European Union, could the Minister inform members whether the government has any intention of seeking to apply those new rules to Jersey?"

## (c) – Questions to Ministers without notice (30 minutes) –

1st question period – Minister for Social Security

2nd question period – Chief Minister

## J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

#### K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

#### L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Ratification of the Agreement between the Government of Jersey and the Government of the Republic of Korea on the exchange of information relating to tax matters.

P.93/2015.

Lodged: 11th August 2015. *Minister for External Relations.* 

Draft Taxation (Exchange of Information with Third Countries) (Amendment P.108/2015.

No. 13) (Jersey) Regulations 201-.

Lodged: 17th September 2015. *Minister for External Relations.* 

Ratification of the Agreement between the Government of Jersey and the P.95/2015.

Government of the Republic of Seychelles for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income.

Lodged: 12th August 2015.

Minister for External Relations.

Draft Taxation (Double Taxation) (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.109/2015.

Lodged: 17th September 2015. *Minister for External Relations.* 

Draft Honorary Police (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 201-.

-. P.110/2015.

Lodged: 18th September 2015.

Comité des Connétables.

## M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

# **17th November 2015**

Draft Public Employees (Pension Scheme) (Administration) (Jersey) Regulations P.96/2015.

Lodged: 17th August 2015. *States Employment Board.* 



Draft Public Employees (Pension Scheme) (Funding and Valuation) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 18th August 2015. States Employment Board.	P.97/2015.
Draft Public Employees (Pension Scheme) (Membership and Benefits) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 18th August 2015. States Employment Board.	P.98/2015.
Draft Public Employees (Pension Scheme) (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Consequential Amendments) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 18th August 2015. States Employment Board.	P.99/2015.
Draft Public Employees (Pension Scheme) (Transitional Provisions, Savings and Consequential Amendments) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.99/2015): amendment. Lodged: 30th October 2015. States Employment Board.	P.99/2015. Amd.
Draft Public Employees (Pensions) (Jersey) Law 2014 (Appointed Day) Act 201 Lodged: 18th August 2015. States Employment Board.	P.100/2015.
Draft Public Finances (Amendment of Law No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 24th September 2015. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	P.114/2015.
Draft Road Traffic (No. 62) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 1st October 2015. Minister for Transport and Technical Services.	P.115/2015.
Draft Rates (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 201 Lodged: 6th October 2015. Comité des Connétables.	P.116/2015.
Public Lotteries Board: appointment of Chairman and members. Lodged: 19th October 2015. Minister for Economic Development.	P.121/2015.
Jersey Financial Services Commission: appointment of Commissioner. Lodged: 20th October 2015. Chief Minister. (Consideration 'in camera')	P.126/2015.
1st December 2015	
Ex Gratia payment to Mr. Roy Boschat. Lodged: 24th July 2015. Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour.	P.82/2015.
Ex Gratia payment to Mr. Roy Boschat (P.82/2015): addendum. Presented: 30th July 2015.  Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour.	P.82/2015. Add.



Ratification of the Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement on Automatic P.117/2015. Exchange of Financial Account Information to improve international tax compliance based on the Common Reporting Standard for the Automatic Exchange of Financial Information approved by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. Lodged: 13th October 2015. Minister for External Relations. Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Common P.118/2015. Reporting Standard) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. Lodged: 13th October 2015. Minister for External Relations. Draft EU Legislation (Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies) (Jersey) P.119/2015. Regulations 201-. Lodged: 14th October 2015. Minister for Planning and Environment. Draft Commissioner for Standards (Jersey) Law 201-. P.120/2015. Lodged: 15th October 2015. Privileges and Procedures Committee. Draft Employment (Minimum Wage) (Amendment No. 12) (Jersey) Regulations P.122/2015. Lodged: 20th October 2015. Minister for Social Security. Draft Employment (Amendment No. 9) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.123/2015. Lodged: 20th October 2015. Minister for Social Security. Draft Taxation (Implementation) (Disclosure Facility) (Repeal) (Jersey) Regulations P.124/2015. 201-. Lodged: 20th October 2015. Minister for External Relations. Draft EU Legislation (Payment Services – SEPA) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.125/2015. Lodged: 20th October 2015. Chief Minister. Jersey Bank Depositors Compensation Board: appointment of members. P.130/2015. Lodged: 20th October 2015. Chief Minister. Jersey Appointments Commission: appointment of Commissioner. P.131/2015. Lodged: 22nd October 2015. (re-issue) States Employment Board. States of Jersey Complaints Panel: appointment of Deputy Chairman. P.133/2015. Lodged: 23rd October 2015. Privileges and Procedures Committee.

15th December 2015 (Meeting to commence at 2.30 p.m. on 14th December 2015)

Draft Budget Statement 2016. Lodged: 20th October 2015.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

P.127/2015.



Draft Finance (2016 Budget) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.129/2015.

Lodged: 20th October 2015.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Income Tax (Amendment No. 45) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.128/2015.

Lodged: 20th October 2015.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft States of Jersey (Transfer of Functions No. 8) (Miscellaneous Transfers)

(Jersey) Regulations 201-. (*Principles approved on 20th October 2015*.)

P.46/2015. (re-issue)

Lodged: 6th May 2015.

Chief Minister.

Channel Islands Lottery: allocation of profits for 2014. P.132/2015.

Lodged: 23rd October 2015.

Minister for Economic Development.

# 19th January 2016

Draft EU Legislation (Consumer Protection – Unfair Practices) (Jersey) Regulations P.134/2015. 201-.

Lodged: 26th October 2015.

Minister for Economic Development.

# M.N. DE LA HAYE, O.B.E. Greffier of the States

29th October 2015

## Note -

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2015 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th November 2015.



# Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

#### R&O.125/2015.

This Order amends Article 2 of the Employment (Minimum Wage) (Jersey) Order 2007, to increase the minimum hourly wage to £6.97 for employees other than trainees, to £5.23 for trainees in their first year, and to £6.10 for trainees in their second year. The increases take effect on 1st April 2016.

The Order was made on 20th October 2015 and comes into force on 1st April 2016.

#### R&O.128/2015.

This Order makes further provision as to the eligibility of complainants under Article 8 of the Financial Services Ombudsman (Jersey) Law 2014. Under Article 8(3)(a) of the Law an individual is eligible, but only if not acting for the purposes of his or her trade, business or profession. Under Article 8(3)(b) a microenterprise is eligible. This Order adds a further category of eligible complainant, under Article 8(3)(c), in relation to charities.

Article 1 contains definitions. A "small Jersey charity" is defined as a body or trust that is entitled to income tax exemption (by virtue of its charitable and related purposes), but subject to an income condition. The condition is that the charity's total income must be less than £2,000,000 in the tax assessment year preceding the year in which the charity refers a complaint to the Ombudsman.

Article 2 specifies the additional categories of eligible complainant. In each of these cases the complainant must also meet the requirements of Article 8(2)(b) and (c) of the Law, in not being a financial service provider and in having the required relationship to the relevant provider. Under the Financial Services Ombudsman (Exempt Business) (Jersey) Order 2014, carrying on trust company business does not, without more, amount to being a financial service provider.

A small Jersey charity is specified as an eligible complainant if it is a corporation or association, such as a foundation or an association incorporated under the Loi (1862) sur les teneures en fidéicommis et l'incorporation d'associations. This will apply to such charities even though they are not individuals or microenterprises (and so cannot already be eligible under Article 8(3)(a) or (b) of the Law).

A trust is not a person, so if the small Jersey charity is a trust then its trustees are specified as eligible complainants when making a complaint for the benefit of the charity. Trustees are already eligible under Article 8(3)(a) and (b) of the Law if they are individuals not acting for the purposes of their trade, business or profession, or if they are corporate trustees which are microenterprises. So the effect of this provision is to extend eligibility to trustees (of small Jersey charities), where they are individual professional trustees, or are corporate trustees which are not microenterprises.

A Guernsey charity is similarly specified as an eligible complainant, if it is also eligible under Guernsey's equivalent scheme.

Article 3 names the Order and brings it into force on the commencement of Article 8 of the Law, which will be on 16th November 2015 (under the Financial Services Ombudsman (Jersey) Law 2014 (Appointed Day) (No. 3) Act 2015).

The Order was made on 21st October 2015 and comes into force on 16th November 2015.

#### R&O.129/2015.

These Rules make provision about certain procedures in applying for an adoption. The provisions are necessitated by changes to the Adoption (Jersey) Law 1961 made by the Adoption (Amendment No. 7) (Jersey) Law 2015.



The Rules amend the Adoption Rules 1962 by -

- replacing all references to "infant" (or "infant's") in the Rules with references to "child" (or "child's");
- substituting Rule 6 to prescribe new procedures relating to agreements or consents by certain persons to an adoption order, including the child being adopted if he or she is 14 or over (and inserting new Forms 5, 5A and 6 with regard to such agreements or consents);
- inserting a new Rule 6A governing applications to the Court to dispense with the agreement of a spouse or civil partner;
- inserting a new Rule 28A (and a new Form 11) governing applications for disclosure to an adopted person of certain documents held by the Court.

The Rules were made by the Superior Number of the Royal Court on 22nd October 2015 and came into force on 29th October 2015.

#### R&O.130/2015.

This Order sets the fees payable under the Aircraft Registration (Jersey) Law 2014.

Article 2 provides for the citation of the Order and for it to come into force the day after it is made.

The Order was made on 23rd October 2015 and came into force on 24th October 2015.

#### R&O.131/2015.

This Order makes provision for the form and manner of display of the nationality mark and registration mark of an aircraft registered in Jersey.

Article 1 provides for the nationality mark of an aircraft registered in Jersey to be ZJ and for the registration mark of such an aircraft to be three letters assigned by the Registrar from any series of letters between the letters AAA - ZZZ except that the letters I, O and S shall not be included in the series.

Article 1 also provides for the letters of the nationality mark and registration mark on an aircraft registered in Jersey to be without ornamentation and for a hyphen to be placed between the nationality mark and the registration mark. The nationality mark and registration mark must be displayed to the best advantage, taking into consideration the constructional features of the aircraft and must always be kept clean and visible. The letters constituting the nationality mark and registration mark must be of equal height and together with the hyphen, must all be of the same single colour which must clearly contrast with the background on which they appear. The nationality mark and registration mark must be painted on the aircraft, or affixed to the aircraft by any other means ensuring a similar degree of permanence, in the manner specified in Articles 2, 3 and 4.

Article 2 provides for the position in which the nationality mark and registration mark must be placed on an aircraft registered in Jersey and for the size of the marks.

Article 3 specifies the width, thickness and spacing of the nationality mark and registration mark on an aircraft registered in Jersey.

Article 4 provides for the nationality mark and registration mark to be inscribed on a fire-proof metal plate affixed in a prominent position on the fuselage of an aircraft registered in Jersey.

Article 5 provides for the citation of the Order and for it to come into force the day after it is made.

The Order was made on 23rd October 2015 and came into force on 24th October 2015.



(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier –

"The Minister recently released some limited information relating to the DTZ valuation on what would be the completed Jersey International Finance Centre development at some time in the future. Can the Minister advise:

- (i) what the cost of the valuation was;
- (ii) whether the Treasury statement that 'The latest DTZ valuation was undertaken in accordance with the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors' regulations and attributes an estimated aggregate value of £332 million to the completed office development' means that it was carried out as a red book valuation in accordance with standard RICS standards;
- (iii) what average rent figure was used and what yield percentage was used to achieve a valuation of £332,000,000 valuation on the completed development of 470,000 square feet; and
- (iv) whether the full report will be published immediately to ensure transparency?"
- 2. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

"Could the Chief Minister update the Assembly on what progress, if any, has been made during discussions with the U.K. Government on Jersey's ability to accept refugee families? Could he further inform the Assembly when he believes those discussions will be concluded and the full details announced to the public?"

3. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

"What plans, if any, does the Minister have to prevent Jersey's low inflation rate from turning into deflation?"

4. The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

"Will the Minister provide the concrete population projections for both the Island and the new Les Quennevais School intake which are being used to determine the capacity of the new Les Quennevais School, including figures for the opening date and each 10 years thereafter until 2057?"

5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

"Does the Minister have any plans to restrict the advertising and product placement of alcohol, as has been the case for tobacco, and if not, why not? Furthermore, when can members expect to see a cohesive alcohol strategy being published?"



6. The Chairman of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

"Does the Chairman consider that the lack of a current governmental alcohol strategy should be of concern to this Assembly and, if so will he outline the reasons why? Also, does his Panel consider that any above inflationary increases on alcohol duty should be opposed until a cohesive strategy is produced?"

7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Will the Chief Minister, as Chairman of the States Employment Board (SEB), outline the options under consideration by SEB to enable the implementation of eGovernment policies and, in particular, the potential outsourcing of over 50 jobs in Information Services? Will he further clarify the statement made by the Chief Executive of the States that: "Their jobs are not formally at risk yet – we are just market testing. We are just seeing what the market can offer us"?

What impact has the response of the SEB and its officers to a leaked document had upon public sector employees across all departments and has this resulted in increased anxiety among employees? In this regard, will the Chief Minister assure members that future plans for restructuring will be subject to open and transparent consultation with States employees and their representatives at the earliest opportunity in line with good employment practice?"

8. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister list for members the current services delivered by his department to the public or other departments and indicate whether he intends to reduce, cease or outsource any of these services as part of his commitment to the delivery of the targets set by the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP)? Will he also inform members what reduction in staffing numbers through natural wastage/voluntary release have been achieved by the department in delivering the MTFP so far and what further reductions are being targeted?

In relation to the foregoing, will he further state whether his department has given notice that it intends to withdraw from the contract to service gardens/public space for Andium Homes, and if so why? Is it also the intention to withdraw from a similar contract with the Education Department, and will he state the reasons which underpin this decision?"

9. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Does the Minister accept that the inability of the General Hospital to recruit and retain nursing staff revealed in the answer to question 9014, tabled on 20th October 2015, shows that his department is no longer capable of delivering a full health service which meets the reasonable needs of residents?

To what extent has the need to close beds on safety grounds due to lack of staff been brought about by the need to meet 2015 spending reductions, for example, by deferring recruitment for some posts, and if so, can the Minister assure members that he has measures in hand to ensure that staffing is brought up to full complement in 2016, and if not, why not?

In particular, what measures does the Minister have under consideration to reduce the waiting time for initial orthopaedic appointments along with the waiting time for procedures, other than to prioritise relatively minor procedures that do not require bed occupancy in order to cope, and if



none, why? With medical and orthopaedic beds closed what measures does the Minister have in hand to prevent a crisis in the health service this winter?"

10. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Given that the Minister's response to written question 9012, tabled on 20th October 2015, fails to point out that, although the most common award of Long Term Incapacity Allowance (L.T.I.A.) is 20% (approximately £40 per week), this represents only 8% of claims, can the Minister provide the average loss of income for those receiving L.T.I.A.?

Can the Minister also advise whether, given that the average L.T.I.A. award of those who also need Income Support is some £5,900 annually or £110 weekly, this results in an average loss from the removal of Income Support disregard not of £2.40 but of close to £7.00 weekly?

Is the Minister's statement that 'the Department has not in any way decreased the income support to those with disabilities' correct given the above figures?"

11. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Can the Minister advise whether attempts to cut benefits in an equitable manner by 'spreading the cuts over large groups to minimise individual impact' have failed because they have concentrated on the interaction between the benefits system and Income Support which only apply to a minority of recipients (1,700 out of 17,500 local pensioners and 1,500 of 4,500 who have an Long Term Incapacity Allowance claim)? Can targeting those on Income Support who are the least well-off be considered to comply with the intention to be 'fair'?

Will the Minister also inform members how many recipients of Long Term Incapacity Allowance are also in receipt of personal care, clinical care and mobility components and are therefore protected from the full impact of the changes as per her previous answers?"

12. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister:

- (a) complete the table below showing the number of people claiming Long Term Incapacity Allowance from the department according to their assessed degree of incapacity over the time period together with the cost of the benefit;
- (b) advise members how the degree of incapacity is calculated and by whom;
- (c) advise members how mental incapacity is calculated, by whom, and the qualifications of the assessors?"

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13. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"With regard to the Historic Abuse Compensation Scheme, will the Chief Minister advise members:

- (a) how many claims were made;
- (b) how many have been settled;
- (c) how many remain outstanding;
- (d) how many claims were rejected;
- (e) how compensation payments were calculated and how many claims were made and settled within each category;
- (f) how much money has been paid out in total;
- (g) how much money has been paid to States lawyers to date; and
- (h) how much money has been paid to lawyers representing claimants to date?"
- 14. The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Will the Chairman advise members whether the Articles of the Loi (1804) au Sujet des Assemblées Paroissiales:

- (a) are still relevant in 2015 and whether consideration should be given as to whether they should or should not be repealed in part or in their entirety; and
- (b) whether there are any plans to amend or repeal Article 3, which allows Deputies in the States the right to attend Assemblies of the parish they represent, but not vote at them?"
- 15. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Will H.M. Attorney General advise members whether the Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 1972 or the Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002 limited, or limits, the rights of employees of Jersey Telecoms to sue their employer for breach of contract or tort?"



# ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

(See Item I(c))

# **Questions without notice** 2015

Treasury and Resources **November 17th** Home Affairs

December 1st Chief Minister

Education, Sport and Culture Health and Social Services **December 14th Economic Development**