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SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT POLICY (P.104/2010): SECOND AMENDMENT AND AMENDMENT TO SECOND AMENDMENT (P.104/2010 Amd.(2)) AND Amd.(2)Amd.)) – COMMENTS

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COMMENTS

The Minister for Treasury and Resources wishes to bring to the attention of States Members that both the second amendment (by the Connétable of St. Helier) and the amendment to the second amendment (by the Minister for Transport and Technical Services) require the Chief Minister to bring forward an additional £500,000 in future draft Annual Business Plans over and above that currently allocated. Whilst States approval of this amendment (as amended if applicable) and the main proposition (as amended) would bind the Chief Minister to bring forward such a spending proposal, initially in the 2012 Business Plan, this creates 2 risks –

- (1) That the States would not approve the additional expenditure proposed. In this case the Minister for Transport and Technical Services would be committed to be delivering elements additional to those proposed in P.104/2010 without any additional funding. This could impact on other aspects of that Department's service delivery.
- (2) That in putting forward any approved additional expenditure the Chief Minister would need to either
 - (a) remove £500,000 from another Department's cash limit for 2012 so as to remain within the overall spending "envelope" proposed in the 2011 Budget; or
 - (b) increase the overall spending "envelope" proposed in the 2011 Budget by £500,000. This would severely compromise the integrity of this Assembly in maintaining spending targets.

Should the Assembly approve the amendment (as amended if applicable), the Minister for Treasury and Resources must, in the first instance, indicate that he would expect any additional costs to be absorbed by the Transport and Technical Services Department within currently proposed expenditure limits.