

**STATEMENT TO BE MADE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES
COMMITTEE ON 7th JUNE 2005**

Yesterday Committee Presidents met to discuss the arrangement of States business for the remainder of 2005.

It is clear that there are a very significant number of major items to consider in the coming months.

A list of the items that the Presidents were aware of yesterday is appended to this statement showing the proposed dates for debate and the order in which it is recommended that the items be listed for consideration on each day.

Presidents were also aware that adequate time must be allowed for private members' propositions to be debated even though none are shown on the attached list.

It was agreed yesterday that the following matters should be drawn to members' attention today –

there is a considerable volume of business set down for 21st June 2005 as shown on the list. It may therefore be necessary for members to agree to meet on Thursday 23rd June, in addition to the first continuation day on Wednesday 22nd, if the States are in the middle of a debate on one of the major items listed;

it is likely that members will need to set aside at least two days a week throughout late June, July and all of September and early October to complete the business. Although the States have agreed to have two continuation days set aside for each meeting (normally Wednesday and the following Tuesday) it is likely that the 2nd Wednesday may also be needed on occasions;

all Committees need to be aware that, if the States are to complete the remaining business in an orderly fashion, all matters for debate before December should be lodged no later than the end of July. Members have agreed that the States should not meet in the run up to both the senatorial and Deputies elections and there are therefore very few meeting days between the beginning of October and the Budget which is set down for 29th November, just before members are sworn in after the elections. It is not realistic to expect major items that are not lodged before the end of July (with the obvious exception of the Budget) to be debated this year.

STATES BUSINESS 2005

Major items for debate for the remainder of 2005

	Committee	Proposed date for debate
Income Support Scheme	ESSC	21st June
Migration Policy	P&R	21st June
Island Plan 2002 amendments	EPSC	21st June
Freedom of Information	PPC	21st June
Solid Waste Strategy	EPSC	5th July
Employment of States of Jersey Employees Law	P&R	5th July
MoGR – future structure of EPSC functions	P&R	5th July
Future structure of planning process under ministerial government	EPSC	5th July
Public Finances Law – amendments	F&E	5th July
Child abduction matters (x3)	Legislation	5th July
Rural Economy Strategy	EDC	19th July
Companies and Bankruptcy Law amendments	EDC	19th July
Water Resources Law	EPSC	19th July
Sunday Trading relaxation	Legislation	19th July

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States Business Plan ('Resource Plan')	P&R	13th September
Cultural Strategy	ESC	13th September
Standing Orders	PPC	13th September

Transport strategy	EPSC	13th September
Criminal justice policy	Home Aff	27th September
PECRS Regulations– past service liability	P&R	September
Planning and Building Law (Appointed Day Act)	EPSC	September
New Rates Law	P&R	September
Sunday Trading Law	Legislation	September
Jersey Post incorporation – final steps	F&E/EDC?	September
Restrictions on smoking	HSSC	? September
High Hedges Law	EPSC	(Autumn)
Post custodial supervision	Home Aff	(Autumn)
Air and Sea Transport policy	EDC	(Autumn)
Copyright (etc) legislation	EDC	(Autumn)
Island Plan amendments (sheltered housing etc.	EPSC	(Autumn)
Commercial/Domestic Rates apportionment (if new Rates Law adopted)	P&R	(Late autumn)
Budget 2006	F&E	29th November