

STATES OF JERSEY



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DRAFT AMENDMENT (No. 52) OF THE STANDING ORDERS OF THE STATES OF JERSEY

**Lodged au Greffe on 10th May 2021
by the Privileges and Procedures Committee
Earliest date for debate: 8th June 2021**

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REPORT

This draft amendment to the [Standing Orders of the States of Jersey](#) arises from the Assembly's adoption of the draft [Constitution of the States and Public Elections Law 202-](#), as amended by the Third Amendment to the draft Law ([P.17/2021 Amd.\(3\)](#)).

The amendment to the Law altered the provisions of the [States of Jersey Law 2005](#) to state that the Common Strategic Policy should be lodged by the Council of Ministers no later than the day on which the Council's first Government Plan is lodged and within 4 months of the Council's appointment.

In the report accompanying the amendment, it was explained that a consequential amendment to Standing Orders would be needed; as the time available in 2022 for the next Council of Ministers to develop the first Government Plan of the term was reduced from 15 weeks to 10 weeks by the date of the next election being set as 22nd June 2022.

This amendment to Standing Orders would therefore reduce the minimum lodging period for the Government Plan from the current 12 weeks to 10 weeks. This would give the incoming Council of Ministers 12 weeks to develop, agree and lodge the Government Plan for 2023 to 2026 (and, by way of the alignment introduced with the amendment to the States of Jersey Law 2005, the Common Strategic Policy).

The minimum lodging period for amendments, and amendments to amendments, to the Government Plan would remain the same as they are presently: 2 weeks and 1 week respectively.

Financial and manpower implications

There are no financial and manpower implications arising from adoption of this proposition.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This draft amendment to standing order 26 of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey, if passed, would provide that the minimum lodging period for a Government Plan should be 10 weeks, rather than the 12-week minimum lodging period that currently applies.



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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 Jersey¹ under Article 48 of the States of Jersey Law 2005² –

1 Standing Order 26 amended

In standing order 26 of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey³ –

(a) for paragraph (4A) there is substituted –

“(4A) A minimum lodging period of 10 weeks applies to a government plan.”;

(b) in paragraph (5)(b) for “12 weeks” there is substituted “10 weeks”.

2 Citation and commencement

This Amendment may be cited as Amendment (No. 52) 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

<u>1</u>	<i>chapter 16.800.15</i>
<u>2</u>	<i>chapter 16.800</i>
<u>3</u>	<i>chapter 16.800.15</i>