

KS/SC/207

PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(42nd Meeting)

(Business conducted by electronic mail)23rd July 2019**PART A (Non-Exempt)**

All members were present, with the exception of Connétable C. H. Taylor of St. John, Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat of St. Helier and Deputy J.H. Perchard of St. Saviour, from whom apologies had been received.

Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier, Chairman
 Connétable A.S. Crowcroft of St. Helier
 Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour
 Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier

In attendance -

W. Millow, Assistant Greffier of the States (Chamber)
 K.L. Slack, Clerk to the Privileges and Procedures Committee

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only

Amendment to
 Standing
 Orders -
 Lodging
 periods for the
 Government
 Plan and
 amendments.
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A1. The Committee, with reference to its Minute No. B5 of 17th June 2019, recalled that it had decided to bring a proposal to the States Assembly to amend the lodging periods for the Government Plan and any amendments thereto.

The Committee was mindful that the minimum lodging period for the Government Plan was currently 12 weeks; 2 weeks for any amendment thereto and for an amendment to an amendment just one week, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 26. The Committee recalled that the Council of Ministers was of the view that that the 2 week minimum lodging period for amendments to the Government Plan was too short, because it did not afford the Council sufficient time to meet and discuss the implications thereof. Accordingly, it sought to extend the lodging periods for amendments and amendments to amendments to the Government Plan to 3 weeks and 2 weeks respectively.

The Committee was in agreement with this proposal and in order that States Members should not lose any time, once the Government Plan was lodged, for the preparation of amendments, proposed that the minimum lodging period for the Plan itself should be increased to 14 weeks.

The Committee received and approved a draft Amendment to Standing Orders to give effect to these changes, together with an accompanying report and instructed the Assistant Greffier (Chamber) to arrange for them to be lodged '*au Greffe*' for debate by the States Assembly in the autumn.