

# STATES OF JERSEY



## **PUBLIC SECTOR HOUSING: ESTABLISHMENT OF A MANAGEMENT COMPANY (P.105/2003) - COMMENTS**

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## COMMENTS

The Committee does not support this Proposition although it does recognise that there may be advantages to be gained in transferring States rental accommodation into a separate body. The Committee does not believe that the advantages, as set out in the report, of managing more proactively the portfolio of property and utilising the property as collateral to raise funds, are achievable by simply “privatising” the existing workforce. Furthermore, the proposal that the management board should comprise up to 18 persons, including 6 tenants and 6 State Members, is considered to be unnecessarily cumbersome and probably unworkable.

The funding of the repair and maintenance of the Committee’s stock remains an issue as does the ongoing cost of rent subsidy. The Committee will continue to explore ways of developing a framework for the provision and management of States rental accommodation in the future which combines a greater degree of independence from States funding with suitable safeguards and offers a comprehensive and cost effective service.