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PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(79th Meeting)

9th November 2017**PART A (Non-exempt)**

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour, from whom apologies had been received.

Connétable L. Norman of St. Clement, Chairman
 Connétable D.W. Mezbourian of St. Lawrence
 (not in attendance for item B6)
 Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier
 Deputy S.M. Brée of St. Clement
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier

In attendance -

Dr. M. Egan, Greffier of the States
 W. Millow, Assistant Greffier of the States
 J. Reed, Assistant Law Draftsman (in attendance for item B1 only)
 K.L. Slack, Clerk to the Privileges and Procedures Committee

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A and Part B.

Minutes.

A1. The Minutes of the meetings held on 3rd October 2017 (Part A and Part B), 10th October 2017 (Part B only), 16th October 2017 (Part A only) and 23rd October 2017 (Part B only), having previously been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Forthcoming
 business for
 debate by the
 States
 Assembly.
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A2. The Committee received a list of forthcoming business for debate by the States Assembly at its meetings to be held on 14th November 2017, 28th November 2017 and 12th December 2017 and considered whether it wished to make a formal comment on any of the Propositions that had been lodged '*au Greffe*'.

The Committee decided that it wished to present a comment on Senator P.F.C. Ozouf's amendment to Senator Sir P.M. Bailhache's third amendment to the Chief Minister's Proposition 'Elected Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the States Assembly: selection and appointment' (P.84/2017), as it had a number of concerns in respect therewith, not least that the amendment contravened the Council of Europe's Venice Commission code of good practice on referendums.

The Committee further decided that it wished to present a comment on Senator Ozouf's fourth amendment to the Chief Minister's Proposition 'Elected Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the States Assembly: selection and appointment' (P.84/2017), because it felt that there were procedural complexities arising from the amendment, which it wished to bring to the attention of the States Assembly.

Accordingly, the Committee requested the Greffier of the States to prepare draft comments for its consideration and to circulate them by electronic mail in short order.

Meeting dates
for 2018.
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A3. The Committee agreed its scheduled meeting dates for 2018 as follows:

Current Committee:

9th January 2018
6th February 2018
13th March 2018
17th April 2018

New Committee:

3rd July 2018
4th September 2018
13th November 2018
11th December 2018

The Committee noted that, wherever possible, school holidays had been avoided and that the meetings had been alternated with those of the States Assembly. The Committee was mindful that the general election would take place on 16th May 2018 and that Purdah would commence on 25th April 2018.

It was noted that all the meetings would take place in the Blampied Room, States Building and would commence at 2.30 p.m., unless otherwise advised.