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DRAFT STATES OF JERSEY LAW 2005 (APPOINTED DAY) (No. 2) ACT 200

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REPORT

Although this is an extremely brief and straightforward Appointed Day Act it is, in some ways, one of the most significant pieces of subordinate legislation to come before the States for many years as it will, if adopted, allow the change to the new system of government in the Island by bringing into force the remaining parts of the States of Jersey Law.

This Act brings Articles 18, 19 and 19A of the States of Jersey Law 2005 into force on 24th November 2005. These Articles refer to the composition of the Council and Ministers and the manner in which the Chief Minister and Ministers are appointed. These Articles need to be in force after the elections to enable the appointments process to begin, as planned, on the day that the re-elected and newly elected members of the States are sworn in on Monday 5th December 2005.

The remainder of Act needs to be read alongside the States of Jersey (Modification and Transitional Provisions) (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.223/2005) which have also been lodged 'au Greffe' by the PPC. Those Regulations modify Article 19 of the States of Jersey Law 2005 and provide that the Chief Minister and Ministers selected by the States will take office at midnight after their appointment. This Act brings into force all other remaining provisions of the States of Jersey Law 2005 that will not by then be in force (with the exception of Article 51) at the time that the Council of Ministers takes office.

The coming into force of the remaining parts of the States of Jersey Law 2005 will have a 'domino' effect throughout Jersey's statute book. Legislation such as the States of Jersey Law 1966 and the Public Finances (Administration) (Jersey) Law 1967 will be repealed and new legislation such as the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005 and the Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Jersey) Law 200- will come into effect. In addition the many hundreds of changes to other pieces of legislation that have been approved by the States as a result of the switch from the Committee system to the ministerial system will become effective on the day that the States of Jersey Law 2005 comes fully into force.

Following the decision of the States on 14th September 2005 to repeal Article 51 of the Law that Article is not brought into effect by this Act.

There are no financial and manpower implications arising from this Act itself although it will, of course, trigger all the changes to the government system in Jersey with the associated resource implications that have already been discussed and agreed by the States.

Explanatory Note

Certain provisions of the States of Jersey Law 2005 are already in force, by virtue of Article 53(2) of that Law and the States of Jersey (Appointed Day) (No. 1) Act 2005.

This Act now brings into force Articles 18, 19 and 19A of the States of Jersey Law 2005, for the purposes of the first selection and appointment of a Council of Ministers.

The remainder of the Law is brought into force on the day the first Council of Ministers takes office. However, Article 51 is not brought into force, following the States' decision on 14th September 2005 to adopt the States of Jersey (Amendment No. 2) Law 200, which repeals it.



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Arrangement

Article

- 1 Interpretation
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Made[date to be inserted]Coming into force[date to be inserted]

THE STATES, in pursuance of Article 53(3) of the States of Jersey Law 2005, have made the following Act –

1 Interpretation

In this Act, "Law" means the States of Jersey Law 2005. [1]

2 Provisions commenced

- (1) Articles 18, 19 and 19A of the Law shall come into force on 24th November 2005.
- (2) All other provisions of the Law which are not already in force shall, with the exception of Article 51, come into force on the day that the first Chief Minister and Ministers are appointed to office by virtue of Article 19(7) of the Law as modified by the States of Jersey (Modification and Transitional Provisions) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. [2]

3 Citation

This Act may be cited as the States of Jersey Law 2005 (Appointed Day) (No. 2) Act 200.

[1] L.8/2005.

[2] P.223/2005.