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PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(14th Meeting)

(Business conducted by electronic mail)6th May 2021**PART A (Non-Exempt)**

All members were present.

Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier, Chair
 Senator T.A. Vallois, Vice-Chair
 Connétable A.S. Crowcroft of St. Helier
 Connétable K. Shenton-Stone of St. Martin
 Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat of St. Helier
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida of St. Lawrence

In attendance -

K. Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only.

‘Draft
 Amendment
 (No. 52) of the
 Standing
 Orders of the
 States of
 Jersey’ -
 approval for
 lodging

A1. The Committee received ‘Draft Amendment (No. 52) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey’ which had been prepared following States Assembly approval 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 Committee noted that the Third Amendment had 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 was 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 was required, 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.

In that regard, the Committee’s amendment would therefore reduce the minimum lodging period for the Government Plan from the current 12 weeks to 10 weeks. The Committee approved the draft amendment and instructed the Principal Committee and Panel Officer to make the necessary arrangements for it to be lodged ‘*au Greffe*’ as soon as practicable.