

THE STATES assembled on Monday 19th March 2018, at 2.45 p.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir William James Bailhache.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Air Chief Marshall Sir Stephen Dalton, G.C.B., LL.D. (Hon.), D.Sc. (Hon.), B.Sc., F.R.Ae.S., C.C.M.I. was present.

All members were present at roll call with the exception of –

Connétable Sadie Anthea Le Sueur-Rennard of St. Saviour – excused attendance (arrived in the Chamber at 3.07 p.m.)

Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier – en défaut (défaut raised at 3.29 p.m.)

Deputy Montfort Tadier of St. Brelade – excused attendance

Deputy Roderick Gordon Bryans of St. Helier - ill

Deputy Louise Mary Catherine Doublet of St. Saviour - ill

Prayers

Subordinate enactments tabled

The following enactments were tabled, namely –

Excise Duty (Relief and Drawback) (Amendment No. 7) (Jersey) Order 2018. R&O.22/2018. *Minister for Treasury and Resources*.

EU Legislation (Sanctions – Belarus) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2018. R&O.23/2018. *Minister for External Relations.*

Documents presented

Draft Criminal Procedure (Jersey) Law 201- (P.118/2017): further comments.

Presented: 16th March 2018.

Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel.

P.118/2017.

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Draft Criminal Procedure (Jersey) Law 201- (P.118/2017): amendment P.118/2017. (P.118/2017 Amd.) – comments. Amd.Com.

Presented: 19th March 2018. *Minister for Home Affairs*.

Draft Machinery of Government (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Law 201-(P.1/2018): further comments. P.1/2018.

Presented: 19th March 2018. *Chairmen's Committee*.

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Draft Sexual Offences (Jersey) Law 201- (P.18/2018): comments.

Presented: 16th March 2018.

Com.

Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel.

Draft Sexual Offences (Jersey) Law 201- (P.18/2018): amendment P.18/2018. (P.18/2018 Amd.) – comments. Amd.Com. Presented: 19th March 2018. Minister for Home Affairs. Draft Sexual Offences (Jersey) Law 201- (P.18/2018): third amendment P.18/2018. (P.18/2018 Amd.(3)) – comments. Amd.(3). Presented: 19th March 2018. Com. Minister for Home Affairs. Draft Discrimination (Disability) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.20/2018): comments. P.20/2018. Presented: 16th March 2018. Com. Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel. Public Services Ombudsman: establishment of office (P.32/2018) – comments. P.32/2018. Presented: 19th March 2018. Com. Privileges and Procedures Committee. Committee of Inquiry: actions taken by the R.N.L.I. and the Jersey Government which P.36/2018. led to the removal of the All Weather Lifeboat (P.36/2018) – addendum. Add. Presented: 14th March 2018. (re-issue) Senator S.C. Ferguson. Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – R.23/2018. (a) 28–30 The Parade, St. Helier – lease; (b) Clubhouse forming part of the Jersey Croquet Club, Les Quennevais Sports Centre, Les Quennevais, St. Brelade, JE3 8LZ – lease. Presented: 8th March 2018. Minister for Infrastructure. Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civil Partnerships: Annual Statement R.24/2018. Presented: 8th March 2018. Minister for Home Affairs. Living Today: Thinking Ahead – Part 2 Consultation results. R.25/2018. Presented: 15th March 2018. Minister for Social Security. Jersey Teachers' Superannuation Fund (JTSF): Actuarial Valuation as at R.26/2018. 31st December 2016. Presented: 16th March 2018. Chief Minister. Public Employees' Pension Fund: Actuarial Valuation as at 31st December 2016. R.27/2018. Presented: 16th March 2018. Chief Minister. Director of Civil Aviation: Annual Report 2017. R.28/2018. Presented: 16th March 2018. Minister for External Relations. Breakdown of Relationships within the Jersey Search and Rescue Community: R.29/2018. Independent Report.

Presented: 19th March 2018.

Council of Ministers.

Commissioner for Standards: Investigation of Complaint of breach of the Code of

Conduct for Elected Members by Senator S.C. Ferguson.

Presented: 19th March 2018.

Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Residential Property Transactions. S.R.2/2018.

Presented: 19th March 2018.

Chairmen's Committee.

Marriage and Civil Status (Jersey) Law (S.R.1/2018): response of the Chief Minister.

S.R.1/2018.

R.30/2018.

Presented: 13th March 2018.

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Chief Minister.

Review of eGov – Follow-Up Report.

P.A.C.1/2018.

Presented: 14th March 2018. Public Accounts Committee.

Reporting of Abortive Costs.

P.A.C.2/2018.

Presented: 19th March 2018. Public Accounts Committee.

Notification of lodged propositions

Draft Machinery of Government (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Law 201-(P.1/2018): second amendment (P.1/2018 Amd.(2)) – amendment. Amd.(2).

Lodged: 13th March 2018.

Amd.

Chairmen's Committee.

Draft Discrimination (Disability) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.20/2018): amendment. P.20/2018.

Lodged: 19th March 2018.

Amd.

Minister for Social Security.

Public Services Ombudsman: establishment of office (P.32/2018) – amendment. P.32/2018.

Lodged: 19th March 2018.

Amd.

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf.

Retail tax: rescindment of States' decision. P.62/2018.

Lodged: 12th March 2018. Senator P.F.C. Ozouf.

Draft Financial Services Commission (Amendment No. 7) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.63/2018.

Lodged: 13th March 2018.

Chief Minister.

Draft Proceeds of Crime (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.64/2018.

Lodged: 13th March 2018.

Chief Minister.

Draft Capacity and Self-Determination (Jersey) Law 2016 (Appointed Day) Act 201-. P.65/2018.

Lodged: 13th March 2018.

Minister for Health and Social Services.

Draft Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016 (Appointed Day) Act 201-.

P.66/2018.

Lodged: 13th March 2018.

Minister for Health and Social Services.

Jersey Consumer Council: appointment of Chairman.

P.67/2018.

Lodged: 13th March 2018.

Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.

La Route de St. Aubin: installation of Pedestrian Crossings and reduction of speed

P.68/2018.

limit.

Lodged: 14th March 2018.

Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier.

Draft Public Employees (Contributory Retirement Scheme) (General) (Amendment

P.69/2018.

No. 12) (Jersey) Regulations 201-.

Lodged: 14th March 2018. *Chief Minister*.

Migration Policy.

P.70/2018.

Lodged: 15th March 2018. *Council of Ministers*.

Withdrawal of lodged propositions

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the proposers of the following propositions lodged "au Greffe" had informed the Greffier of the States that they had been withdrawn –

Jersey Lifeboat Service: establishment of an independent lifeboat station – petition.

P.7/2018.

Lodged: 16th January 2018.

Senator S.C. Ferguson.

Banning the sale, importation and use of products containing glyphosate: petition.

P.35/2018.

Lodged: 20th February 2018.

Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour.

Written Questions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

WQ.56/2018

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Senator P.F.C. Ozouf regarding estimated and actual Income Tax receipts.

WQ.59/2018

2. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier regarding operational subsidies paid to Serco.

WQ.60/2018

3. The Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour regarding access by the Chief Executive to Morier House.

WO.61/2018

4. The Minister for External Relations tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour regarding the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women.

WQ.62/2018 5. The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables tabled an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. Ouen regarding the number of people transferred onto the Organ Donor Register.

- WQ.63/2018 6. The Minister for Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the tenancy agreement used by Andium Homes.
- WQ.64/2018 7. The Minister for Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the forecast rental income and operating surplus of Andium Homes.
- WQ.65/2018 8. The Minister for Education tabled an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. John regarding the Department's work in respect of nursery education funding.
- WQ.66/2018 9. The Minister for Education tabled an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. John regarding the Department's role in delivering the Food and Nutrition Strategy.
- WQ.67/2018 10. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. John regarding the provision of a new skate park.
- WQ.68/2018 11. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. John regarding a review of the Employment (Jersey) Law 2003.

Oral Ouestions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

- OQ.46/2018
 1. Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour asked a question of the Chairman of the States Employment Board regarding the investigation of actions of civil servants involved in the Jersey Innovation Fund.
- OQ.47/2018 2. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier asked a question of the Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture regarding the agreement in respect of the swimming pool on the Waterfront.
- OQ.53/2018 3. The Deputy of St. Ouen asked a question of the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables regarding people's registration as organ donors when completing a driving licence application.
- OQ.55/2018 4. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier asked a question of the Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture regarding plans to re-launch the Jersey Aircraft Registry.
- OQ.57/2018 5. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding formal consultation undertaken with staff in relation to whether the new hospital should be built on the Parade site.
- OQ.49/2018 6. Senator S.C. Ferguson asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the appropriateness of Search and Rescue services being provided for commercial purposes outside the sea areas for which they were intended to be available.
- OQ.54/2018 7. The Connétable of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for the Environment regarding the feasibility of improved public access to the reclaimed land at La Collette.
- OQ.51/2018 8. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Housing regarding the use of Direct Debit payment guarantees in the tenancy agreements of Andium Homes.
- OQ.48/2018 9. Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour asked a question of the Assistant Minister for Education regarding the hourly rate paid from the Nursery Education Fund.

OQ.52/2018 10. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the arrangements for the payment to victims of abuse of compensation arising from the findings of the Independent Jersey Care Inquiry.

OQ.58/2018 11. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Home Affairs regarding the creation of an independent police complaints authority.

OQ.50/2018 12. Senator S.C. Ferguson asked a question of the Assistant Minister for Home Affairs regarding the offer of an inshore boat to the Fire and Rescue Service by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

OQ.56/2018 13. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Housing regarding the average waiting time for Islanders on the Housing Gateway to be housed in a 1-bedroom property.

Oral Questions without notice

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for External Relations answered questions without notice from members.

The Chief Minister answered questions without notice from members.

Statements on a matter of official responsibility

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee made a statement regarding the Committee's report entitled 'Reporting of Abortive Costs' (P.A.C.2/2018).

The Chairman of the Residential Property Transactions Review Panel made a statement regarding the Scrutiny Report entitled 'Residential Property Transactions' (S.R.2/2018).

Arrangement of public business for the present meeting

THE STATES, adopting the proposition of Senator Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf, agreed in accordance with Standing Order 26(7), to reduce the minimum lodging period in respect of his amendment (P.32/2018 Amd.) to his own proposition entitled 'Public Services Ombudsman: establishment of office' (P.32/2018), in order that it might be debated at the present meeting.

Adjournment

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Tuesday 20th March 2018 to consider the items of public business listed for the present meeting.

THE STATES rose at 5.17 p.m.

DR. M. EGAN

Greffier of the States