

THE STATES assembled on Wednesday 5th December 2018, at 09.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir William James Bailhache.

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

Senator Sarah Craig Ferguson – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.32 a.m.) Connétable Christopher Hugh Taylor of St. John – excused attendance (arrived in the Chamber at 11.24 a.m.) Connétable Philip Bond Le Sueur of Trinity – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.32 a.m.) Connétable John Michael Le Bailly of St. Mary – en défaut (défaut raised at 10.32 a.m.) Deputy Russell Labey of St. Helier – en défaut

Prayers

Documents presented

Draft Sanctions and Asset-Freezing (Jersey) Law 201- (P.119/2018): comments. Presented: 5th December 2018. <i>Chairmen's Committee.</i>	P.119/2018. Com.
Draft EU Legislation (Customs Union, Import and Export Control) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.120/2018): comments. Presented: 5th December 2018. <i>Chairmen's Committee</i> .	P.120/2018. Com.
States of Jersey Complaints Board: findings – complaint by Mr. B. Huda against the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding an unresolved complaint and allegations of racism.	R.148/2018.

Presented: 5th December 2018. *Privileges and Procedures Committee.*

Withdrawal of lodged propositions

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the proposer of the following proposition lodged "au Greffe" had informed the Greffier of the States that it had been withdrawn –

Draft Budget Statement 2019 (P.114/2018): fifth amendment.	P.114/2018.
Lodged: 20th November 2018.	Amd.(5)
Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.	

Draft Budget Statement 2019 P.114/2018

THE STATES, commencing consideration of a proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources entitled 'Draft Budget Statement 2019' (P.114/2018), adopted an amendment of the Minister for Treasury and Resources (P.114/2018 Amd.(4)) that, after the words "as set out in the Budget Statement", there should be inserted the words ", except that the estimate of income from taxation during 2019 shall be reduced by £100,000 by commencing the targeted income tax reliefs for non-residents individuals (as outlined on pages 23–27 of the Draft Budget Statement 2019) from the 2018 year of assessment (rather than the 2019 year of assessment as originally proposed)".

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, as amended, rejected an amendment of the Connétable of St. Helier (P.114/2018 Amd.(3)) that, after the words "as set out in the Budget statement", there should be inserted the words ", except that the estimate of income should be reduced by \pounds 3,000,000 by reducing the rate of Income Tax on Large Corporate Retailers to 10%".

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 21	CONTRE: 25	ABSTAIN: 0
Senator L.J. Farnham Senator K.L. Moore Senator S.W. Pallett Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of St. Saviour Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Mary Connétable of St. Mary Connétable of St. Martin Deputy J.A. Martin (H) Deputy of St. Martin Deputy of St. Mary Deputy G.J. Truscott (B) Deputy G.J. Truscott (B) Deputy of St. Peter Deputy of St. John Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H) Deputy S.M. Ahier (H) Deputy J.H. Perchard (S) Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)	Senator I.J. Gorst Senator S.C. Ferguson Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré Senator T.A. Vallois Senator S.Y. Mézec Connétable of St. Lawrence Connétable of St. Lawrence Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. Ouen Deputy G.P. Southern (H) Deputy of Grouville Deputy M.C. Lewis (S) Deputy M.R. Higgins (H) Deputy J.M. Maçon (S) Deputy S.J. Pinel (C) Deputy S.J. Pinel (C) Deputy J.H. Young (B) Deputy J.H. Young (B) Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L) Deputy R.J. Ward (H)	
	Deputy C.S. Alves (H)	

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, as amended, rejected an amendment of Deputy Scott Michael Wickenden of St. Helier (P.114/2018 Amd.(6)) that, at the end of paragraph (a), there should be inserted the words ", except that impôt levels for (i) spirits, (ii) wine, (iii) cider, and (iv) beer are unchanged, reducing estimated income by £743,000".

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 17	CONTRE: 28	ABSTAIN: 0
Connétable of St. Helier	Senator I.J. Gorst	
Connétable of St. Saviour	Senator L.J. Farnham	
Connétable of St. John	Senator S.C. Ferguson	
Connétable of Trinity	Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré	
Connétable of St. Mary	Senator T.A. Vallois	
Connétable of St. Martin	Senator K.L. Moore	
Deputy of Grouville	Senator S.W. Pallett	
Deputy M. Tadier (B)	Senator S.Y. Mézec	
Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)	Connétable of St. Lawrence	
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)	Connétable of St. Brelade	
Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)	Connétable of Grouville	

Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. Ouen Deputy J.A. Martin (H) Deputy G.P. Southern (H) Deputy K.C. Lewis (S) Deputy S.J. Pinel (C) Deputy of St. Ouen Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S) Deputy of St. Mary Deputy J.H. Young (B) Deputy K.F. Morel (L) Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L) Deputy of St. Peter Deputy of Trinity Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H) Deputy J.H. Perchard (S) Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of Senator Samuel Yves Mézec (P.114/2018 Amd.(2)) that, after paragraph (e), there should be inserted the following new paragraph –

"(f) to agree in principle that from year of assessment 2020 the 20% personal income tax rate should no longer be available (except for HVRs, for whom no change is proposed), and personal income tax should instead be charged at a rate of 25% (with all personal income taxpayers being entitled to the allowances/reliefs which are available to marginal rate taxpayers when calculating the amount of income taxable at the rate of 25%), and to direct the Minister for Treasury and Resources to bring forward the necessary legislative changes for debate by the Assembly during 2019."

Changes in Presidency

The Bailiff retired from the Chamber during consideration of the amendment of the Connétable of St. Helier (P.114/2018 Amd.(3)), and the meeting continued under the Presidency of Mrs. Lisa-Marie Hart, Deputy Greffier of the States. The meeting resumed following the lunch adjournment under the Presidency of the Bailiff. The Bailiff subsequently retired from the Chamber during consideration of the amendment of Deputy Scott Michael Wickenden of St. Helier (P.114/2018 Amd.(6)) and the meeting continued under the Presidency of Mrs. Lisa-Marie Hart, Deputy Greffier of the States. The Bailiff returned to the Chamber during consideration of the amendment of Deputy Scott Michael Wickenden of St. Helier (P.114/2018 Amd.(6)) and the meeting continued under the Presidency of Mrs. Lisa-Marie Hart, Deputy Greffier of the States. The Bailiff returned to the Chamber during consideration of the same amendment and the meeting continued under his Presidency.

Adjournment

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Thursday 6th December 2018 to continue consideration of the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources entitled 'Draft Budget Statement 2019' (P.114/2018), and associated amendments, and the other outstanding items of public business.

THE STATES rose at 5.30 p.m.

L.-M. HART

Deputy Greffier of the States