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ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN 2008 (P.93/2007): ELEVENTH AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 14th September 2007 by the Chief Minister

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In paragraph (a)(i), after the words" pages 11 to 13 of the Annex" insert the words –

"except that in Objective 7, after Performance/success criteria (v), insert the following new Performance/success criteria –

(vi) Need for an independent person or agency to receive approaches from persons raising serious concerns to be assessed.".

CHIEF MINISTER

NOTE

This amendment has been lodged by the Chief Minister less than 14 days before the start of the debate ir accordance with the provisions of Article 11(5) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005. Paragraphs (4) and (5) of Article 11 are in the following terms-

- (4) A draft annual business plan is not capable of being amended during a debate in the States on the draft except in accordance with an amendment lodged at least 14 days before the start of the debate.
- (5) Paragraph (4) does not apply to an amendment moved by the Chief Minister if the States agree that the amendment may be debated forthwith or at a time approved by the States.

In accordance with the provisions of paragraph (5) the Chief Minister will seek the agreement of the States to debate this amendment during the debate on the Annual Business Plan 2008.

REPORT

This amendment mirrors and replaces the Eighth Amendment proposed by the Deputy of St. Saviour.

The Council accepts the principle of the amendment and agrees that an independent arrangement for persons raising serious concerns should benefit the whole States. In order for a proper assessment to be made, the feasibility study should therefore be undertaken under the auspices of the Chief Minister's Department to ensure that any resulting process can be used appropriately States-wide.

Accordingly, this amendment seeks to transfer the responsibility for delivering arrangements for an independent assessment of persons raising serious concerns to the Chief Minister.