STATES OF JERSEY



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Lodged au Greffe on 27th May 2009 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee

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REPORT

This very minor amendment to Standing Orders gives formal effect to the decision of the States on 30th April 2009, when members adopted the proposition of the Deputy of St. Martin (P.40/2009) and agreed that the period for oral questions with notice should be extended from 90 minutes to 2 hours.

The reference to 90 minutes appears in 4 separate places in Standing Orders and these amendments change those references to 2 hours. There are no financial or manpower implications.

As indicated during the debate, the Privileges and Procedures Committee intends to consider separately the issue of how any oral questions without notice that still remain unanswered after the 2 hour period should be dealt with, and whether the current provision in Standing Order 63(9) that such questions are 'taken to have been withdrawn' should be amended.

Explanatory Note

The object of this amendment is to reflect a change from 90 minutes to 120 minutes in the time allowed at a States meeting for oral answers to questions with notice.



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Made[date to be inserted]Coming into force[date to be inserted]

THE STATES, in pursuance of Article 48 of the States of Jersey Law 2005¹, have made the following amendments to Standing Orders –

1 Interpretation

In these amendments, a reference by number to a standing order is a reference to a standing order of that number in the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey².

2 Standing order 13 amended

In standing order 13(1) for the words "90 minutes" there shall be substituted the words "2 hours".

3 Standing order 14 amended

In standing order 14(1) for the words "90 minutes" there shall be substituted the words "2 hours".

4 Standing order 63 amended

In standing order 63 –

- (a) in paragraph (1) for the words "90 minutes" there shall be substituted the words "2 hours";
- (b) in paragraph (9) for the words "90 minutes" there shall be substituted the words "2 hours".

5 Citation and commencement

These amendments may be cited as Amendment (No. 11) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey and shall come into force on the seventh day after they are made.

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