

STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT STATES OF JERSEY (AMENDMENT No. 9) LAW 201- (P.18/2017) – AMENDMENT

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PAGE 12, ARTICLE 4 –

For the table substituted by Article 4, substitute the following –

<i>“Constituencies</i>	<i>Number of Deputies to be returned</i>
District 1: St. Helier North Vingtaine du Mont Cochon Vingtaine du Mont à l’Abbé Vingtaine du Haut du Mont au Prêtre, and Vingtaine du Rouge Bouillon, in the Parish of St. Helier	6
District 2: St. Helier South Cantons de Bas et de Haut de la Vingtaine de la Ville, and Vingtaine de Bas du Mont au Prêtre, in the Parish of St. Helier	6
District 3: South-East District Parish of Grouville Parish of St. Martin, and Parish of St. Clement	4
District 4: North District Parish of St. Saviour, and Parish of Trinity	4
District 5: West District Parish of St. John, Parish of St. Lawrence, Parish of St. Mary, and Parish of St. Ouen	4
District 6: South District Parish of St. Brelade, and Parish of St. Peter	4”.

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REPORT

I would like this amendment considered in the light of the fact that the proposition for a referendum on the proposed revisions to the States of Jersey Law 2005 was defeated. Although the reasons for not having a referendum were laudable due to the time constraints, one particular aspect of the changes, that being changes to constituency boundaries, has not been consulted on. All other changes have been consulted on, i.e. the Public have been asked whether they wish to retain Senators and Connétables, and were also asked about the creation of larger constituencies. The boundaries were clearly communicated and accepted by the Public in the referendum in 2013. To now change these boundaries without further consultation would be fundamentally wrong. Furthermore, the issue of voter equity, which the Public confirmed was important to them, is eroded in the version of the boundaries under the proposed new table in Schedule 1 as substituted by [P.18/2017](#).

Financial and manpower implications

There are no additional financial or manpower implications for the States arising from this proposed amendment.