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**3.5 Deputy D.J. Warr of the Minister for Housing regarding the Improved Residential Tenancies in Jersey: Residential Tenancy Law Reform Proposal – Findings Report (OQ.79/2024)**

Will the Minister explain why the *Improving Residential Tenancies in Jersey: Residential Tenancy Law Reform Proposal - Findings Report* was released in full in April, despite the Minister asserting in the Assembly on 7th February that it would be “reframed” and the reasons behind the delay in publication since this “reframing” did not occur?

**Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South (The Minister for Housing):**

The reframing did occur.

**3.5.1 Deputy D.J. Warr:**

In the recently published Findings document, it says: “The draft law will be published for further consultation.” In the Scrutiny hearing, the Minister suggested that this would now not be the case. Why does the Minister believe that relying on anecdotes, opinion and *ad hoc* meetings that evades both scrutiny and the Scrutiny Panel is better than gathering hard evidence and data in a transparent way to ensure that we get a Residential Tenancy Law that works for all?

**Deputy S.Y. Mézec:**

For the second time in a matter of seconds, the Deputy has stated a falsehood about statements that I have made. That is not an accurate reflection of what I said in that Scrutiny hearing.