

**THE STATES assembled on Thursday,  
9th December 2004, at 9.30 a.m. under  
the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff,  
Michael Cameron St. John Birt, Esquire.**

All members were present with the exception of –

John Baudains Germain, Connétable of St. Martin– défaut  
Jeremy Laurence Dorey, Deputy of St. Helier– ill  
Lyndon John Farnham, Deputy of St. Saviour– out of the Island  
Roy George Le Hérisssier, Deputy of St. Saviour– out of the Island.

Prayers

**Budget 2005  
Amendments and Comments**

THE STATES allowed the Treasurer of the States to be present in the Chamber during the consideration of the Budget.

THE STATES resumed consideration of the Budget 2005, and commenced consideration of the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the Health and Social Services Committee and of an amendment of the Connétable of St. Helier, (P.223/2004– Budget 2005: ninth amendment), that on page 37 of the Budget, in the estimates of revenue expenditure of the Health and Social Services Committee, the estimate for ‘Grants and Subsidies’ be increased by £79,000 from £7,359,700 to £7,438,700 in order to increase the amount of grant to Family Nursing and Home Care (Jersey) Inc. by reducing the estimate for Administration Costs from £4,166,400 to £4,087,400.

THE STATES, following discussion, granted leave to the Connétable of St. Helier to withdraw the amendment.

THE STATES, having further considered the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the Health and Social Services Committee, decided to allow the said estimates as detailed in the undermentioned pages of the Budget as follows –

Health and Social Services Committee – pages 34 to 38

THE STATES, having considered the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the following Committees, decided to allow the said estimates as detailed in the undermentioned pages of the Budget as follows –

Overseas Aid – page 58  
Education, Sport and Culture Committee – pages 39 to 44  
Home Affairs Committee – pages 45 to 50

Deputy Jennifer-Anne Bridge of St. Helier declared an interest and withdrew from the Chamber prior to the consideration of the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the Overseas Aid Committee.

THE STATES commenced consideration of the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the Employment and Social Security Committee and rejected an amendment of Senator Michael Edward Vibert that on page 52 of the Budget the estimate of revenue expenditure of the Employment and Social Security Committee be increased from £82,727,100 to £83,248,100 by adding £521,000 to enable the provision of free television licences for those aged 75 and over living in domestic accommodation.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 20**

Senator J.A. Le Maistre  
Senator S. Syvret  
Senator F.H. Walker  
Senator W. Kinnard  
Senator T.A. Le Sueur  
Senator P.V.F. Le Claire  
Senator P.F. Routier  
Senator M.E. Vibert  
Connétable of St. Brelade  
Connétable of St. Mary  
Connétable of St. Clement  
Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)  
Deputy A. Breckon (S)  
Deputy P.N. Troy (B)  
Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)  
Deputy J.B. Fox (H)  
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)  
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)  
Deputy of Grouville  
Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

**CONTRE: 24**

Senator L. Norman  
Senator E.P. Vibert  
Connétable of St. Ouen  
Connétable of St. Peter  
Connétable of St, Helier  
Connétable of Trinity  
Connétable of St. Lawrence  
Connétable of St. John  
Deputy of Trinity  
Deputy J.J. Huet (H)  
Deputy of St. Martin  
Deputy T.J. Le Main (H)  
Deputy M.F. Dubras (L)  
Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C)  
Deputy F.G. Voisin (L)  
Deputy J-A. Bridge (H)  
Deputy J.A. Bernstein (B)  
Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)  
Deputy of St. Mary  
Deputy of St. Ouen  
Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H)  
Deputy M.A. Taylor (C)  
Deputy of St. Peter  
Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)

**ABSTAIN: 1**

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf

Senator Richard Joseph Shenton declared an interest and withdrew from the Chamber prior to the consideration of the amendment of Senator Michael Edward Vibert concerning the estimates of income and expenditure of the Employment and Social Security Committee.

THE STATES granted leave to Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier to withdraw his amendments (P.208/2004 lodged “au Greffe” on 23rd November 2004), that on page 52 of the Budget the estimate of revenue expenditure of the Employment and Social Security Committee be increased from £87,727,100 to £88,327,100 by adding £600,000 to enable the expansion of the Child Care Allowance Scheme by lifting the restriction that applicants must be in work, and that on page 2 of the Budget the estimate of income from Indirect Taxation be increased in order to fund the provision of the expansion of the Child Care Allowance Scheme, by adding the following amount to the Impôts –

£600,000 to Impôts on tobacco, so that the income rises from £14,595,000 to £15,195,000.

THE STATES, having further considered the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the Employment and Social Security Committee, decided to allow the said estimates as detailed in the undermentioned pages of the Budget as follows –

Employment and Social Security Committee – pages 51 to 53

THE STATES, having considered the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the following Committee, decided to allow the said estimates as detailed in the undermentioned pages of the Budget as follows –

Housing Committee – pages 54 to 57

### **Change in Presidency**

The Bailiff retired from the Chair during consideration of the estimates of revenue expenditure and income of the Housing Committee, and the meeting continued under the Presidency of Mr. Michael Nelson de la Haye, Greffier of the States.

### **Adjournment**

THE STATES then adjourned, having agreed that outstanding matters in the Budget and other items of public business should stand over until Friday 10th December 2004.

THE STATES rose at 6.05 p.m.

**M.N. DE LA HAYE**

*Greffier of the States.*