# THE STATES assembled on Wednesday 25th March 2009, at 09.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff, Michael Cameron St. John Birt Esquire.

All members were present at roll call with the exception of –

Senator Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf – en défaut Senator Sarah Craig Ferguson – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.53 a.m.) Deputy Deborah Jane de Sousa of St. Helier – excused attendance

**Prayers** 

## Notification of lodged proposition

Williamson Report: Implementation Plan – funding (P.17/2009) – amendment.

Lodged: 25th March 2009.

Amd.

Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier

# Payment of Statutory Notice payments: establishment of precedent P.34/2009

THE STATES, having resumed consideration of a proposition of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier, as amended, concerning the establishment of a precedent for the payment of statutory notice, agreed to refer to their Act dated 4th February 2009 in which they agreed to request the Minister for Treasury and Resources to enter into negotiations with former employees of the Jersey branch of Woolworths made redundant following the collapse of the parent company, to seek agreement with them on the assignment to the States of any claims that they might have on the administrators of the company and, providing that these negotiations were successful, to further request the Minister to allocate a sum calculated under the statutory notice terms in the Employment (Jersey) Law 2003 to provide compensation to these employees, and to request the Minister for Social Security –

- (a) to recognise that the above decision of 4th February 2009 constituted a precedent which must be followed in similar cases of redundancy through insolvency in Jersey;
- (b) to establish an easily accessible and well-publicised system within the Social Security Department to deliver payments on a similar basis to all Jersey workers made redundant by insolvency from 4th February 2009, and to maintain this system of payments until an Insolvency Scheme was in place; and
- (c) to liaise with the Minister for Treasury and Resources to agree the most appropriate manner in which to fund the scheme set out above.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 31 CONTRE: 20 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator S. Syvret
Senator T.A. Le Sueur
Senator B.E. Shenton
Senator F.E. Cohen
Senator J.L. Perchard
Senator A. Breckon
Connétable of St. Helier
Senator P.F. Routier
Senator T.J. Le Main
Senator S.C. Ferguson
Senator A.J.D. Maclean
Senator B.I. Le Marquand
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of Trinity

Connétable of St. Saviour Connétable of St. Lawrence Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S) Deputy of St. Martin Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S)

Deputy J.B. Fox (H)
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

Deputy G.P. Southern (H)

Deputy of St. Ouen
Deputy of Grouville
Deputy of St. Peter
Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire (H)

Deputy of Trinity Deputy S. Pitman (H) Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)

Deputy I.J. Gorst (C) Deputy of St. John

Deputy M. Tadier (B) Deputy of St. Mary

Deputy T.M. Pitman (H) Deputy T.A. Vallois (S)

Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)

Deputy A.K.F. Green (H)

Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Martin Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. Mary Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré

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Deputy S.S.P.A. Power (B)
Deputy A.E. Jeune (B)
Deputy A.T. Dupré (C)
Deputy E.J. Noel (L)
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)

## Withdrawal of a paragraph – P.24/2009

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the Connétable of St. Peterhad informed the Greffier of the States that paragraph (b) of his proposition entitled 'States Members' remuneration for 2009' (P.24/2009 lodged 'au Greffe on 19th February 2009) had been withdrawn.

#### Arrangement of business for the present meeting

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Connétable of St. Clement, agreed to defer consideration of the proposition of the Connétable of St. Peter entitled 'States Members' remuneration for 2009' (P.24/2009) until their meeting of 30th June 2009.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 37 CONTRE: 12 ABSTAIN: 0

Senator S. Syvret Connétable of St. Peter Senator T.A. Le Sueur Deputy of St. Martin Senator P.F. Routier Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier

(S)
Senator T.J. Le Main
Senator B.E. Shenton

(S)
Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)
Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire (H)

Senator F.E. Cohen
Senator A. Breckon
Senator S.C. Ferguson
Senator A.J.D. Maclean
Senator B.I. Le Marquand
Connétable of St. Ouen
Deputy of Trinity
Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Deputy of St. John
Deputy M. Tadier (B)
Deputy of St. Mary
Deputy E.J. Noel (L)

Connétable of St. Helier

Connétable of Trinity

Connétable of Grouville

Connétable of St. Brelade

Connétable of St. Martin

Connétable of St. John

Connétable of St. Saviour

Connétable of St. Clement

Connétable of St. Lawrence

Connétable of St. Mary

Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)

Deputy J.B. Fox (H)

Deputy J.A. Martin (H)

Deputy G.P. Southern (H)

Deputy of St. Ouen

Deputy of Grouville

Deputy of St. Peter

Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)

Deputy S.S.P.A. Power (B)

Deputy S. Pitman (H)

Deputy I.J. Gorst (C)

Deputy A.E. Jeune (B)

Deputy T.M. Pitman (H)

Deputy A.T. Dupré (C)

Deputy T.A. Vallois (S)

Deputy A.K.F. Green (H)

Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)

#### Arrangement of public business for future meetings

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of Senator Stuart Syvret, agreed to defer consideration of the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources entitled 'Williamson Report: Implementation Plan funding' (P.17/2009 lodged 'au Greffe' on 4th February 2009) until their meeting of 30th June 2009.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 37** CONTRE: 13 **ABSTAIN: 0** 

Senator S. Syvret Senator B.E. Shenton Senator F.E. Cohen Senator A. Breckon Senator S.C. Ferguson Senator A.J.D. Maclean Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of Trinity Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. Saviour Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of St. Peter

Connétable of St. Mary

Deputy of St. Martin

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S) Deputy G.P. Southern (H)

Senator T.J. Le Main Senator B.I. Le Marquand Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. Martin Connétable of St. Lawrence Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S) Deputy J.B. Fox (H) Deputy J.A. Martin (H) Deputy of St. Ouen

Senator T.A. Le Sueur

Senator P.F. Routier

Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)

Deputy E.J. Noel (L)

Deputy of Grouville

Deputy of St. Peter

Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)

Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire (H)

Deputy of Trinity

Deputy S.S.P.A. Power (B)

Deputy S. Pitman (H)

Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)

Deputy I.J. Gorst (C)

Deputy of St. John

Deputy M. Tadier (B)

Deputy A.E. Jeune (B)

Deputy of St. Mary

Deputy T.M. Pitman (H)

Deputy A.T. Dupré (C)

Deputy T.A. Vallois (S)

Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)

Deputy A.K.F. Green (H)

Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)

THE STATES agreed the following arrangement of public business for future meetings proposed, as amended, by the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 88 (3) –

#### 31st March 2009

Ministerial government: review.	P.181/2008.
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Lodged: 10th December 2008.

Deputy of St. John

Ministerial government: review (P.181/2008) – comments.	P.181/2008.
Presented: 23rd March 2009.	Com.

Council of Ministers.

Ministerial government: review (P.181/2008) – comments.	P.181/2008.
Presented: 24th March 2009.	Com.(2)

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Royal Court (Amendment No. 12) (Jersey) Law 200-. P.19/2009.

Lodged: 9th February 2009.

Chief Minister.

Goods and Services Tax: exemption or zero-rating for foodstuffs and domestic energy. P.28/2009.

Lodged: 24th February 2009.

Deputy of Grouville.

Goods and Services Tax: exemption or zero-rating for foodstuffs and domestic energy (P.28/2009) – amendment.

P.28/2009.

Amd.

Lodged: 24th March 2009.

Deputy A.K.F. Green of St. Helier.

Draft Employment (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Law 200-. P.27/2009.

Lodged: 24th February 2009.

Minister for Social Security.

Draft Employment (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Law 200- (P.27/2009): comments. Presented: 23rd March 2009.  Minister for Treasury and Resources.	P.27/2009. Com.
Draft Employment (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Law 200- (P.27/2009): amendment. Lodged: 18th March 2009.  Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier (Cannot be debated before 1st April 2009)	P.27/2009. Amd.
Ex gratiacompensation payment: Mr. and Mrs. R. Pinel. Lodged: 4th March 2009.  Senator B.E. Shenton.	P.29/2009.
Ex gratiacompensation payment: Mr. and Mrs. R. Pinel (P.29/2009)—comments. Presented: 23rd March 2009.  Minister for Treasury and Resources.	P.29/2009. Com.
Police Complaints and Discipline: extension to Honorary Officers conducting Parish Hall Enquiries. Lodged: 5th March 2009.  Deputy of St. Martin	P.30/2009.
28th April 2009	
Code of Practice for Scrutiny Panels and the Public Accounts Committee: amendment. Lodged: 9th March 2009. <i>Chairmen's Committee.</i>	P.31/2009.
Draft Sea Fisheries (Licensing of Fishing Boats) (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Regulations 200 Lodged: 10th March 2009. Minister for Economic Development.	P.35/2009.
Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 200. Lodged: 13th March 2009. Comité des Connétables.	P.36/2009.
Draft Health and Safety at Work (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law 200 Lodged: 17th March 2009. Minister for Social Security.	P.37/2009.
Jersey Community Relations Trust: appointment of Trustee. Lodged: 19th March 2009. Minister for Home Affairs.	P.38/2009.
Oral Questions with notice: extension to 2 hours. Lodged: 20th March 2009. Deputy of St. Martin	P.40/2009.
Electricity tariffs: Regulations under Article 22 of the Electricity (Jersey) Law 1937. Lodged: 24th March 2009. Senator A. Breckon.	P.41/2009.

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La Pouquelaye old school site: provision of youth and community facilities. Lodged: 24th December 2008. Connétable of St. Helier	P.187/2008.
Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002: rescindment of Article 39A. Lodged: 4th February 2009.  Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier	P.18/2009.
Draft Loi (200-) (Amendement No. 11) réglant la procédure criminelle. Lodged: 19th March 2009. Minister for Home Affairs.	P.39/2009.
16th June 2009	
Ann Court Site, St. Helier use for sheltered social housing for the over-55s. Lodged: 23rd December 2008.  Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier	P.184/2008. (re-issue)
Natural gas pipeline: strategic study. Lodged: 29th January 2009. Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier.	P.16/2009.
Natural gas pipeline: strategic study (P.16/2009) – comments. Presented: 10th March 2009. Minister for Treasury and Resources.	P.16/2009. Com.
30th June 2009	
Williamson Report: Implementation Plan – funding. Lodged: 4th February 2009.  Minister for Treasury and Resources.	P.17/2009.
Williamson Report: Implementation Plan – funding (P.17/2009) – amendment. Lodged: 25th March 2009. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.	P.17/2009. Amd.
States Members' remuneration for 2009. Lodged: 19th February 2009. Connétable of St. Peter.	P.24/2009.
States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): comments. Presented: 5th March 2009. Privileges and Procedures Committee.	P.24/2009. Com.
States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): amendment. Lodged: 3rd March 2009.  Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier.	P.24/2009. Amd.

THE STATES rose at 11.29 a.m.

M.N. DE LA HAYE