



**THE STATES assembled on Wednesday
13th May 2020, at 9.30 a.m. under
the Presidency of the Bailiff,
Timothy John Le Cocq, Esquire.**

**His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor,
Air Chief Marshall Sir Stephen Dalton, G.C.B., LL.D. (Hon.), D.Sc. (Hon.), B.Sc., F.R.Ae.S.,
C.C.M.I. was present.**

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

Senator Sarah Craig Ferguson – excused attendance (joined at 10.55 a.m.)

Connétable Sadie Anthea Le Sueur-Rennard of St. Saviour – excused attendance (joined at 10.12 a.m.)

Deputy Graham John Truscott of St. Brelade – excused attendance (joined at 9.51 a.m.)

Prayers

Standing Order 55A – meeting held remotely

THE STATES assembled remotely, in accordance with Standing Order 55A, as the Bailiff considered that it was not possible to convene or maintain a quorate meeting in view of a substantial risk to the health of both States Members and the public.

Written Questions

The Bailiff, in accordance with Standing Order 12(4)(b), ruled that the answer tabled on 12th May 2020 by the Chief Minister to the question asked by Senator Kristina Louise Moore (WQ.155/2020) contravened Standing Order 12(2A), and directed the Chief Minister to submit an answer that did not contravene the Standing Order.

The Bailiff, in accordance with Standing Order 12(4)(b), ruled that the answer tabled on 12th May 2020 by the Minister for Infrastructure to the question asked by Deputy Robert James Ward of St. Helier (WQ.158/2020) contravened Standing Order 12(2A), and directed the Minister to submit an answer that did not contravene the Standing Order.

The Bailiff, following the referral by Deputy Robert James Ward of St. Helier of the answer to his written question to the Chief Minister (WQ.161/2020), ruled, in accordance with Standing Order 12(4)(b), that the answer tabled on 12th May 2020 to the question did not contravene Standing Order 12(2A) and that an alternative answer was therefore not required.

The Bailiff, in accordance with Standing Order 12(4)(b), ruled that the answer tabled on 12th May 2020 by the Minister for Social Security to the question asked by Deputy Carina Soares Alves of St. Helier (WQ.168/2020) contravened Standing Order 12(2A), and directed the Minister to submit an answer that did not contravene the Standing Order.

The Bailiff, following the referral by the Deputy of St. Peter of the answer to his written question to the Minister for Children and Housing (WQ.172/2020), ruled, in accordance with Standing Order 12(4)(b),

that the answer tabled on 12th May 2020 to the question did not contravene Standing Order 12(2A) and that an alternative answer was therefore not required.

Covid-19: questions without notice to all Ministers on the response of the Government of Jersey (P.51/2020) – rescindment of paragraph (a) P.53/2020

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of Deputy Robert James Ward of St. Helier entitled ‘Covid-19: questions without notice to all Ministers on the response of the Government of Jersey (P.51/2020) – rescindment of paragraph (a) (P.53/2020), referred to their Act of 22nd April 2020, in which they had made new arrangements for Questions Without Notice to Ministers, and agreed to rescind paragraph (a) of that Act.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 35

Senator I.J. Gorst
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
 Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

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Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of St. John
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity

ABSTAIN: 0

Arrangement of public business for the present meeting

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with Standing Order 34(1), Deputy Jeremy Martin Maçon of St. Saviour had informed the Greffier of the States that his amendment (P.54/2020 Amd.) to the proposition of Deputy Russell Labey of St. Helier entitled ‘Arrangements for questions without notice to all Ministers’ (P.54/2020) had been withdrawn.

Arrangements for questions without notice to all Ministers P.54/2020

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of Deputy Russell Labey of St. Helier entitled ‘Arrangements for questions without notice to all Ministers’ (P.54/2020), referred to their Act dated 22nd April 2020, in which they had agreed that, until 1st October 2020, every scheduled meeting of the States would include a period of questions without notice during which questions might be put to any Minister about the response of the Government of Jersey to the Coronavirus crisis, and agreed to remove the requirement that such questions be about the response to the Coronavirus crisis so that questions might be put to Ministers on any subject within the official responsibility of the Government of Jersey.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 33

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
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 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
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 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
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 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
 Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

CONTRE: 15

Senator I.J. Gorst
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of St. John
 Connétable of St. Peter
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)

ABSTAIN: 0

Arrangement of public business for the present meeting

The Bailiff informed the Assembly that, following the adoption of the proposition of Deputy Russell Labey of St. Helier entitled 'Arrangements for questions without notice to all Ministers' (P.54/2020), the proposition of Deputy Montfort Tadier of St. Brelade entitled 'Period of Questions Without Notice to the Chief Minister at every scheduled Sitting' (P.57/2020) was deemed to have been withdrawn.

Draft Covid-19 (Capacity and Self-Determination) (Jersey) Regulations 202- P.58/2020

THE STATES commenced consideration of the Draft Covid-19 (Capacity and Self-Determination) (Jersey) Regulations 202- and adopted the principles.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 42

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Clement
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 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
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 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)

CONTRE: 5

Senator I.J. Gorst
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

THE STATES, having been informed that the relevant scrutiny panel had indicated that it did not wish to scrutinise the draft legislation, adopted Regulations 1 and 2.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 39

Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Grouville
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 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
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 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
 Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

CONTRE: 3

Senator K.L. Moore
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)

ABSTAIN: 1

Deputy R. Labey (H)

THE STATES made Regulations entitled the Covid-19 (Capacity and Self-Determination) (Jersey) Regulations 2020 under Article 2 of the Covid-19 (Enabling Provisions) (Jersey) Law 2020.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 40

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
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 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
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 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy J.H. Perchard (S)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
 Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

CONTRE: 3

Senator K.L. Moore
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)

ABSTAIN: 1

Deputy R. Labey (H)

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 106(1)(b), the Connétable of St. Helier and the Connétable of St. Brelade declared an interest, but remained in the Chamber for the duration of the debate on the Draft Covid-19 (Capacity and Self-Determination) (Jersey) Regulations 202-

Arrangement of public business for future meetings

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

2nd June 2020

Draft Amendment (No. 44) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey. P.12/2020.
Lodged: 14th February 2020.
Scrutiny Liaison Committee.

Draft Amendment (No. 45) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey. P.13/2020.
Lodged: 14th February 2020.
Scrutiny Liaison Committee.

Bus service: introduction of through-fares. P.19/2020.
Lodged: 12th March 2020.
Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.

Putting Jersey businesses first. P.56/2020.
Lodged: 1st May 2020.
Deputy K.F. Morel of St. Lawrence.

16th June 2020

Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. P.129/2019.
Lodged: 31st December 2019.
Minister for External Relations.

Draft Road Traffic (No. 64) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. P.10/2020.
Lodged: 3rd February 2020.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Ban on the sale of plastic bags. P.11/2020.
Lodged: 12th February 2020. (re-issue)
Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier.

Draft Air Navigation (Rules of the Air) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. P.55/2020.
Lodged: 29th April 2020.
Minister for External Relations.

Priorities for the next Island Plan
(Consideration In-Committee Debate)

8th September 2020

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.106/2019.
Lodged: 1st October 2019.
Minister for the Environment.

Minimum standards for rented dwellings: licensing regulations. S.R.1/2020.
Presented: 21st February 2020.
Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.106/2019): second amendment. P.106/2019.
Lodged: 20th February 2020. Amd.(2)
Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.106/2019): third amendment. P.106/2019.
Lodged: 12th March 2020. Amd.(3)
Minister for the Environment.

Liberation Day – thanks

The Bailiff, on behalf of all members, thanked the staff of the Bailiff’s Chambers and the States Greffe for their recent work in respect of the commemoration and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Liberation of the Island.

THE STATES rose at 3.25 p.m.

DR. M. EGAN

Greffier of the States