## **STATES OF JERSEY**



# DRAFT REGISTER OF NAMES AND ADDRESSES (JERSEY) LAW 201-(P.38/2011): SECOND AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 21st June 2011 by the Chief Minister

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- (a) number the existing text as paragraph (1);
- (b) for the definition "public authority" substitute the following definition
  - "'public authority' means any of the following -
  - (a) a Minister;
  - (b) a parish;";
- (c) after paragraph (1) insert the following paragraph
  - "(2) The States may by Regulations amend the definition 'public authority' in paragraph (1).".

**CHIEF MINISTER** 

#### **REPORT**

This amendment ensures it is clear as to which public authorities may access the Register, and gives the Assembly the ability to amend the definition of a "public authority", should it so wish.

The amendment removes the reference to "department of the States" within the definition of public authority, as this could be taken to include the non-Executive Departments, such as the Judicial Greffe, Viscount's Department, Law Officers, etc.

Instead, the amendment means that the Law will simply include a Minister and a Parish within the definition of a "public authority" and, by doing this, it includes the administration undertaken on behalf of a Minister and each Parish.

As well as being clear, this amended definition of a "public authority" is consistent with the specified uses of the Register, being to support "public administration and customer service" (in contrast to objectives around public order or the administration of justice, which are properly dealt with in other legislation, and are more commonly the functions of the non-Executive Departments).

At the same time, this amendment also enables Regulations to be brought to amend the definition of "public authority" (and indeed, the definition of "public administration and customer service" is also capable of being amended by Regulations) to enable the non-Executive departments to bring Regulations for permission to use the Register in specific circumstances.

#### Financial and manpower implications

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