STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT PUBLIC FINANCES (AMENDMENT No. 4) (JERSEY) LAW 201- (P.73/2013): SECOND AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 27th August 2013 by the Minister for Treasury and Resources

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- (a) delete the number "(1)" at the beginning of the Article;
- (b) delete paragraph (2).

MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES

REPORT

Background

The Draft Public Finances (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.73/2013) was lodged on 6th June 2013 and is scheduled for States debate on 10th September 2013. Over the past few months, the amending legislation has been subject to comprehensive review by the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, who have prepared a report and highlighted a number of issues with regard to the proposals. The Minister for Treasury and Resources is extremely grateful for the work carried out by the Panel and is therefore proposing an amendment to the draft Amendment No. 4 Law.

The amendment affects **Article 13 – Duties of Treasurer**, and proposes the deletion of the proposed legislative requirement for the Treasurer of the States to advise the Council of Ministers upon the public finances of Jersey. The Minister endorses the Panel's view that the deletion of the wording would not affect the Treasurer's existing responsibility to continue to offer independent financial advice to the Council of Ministers should she so wish.

Financial and manpower implications

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