

STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT ELECTIONS (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) (JERSEY) LAW 202- (P.56/2021): AMENDMENTS (P.56/2021 AMD.) – COMMENTS

**Presented to the States on 14th July 2021
by the Privileges and Procedures Committee**

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COMMENTS

The Privileges and Procedures Committee (PPC) makes the following comments on the amendments of the Comité des Connétables to its proposition concerning the Draft Public Elections (Miscellaneous Amendments) Law (P.56/2021) -

- 1) Amd: PPC accepts this amendment which alters the definition of "nomination day" to provide that the electoral register for an electoral district is the register in force at midday on the day before the nomination period opens.
- 2) Amd 2: PPC accepts this amendment which proposes that, in addition to meeting the costs of printing the ballot papers, the States meet "the costs incurred" which could include other costs such as the hire/use of premises as polling stations.
- 3) Amd 3: PPC accepts this amendment which proposes that the electoral administrator for a parish is the Secretary of the parish unless another employee of the parish is appointed as the electoral administrator instead.
- 4) Amd 4: Article 3 of the Loi (1804) au sujet des assemblées paroissiales provides the Deputies of the States have the right to attend, but not to vote, in the Assembly of the Parish that they represent or in which the constituency that they represent is situated. PPC accepts this amendment which will reflect that the proposed constituencies for Deputy may comprise more than one parish.

PPC welcomes all 4 of the amendments proposed by the Comité and believes that, if adopted, they will enhance the draft Law.