

**QUESTION TO BE ASKED OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY,  
29th APRIL 2003 BY SENATOR P.V.F. LE CLAIRE**

**Question**

- (a) Does the Committee intend to ask the States to reduce further the residential qualification period in Jersey and, if so, when does the Committee plan to bring the draft Regulations to the States and by how many years will it be recommending that the period is reduced?
- (b) Does the Committee possess analysis which accurately depicts how a reduction in a year by year basis on housing qualifications would impact the housing market in Jersey and, if so, would the President supply members with its up-to-date projections?

**Answer**

- (a) The Housing Committee has agreed to approve a Report and Proposition at its next meeting on the 8th May 2003, seeking the approval of the States to reduce the current 17 years required in the Regulations to 16 years.
- (b) It is not easy to accurately predict the actual effect on the Housing market of any particular reduction in this period of residence as there are many variable factors linked with the supply and demand of residential accommodation available at any particular time. However, my Committee will supply, in the Report and Proposition referred to in my answer to (a), the relevant facts and figures that are available.