

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO CHAIRMAN OF PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE  
BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 9th SEPTEMBER 2014**

**Question**

Will the Chairman of PPC produce in a tabular form information relating to the number and type of questions asked in the States Chamber by each member during the last parliamentary session (2011 to 2014) so that it shows the name of each States member, the number of oral questions with notice asked, the number of oral questions asked under questions without notice, the number of written questions asked and, in each case, to whom they were addressed.

**Answer**

This information requested is available on [www.statesassembly.gov.je](http://www.statesassembly.gov.je). It is not presented in the format that has been requested by Deputy M.R. Higgins, however it would take a considerable amount of time to classify and tabulate every written and oral question asked during the last parliamentary session, as well as every question without notice. This would be unlikely to be possible within the short amount of time available to answer the Deputy's question and is not considered to be a productive use of officer time when the officers of the States Greffe who support PPC are busy with the awareness campaign for the elections.

In addition, there is a risk the publication by the Committee of a table detailing the number and type of questions asked by each States member could be misinterpreted as a form of 'league' table and would not serve to improve the productivity or efficiency of the States.

Information on the total number of questions asked and the identity of those who have answered them is published every year in the States Assembly Annual Report.