WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES BY SENATOR S.Y. MÉZEC QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2021 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2021

Question

Further to the answer to Written Question 1/2021, in which it was stated that the number of people in Jersey earning over £1 million a year in 2012 was fewer than 12, will the Minister explain why this figure does not correspond with the information provided in the response that was published on 8th April 2015 to a Freedom of Information request (Reference 202-03-59611), in which it was which stated that the figure was 59?

Answer

The FOI response in 2015 related to a request for information relating to people's "total personal income". Written Question 1/2021 related specifically to <u>earned</u> income, which was emphasised in that answer.

In addition the FOI response considered "individual taxpayers" to include:

- Single individuals
- Married couples / civil partnerships that had not opted for separate assessments (counted as one Individual Taxpayer).

(See explanatory notes accompanying the FOI)

Written Question 1/2021 considered each individual in a marriage/civil partnership separately and only included in the data those specific individuals that had earned income greater than £1m (see first bullet of the notes to the answer tabled).