# **STATES OF JERSEY**



# TRANSFERS BETWEEN HEADS OF EXPENDITURE UNDER THE PUBLIC FINANCES (JERSEY) LAW 2019: ARTICLE 18 – 24TH MAY 2024

Presented to the States on 24th May 2024 by the Minister for Treasury and Resources

# **STATES GREFFE**

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## **REPORT**

**Decision(s):** Under Article 18(4) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 (the Law), the Minister for Treasury and Resources hereby notifies the States, and having consulted with any relevant Minister under Article 18(5) of the Law; that she has agreed to the following –

MD-TR-	Department			
Ref.	From-	To -	£	Funding of:
2024 - 385	Treasury and Exchequer (T&E) head of expenditure	Health and Community Services (HCS) revenue head of expenditure.	£135,000 and associated FTE	for the purposes of another head of expenditure that is set out in the government plan.

After the expiry of 4 weeks following the presentation to the States of these transfers, the Minister hereby authorises the Treasurer of the States to action the transfers outlined in the table above.

# **Background**

To enable the Minister to approve a recurring transfer of £135,000 and associated FTE from the Treasury and Exchequer (T&E) head of expenditure to the Health and Community Services (HCS) revenue head of expenditure.

The transfer of the Manager – Analytics and Management Information (A&MI) role and associated non-pay budget supports the continuation of work in HCS to produce person-level costing information, to provide better information to support decision-making, and ensure full-cost recovery from the Department's private patient charging, and public user-pays fees, which sits alongside their financial recovery plan.

Many of the plans in HCS supporting turnaround and transformation will require significant digital transformation, cost and activity analysis input and monitoring such as the review of fees and charges.

This transfer of resources supports a function that will:

- create a bridge between financial information and operational activity information
  to ensure cost drivers and resource consumption is evidenced and widely reported
  alongside traditional budget and activity reports.
- identify the HCS resources contributing to strategic objectives and health outcomes,

- ensure that HCS has the capacity, data access and tools required to develop and use a specialist healthcare activity and costing analytical function,
- develop a governance structure to prove the adherence of approved costing guidance, quality of in/outputs and data management processes.

## Recommendation

The Minister is recommended to approve the recurring transfer of £135,000 and associated FTE from the Treasury and Exchequer (T&E) revenue head of expenditure to the Health and Community Services (HCS) revenue head of expenditure.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

Article 18(1)(a) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 states that a specified amount appropriated for one head of expenditure may, with the approval of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, be used for the purposes of another head of expenditure that is set out in the government plan.

Article 18(4) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 states that the Minister shall give the States Assembly at least 4 weeks' notice before an amount is transferred under paragraph (1)(a).

Article 18(5) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 states that if a direction under this Article would affect a head of expenditure that relates to the responsibilities of any Minister, that Minister must be consulted before the direction is made. The Ministers for Health and Social Services and Treasury and Resources have been consulted.

To comply with P.67/1999 which charges the Minister for Treasury and Resources to regulate the number of persons that may be employed by the States.

## **Resource Implications**

The Health and Community Services Head of Expenditure to increase by £135,000 and the Treasury and Exchequer Head of Expenditure to decrease by an identical amount.

The Health and Community Services budgeted FTE to increase by the associated amount and the Treasury and Exchequer budgeted FTE to decrease by an identical amount.

This decision does not change the total amount of expenditure approved by the States in the Government Plan 2024-2027 and the transfer will be reflected in the next Government Plan 2025-2028 cash limits.