

**THE STATES assembled on Monday  
16th July 2007, at 09.30 a.m. under  
the Presidency of the Greffier of the States,  
Mr. Michael Nelson de la Haye**

All members were present at roll call with the exception of –

Senator Frank Harrison Walker – absent on States business  
 Senator Terence John Le Main– en défaut (défaut raised at 9.38 a.m.)  
 Connétable Philip Francis Ozouf of St. Saviour– ill  
 Connétable Geoffrey William Fisher of St. Lawrence– en défaut  
 Connétable Silvanus Arthur Yates of St. Martin– excused  
 Deputy Guy William John de Faye of St. Helier– en défaut (défaut raised at 9.59 a.m.)  
 Deputy Ian Joseph Gorst of St. Clement– en défaut

Prayers read by the Deputy Greffier of the States

**Senator S. Syvret – welcome back**

The Presiding Officer, on behalf of members, welcomed Senator Stuart Syvret back to the Assembly after a period of absence through ill-health.

**Subordinate enactments tabled**

The following enactments were tabled, namely –

Battle of Flowers (Jersey) Order 2007. <i>Minister for Transport and Technical Services.</i>	R&O.84/2007.
Road Racing (Hill Climbs and Sprint) (No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2007. <i>Minister for Transport and Technical Services.</i>	R&O.85/2007.
Road Traffic (Disabled Persons) (Parking) (Amendment No. 6) (Jersey) Order 2007. <i>Minister for Transport and Technical Services.</i>	R&O.86/2007.
Road Traffic (St. Helier) (Amendment No. 21) (Jersey) Order 2007. <i>Minister for Transport and Technical Services.</i>	R&O.87/2007.

**Documents presented or laid**

Composition of the States: revised structure and referendum (P.75/2007) – second amendment (P.75/2007 Amd.(2))– comments. Presented: 16th July 2007. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.75/2007. Amd. (2). Com.
Composition of the States: revised structure and referendum (P.75/2007) – third amendments (P.75/2007 Amd.(3))– comments. Presented: 16th July 2007.	P.75/2007. Amd. (3). Com.

### **Withdrawal of lodged propositions**

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the proposers of the following propositions lodged "au Greffe" had informed the Greffier of the States that they had been withdrawn –

Registration of Political Parties (P.73/2007): second amendments. P.73/2007. Amd.  
Lodged: 3rd July 2007. (2)  
*Senator F.E. Cohen.*

Draft Price and Charge Indicators (Jersey) Law 200-. P.76/2007.  
Lodged: 5th June 2007.  
*Minister for Economic Development.*

### **Written Questions**

*(see Official Report)*

The Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour regarding the Freedom of Information Law.

The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour regarding the rationale for enacting the Unlawful Public Entertainment (Jersey) Regulations 2004.

The Minister for Economic Development tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour regarding internet traders.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the absorption by retailers of the cost of GST.

The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer to a question asked by Senator B.E. Shenton regarding the lack of repatriation legislation in the Island.

The Minister for Planning and Environment tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the Castle Quay Development.

The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the tax revenue charged on profits made by Jersey's Financial Services sector.

The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the impact of income tax mortgage relief.

The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the taxation of private equity companies operating in Jersey.

The Minister for Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the sale of three-bedroom States rental housing stock.

The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the impact of GST.

The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the reduction of the voting age to 16.

### **Oral Questions**

*(see Official Report)*

THE STATES agreed that the period of questions without notice to the Chief Minister would be deferred until Tuesday 17th July 2007, as the Chief Minister was out of the Island on States business.

The Minister for Health and Social Services answered questions without notice from members.

### **Change of Presidency**

Mr. Michael Nelson de la Haye, Greffier of the States retired from the Chair during Oral Questions without notice and the meeting continued under the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff.

### **Draft Community Provisions (Wire Transfers) (Jersey) Regulations 200- P.71/2007**

THE STATES, in pursuance of Article 2 of the European Communities Legislation (Implementation) (Jersey) Law 1996, and having regard to Regulation EC No. 1781/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15th November 2006 on information on the payer accompanying transfers of funds, made Regulations entitled the Community Provisions (Wire Transfers) (Jersey) Regulations 2007.

### **Draft Unlawful Public Entertainments (Jersey) Regulations 200- P.72/2007**

THE STATES, in pursuance of the Order in Council dated 28th March 1771, made Regulations entitled the Unlawful Public Entertainments (Jersey) Regulations 2007.

### **Registration of political parties – P.73/2007**

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Privileges and Procedures Committee concerning the registration of political parties.

THE STATES adopting an amendment of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier, agreed that in paragraph (a)(ii), subparagraph (5) should be deleted; that in paragraph (a)(iv) the words “and to supply the Court an updated list of members at least once every 12 months” should be deleted; and in paragraph (a)(v) for the words “, the names of their officials and the list of members” there should be substituted the words “and the names of their officials”.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 39**

Senator S. Syvret  
Senator L. Norman  
Senator W. Kinnard  
Senator T.A. Le Sueur  
Senator P.F. Routier  
Senator M.E. Vibert  
Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
Senator T.J. Le Main  
Senator B.E. Shenton  
Senator J.L. Perchard  
Connétable of St. Ouen  
Connétable of St. Peter  
Connétable of St. Clement

**CONTRE: 4**

Connétable of Grouville  
Deputy J.J. Huet (H)  
Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)  
Deputy of St. John

**ABSTAIN: 0**

Connétable of St. Brelade  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)  
 Deputy J.J. Huet (H)  
 Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C)  
 Deputy P.N. Troy (B)  
 Deputy J.B. Fox (H)  
 Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)  
 Deputy of St. Ouen  
 Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H)  
 Deputy of St. Peter  
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)  
 Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)  
 Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire (H)  
 Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)  
 Deputy D.W. Mezbourian  
 (L)  
 Deputy of Trinity  
 Deputy S.S.P.A. Power (B)  
 Deputy A.J.D. Maclean (H)  
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)  
 Deputy of St. John  
 Deputy of St. Mary

THE STATES rejected an amendment of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier that in paragraph (b) after the words “or its abbreviation,” there should be inserted the words “together with the party emblem.”

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 10**

Senator S. Syvret  
 Senator W. Kinnard  
 Senator B.E. Shenton  
 Deputy P.N. Troy (B)  
 Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)  
 Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier (S)  
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)  
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)  
 Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire (H)  
 Deputy S. Pitman (H)

**CONTRE: 37**

Senator L. Norman  
 Senator T.A. Le Sueur  
 Senator P.F. Routier  
 Senator M.E. Vibert  
 Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
 Senator T.J. Le Main  
 Senator J.L. Perchard  
 Connétable of St. Ouen  
 Connétable of St. Mary  
 Connétable of St. Peter  
 Connétable of St. Clement  
 Connétable of St. Helier  
 Connétable of Trinity  
 Connétable of Grouville  
 Connétable of St. Brelade  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)  
 Deputy A. Breckon (S)  
 Deputy J.J. Huet (H)  
 Deputy of St. Martin  
 Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C)  
 Deputy J.B. Fox (H)  
 Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)  
 Deputy of St. Ouen  
 Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H)

**ABSTAIN: 0**

- (v) a Register of political parties, setting out the names of all registered parties, the names of their officials and the most recent statement of accounts, would be maintained by the Judicial Greffier and made available for public inspection on request;
- (vi) a registered political party would be de-registered and removed from the Register if it did not meet the requirements set out in sub-paragraph (iv) above or if it did not endorse any candidates for election to the States for a continuous period of 5 years;
- (b) agreed that any candidate for election to the States who was endorsed by political party should be permitted, subject to appropriate confirmation of the endorsement on the nomination paper by 2 of the registered officials, to have the name of the party, or its abbreviation, entered on the ballot paper alongside his or her name; and
- (c) requested the Privileges and Procedures Committee to bring forward for approval the relevant legislation to give effect to the proposals so that they can be in place before the elections in the autumn of 2008.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 37**

**CONTRE: 10**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

Senator L. Norman  
 Senator T.A. Le Sueur  
 Senator P.F. Routier  
 Senator M.E. Vibert  
 Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
 Senator T.J. Le Main  
 Senator B.E. Shenton  
 Senator F.E. Cohen  
 Senator J.L. Perchard  
 Connétable of St. Ouen  
 Connétable of St. Mary  
 Connétable of St. Peter  
 Connétable of St. Clement  
 Connétable of St. Helier  
 Connétable of Trinity  
 Connétable of Grouville  
 Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)  
 Deputy J.J. Huet (H)  
 Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C)  
 Deputy P.N. Troy (B)  
 Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier (S)  
 Deputy J.B. Fox (H)  
 Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)  
 Deputy of St. Ouen  
 Deputy P.J.D. Ryan (H)  
 Deputy of Grouville  
 Deputy of St. Peter  
 Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)  
 Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)  
 Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire (H)  
 Deputy D.W. Mezbourian  
 (L)  
 Deputy of Trinity  
 Deputy S.S.P.A. Power (B)  
 Deputy A.J.D. Maclean (H)

Senator S. Syvret  
 Senator W. Kinnard  
 Connétable of St. Brelade  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Deputy A. Breckon (S)  
 Deputy of St. Martin  
 Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)  
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)  
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)  
 Deputy S. Pitman (H)

THE STATES rejected a proposition of Deputy Alan Breckon of St. Saviour that the Social Housing Property Plan 2007–2016 be deferred until 17th July 2007.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 19**

Connétable of St. Mary  
Connétable of St. Brelade  
Connétable of St. John  
Deputy R.C. Duhamel (S)  
Deputy A. Breckon (S)  
Deputy P.N. Troy (B)  
Deputy C.J. Scott Warren (S)  
Deputy of St. John  
Deputy J.B. Fox (H)  
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)  
Deputy S.C. Ferguson (B)  
Deputy of Grouville  
Deputy G.W.J. de Faye (H)  
Deputy D.W. Mezbourian  
(L)  
Deputy S.S.P.A. Power (B)  
Deputy S. Pitman (H)  
Deputy A.J.D. Maclean (H)  
Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)  
Deputy of St. Mary

**CONTRE: 21**

Senator S. Syvret  
Senator L. Norman  
Senator W. Kinnard  
Senator T.A. Le Sueur  
Senator P.F. Routier  
Senator P.F.C. Ozouf  
Senator T.J. Le Main  
Senator B.E. Shenton  
Senator J.L. Perchar  
Connétable of St. Ouen  
Connétable of St. Peter  
Connétable of St. Clement  
Connétable of St. Lawrence  
  
Deputy of St. Martin  
Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (C)  
Deputy R.G. Le Hérisssier (S)  
Deputy of St. Ouen  
Deputy of St. Peter  
Deputy J.A. Hilton (H)  
Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire (H)  
Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré (L)  
Deputy of Trinity

**ABSTAIN: 0**

THE STATES, noted that, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 106(1)(a), Deputy Judith Ann Martin of St. Helier had declared an interest and withdrawn from the Chamber for the duration of the debate.

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Minister for Housing concerning the Social Housing Property Plan 2007–2016 (P.6/2007).

**Change of Presidency**

The Deputy Bailiff retired briefly from the Chair during consideration of the Social Housing Property Plan and the meeting continued under the Presidency of Mr. Michael Nelson de la Haye, Greffier of the States.

**Adjournment**

THE STATES adjourned, and agreed to reconvene on Tuesday 17th July 2007 to continue consideration of the Social Housing Property Plan 2007–2016 (P.6/2007) and the outstanding items of public business.

THE STATES rose at 5.37 p.m.