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THE STATES OF DELIBERATION

of the

ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

11th December, 2024

Proposition No. P.2024/107

STATES' ASSEMBLY & CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

Review of the Rules of Procedure

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy C Meerveld Seconded by: Deputy G St Pier

To insert an additional Proposition as follows:

"To insert the following at the end of Rule 26B of the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees:

"(5) The vote on a secondary proposition shall be taken in its entirety and shall not for the purposes of voting be broken down into any of the sub-clauses, or constituent parts contained therein.".".

Rule 4(1) Information

- a) The proposition does contribute to the States' objectives by seeking to improve the procedures and operations of the States of Deliberation.
- b) This is a Committee amendment.
- c) The proposition has been submitted to His Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) There are no financial implications to the States of Guernsey in carrying the proposal into effect.

Explanatory Note

This amendment seeks to restrict the voting on secondary propositions to the entirety of the secondary proposition, and therefore to prevent discrete votes being taken on different propositions within a secondary proposition.

The primary purpose of this amendment is to affect the way on which amendments are voted. However, as the term "amendment" is not defined within the Rules of Procedure, and for the purpose of creating a general rule of principle, it will apply to all secondary propositions. This will have the additional effect of allowing secondary propositions such as a Sursis Motivé to have additional propositions while ensuring that all propositions are voted on together. It is the opinion of the States' Assembly & Constitution Committee that this will afford for greater clarity in what secondary propositions are seeking to achieve.

The following are all types of secondary propositions:

- Amendments
- Motion to Annul an Ordinance
- Motion to Annul a Statutory Instrument
- Motion to Debate an Appendix Report
- Motion to Withdraw
- Sursis
- Sursis Motivé