

**IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY
ON THE 17th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019**

Adjourned from the 16th October

**The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'État No XX
dated 27th September, 2019**

STATES' ASSEMBLY & CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

PROXY VOTING FOR PARENTAL ABSENCE
P.2019/96

VIII: After consideration of the policy letter entitled "Proxy Voting for Parental Absence" dated 9th September, 2019:-

1. To agree that the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees should be amended with immediate effect as follows:

a) for Rule 26.(2), substitute:

"(2) A Member may vote only from his or her seat in the States' Chamber (except where the Member has been issued with a certificate by the Presiding Officer to vote by proxy). In presidential elections where there are two or more candidates, a Member may vote only from a seat in the States' Chamber. Immediately before announcing his or her vote in a division (appel nominal), a Member must switch on his or her microphone and switch it off again immediately after he or she has voted.",

b) in Rule 26.(6), delete the words 'present and',

c) insert the following paragraphs immediately after paragraph (2) of Rule 26. and renumber the existing, subsequent paragraphs accordingly:

"(3) A Member may, by reason only of absence from a Meeting of the States of Deliberation for the purpose of childbirth or care for an infant or newly-adopted child, by written notice in the form set out in Schedule 4 to these Rules arrange for their vote to be cast in accordance with this Rule by another Member acting as a proxy (a proxy vote) for a maximum duration of six continuous months.

(4) A proxy vote may be cast on the following propositions:

a) original propositions (excluding any propositions from the Presiding Officer);

b) secondary propositions; and

- c) amended propositions.
- (5) A proxy vote may be cast only if the Presiding Officer has first certified that the Member for whom the vote is to be cast is eligible under the terms of this Rule and if that certificate, including the name of the Member nominated as a proxy, has been submitted to HM Greffier before the commencement of the States Meeting in question.
- (6) A vote cast by a proxy shall be clearly indicated as such in the Official Report and voting records published.”,
- d) at the end of Rule. 26, immediately after paragraph (12) (as renumbered in accordance with paragraph c) of this Proposition), insert the following paragraph:

"(13)The provisions of this Rule that enable a Member to vote by proxy do not apply to the Alderney Representatives;

Provided that:
an Alderney Representative may act as a proxy for another Member, other than a Member who is an Alderney Representative.”,
- e) in Rule 30. (1) at the end of the definition of "Member", insert "(and note qualification in Rule 26 (13) for purposes of proxy voting)", and
- f) insert the ‘Application for Proxy Voting for Parental Absence’ form at Appendix I as Schedule 4 to the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees.

REQUÊTE

PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION, SALE AND USE OF GLYPHOSATE P.2019/87

IX: After consideration of the Requête titled “PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION, SALE AND USE OF GLYPHOSATE” dated 29th August 2019:-

1. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to direct the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security, in exercising their powers under Regulation 11(8) of the Control of Poisonous Substances (Guernsey) Regulations, 2014, as amended, to revoke all existing approvals of plant protection products (pesticides) containing the active substance Glyphosate (CAS No. 1071-83-6, EU No. 213-997-4), including importation and sale to professional users and the public by 31 March 2020, and final use by professional users by 31 December 2020.

2. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to recommend that the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security should consider granting licensed approval for Glyphosate for the use by professional users for the control of noxious weeds in Guernsey.
3. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to direct the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security to review any licensed approvals for the use of Glyphosate for noxious weeds control by the end of 2022.
4. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to direct the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security:-
 - (a) to consult all relevant stakeholders in Guernsey, and the authorities in Alderney and Sark, in connection with the use within the Bailiwick of products containing the active substance Glyphosate (CAS No. 1071-83-6, EU No. 213-997-4),
 - (b) to review any available research results, including from research undertaken by reputable international bodies such as the IARC and WHO, about the effects on health and the environment of the use of such products, and
 - (c) taking into account the results of such consultation and review, to return to the States with a Policy Letter and Propositions as soon as practically possible, addressing and recommending appropriate legislative and other measures, which may be necessary or prudent to prevent harm to health and the environment from such products and which are compatible with Guernsey's international obligations with respect to trade.

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE STATES' BUSINESS P.2019/97

- X: After consideration of the attached Schedule for future States' business, which sets out items for consideration at the Meeting of the 6th November 2019 and subsequent States' Meetings, to approve the Schedule.

C. FOSTER

HER MAJESTY'S DEPUTY GREFFIER