

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 30th JUNE 2025
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 7th JULY 2025**

Question

“Will the Chief Minister provide a list of all Government legislation currently being drafted and indicate –

- (a) any legislation expected to be completed by the end of the current political term, including the timelines for completion; and
- (b) any legislation to be delayed to the next political term, including why the decision to delay was made and when the anticipated lodging date will be?”

Answer

In Autumn 2024, the Council of Ministers reviewed its legislative requirements and undertook a prioritisation process to manage demand to capacity. This reduced the demand from an initial 129 items down to a more realistic figure of 59, which could be lodged before the election in 2026. The Government Legislative Programme 2025-2026 was agreed and included in a letter to Scrutiny on 18 November 2024. It also formed part of the Cabinet Office Business Plan, which was published in March 2025.

The Legislative Programme is always subject to change and responds to the demands of policy development and events. When items of legislation change in level of priority, they are usually retained and form part of the legislative Development Pool. This category allows policy officers and the Legislative Drafting Office to continue to progress the draft, with a view to being ready for the next Council of Ministers to consider lodging at a future date.

- a) The information below provides an update on the legislation still remaining to be lodged and debated before the end of the political term. Given the complexities inherent in the policy development and drafting process, it is not possible to provide specific dates for lodging:
- Adults Safeguarding Law – Adult Protection Orders
 - Agriculture (Loans & Guarantees) (Jersey) Law 1974
 - Amendments to Criminal Procedure Law
 - Amendments to the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law
 - Amendments to the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014
 - Animal Welfare (Jersey) Law 2004
 - Assisted Dying legislation
 - Capacity and Mental Health
 - Common Reporting Standard and Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act Regulations
 - Common Reporting Standard – Version 2
 - Companies (Jersey) Law 1991
 - Competitions (Jersey) Law 2005 Amendments
 - Comptroller & Auditor General (Jersey) Law 2014
 - Crypto-Asset Reporting Framework
 - Cultivations Regulations: Medical purposes
 - Cyber Security (Jersey) Law 202-
 - Draft Criminal Justice (Young Offenders in Secure Accommodation) Jersey Amendment Law
 - ECCU Legislation & Civil Asset Forfeiture Powers

- Elections (Senators) (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-
- Employment (Jersey) Law 2003 – improvements to include whistleblowing protection
- Financial Intelligence Unit legislation
- Finance (2026) (Jersey) Law – the Budget
- Health Funding Reform
- Heritage (Jersey) Law
- Historical Tax Agreements
- Intellectual Property Framework Reform (including Trademarks)
- Legislation to improve access to information relating to energy resilience
- Legislation to regulate the development of an offshore windfarm
- Licensing Law 1978 Amendments
- Long Term Care (Jersey) Law 2012 – legal framework to establish rates for domiciliary care
- Matrimonial Causes (Jersey) 1949 and Civil Partnership (Jersey) Law 2012 reform
- Medicines Manufacturing licensing regime Regulations
- Multinational Taxation (Global Anti-base Erosion) (Jersey) Law – De Minimus
- Multinational Taxation (Global Anti-base Erosion) (Jersey) Law – Interest
- Police (Complaints and Conduct) (Jersey) Regulations
- Professional Registration Law for Health and Social Care Professionals
- Public Health Law
- Refundable Tax Credits
- Shipping (IMO Conventions and Codes) (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-
- Social Security (Jersey) Law 1974 – review working age eligibility rules
- Social Security (Jersey) Law 1974 & Social Security Bonus (Jersey) Law 2014 – review pensioner benefit eligibility rules
- Termination of Pregnancy legislation
- Update benefit legislation to support the major IT benefits project (Transform), including replacement of current Long Term Incapacity Allowance rules
- Violence against women and girls – Emergency Barring Orders in the Domestic Abuse (Jersey) Law 2022
- Violence against women and girls – Non-fatal Strangulation and suffocation
- Violence against women and girls – Online offences
- Violence against women and girls – Sexual harassment in public
- Violence against women and girls – Stalking Law

b) The Council of Ministers received an update on the Legislative Programme at its meeting on 17 June 2025. It agreed that four items should be prioritised into the Legislative Programme and four should be moved to the Development Pool. As standard practice, the papers for that meeting have been shared with Scrutiny. For transparency, those items are listed below:

Included in the Legislative Programme:

- Amendments to Criminal Procedure Law
- Cyber Security (Jersey) Law 202-
- Elections (Senators) (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-
- Shipping (IMO Conventions and Codes) (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-

Moved to the Development Pool:

- Amendments to the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 – Regulations – role of Fiscal Policy Panel
- Assistance in collection of UK Tax Debts
- Exchange of Tax Information – Regulations
- Powers of Attorney (Jersey) Law 1995