

STATES OF JERSEY



Jersey

DRAFT TREATIES (JERSEY) LAW 202- (P.122/2025): AMENDMENT

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1 PAGE 10, ARTICLE 2 –

In Article 2(3), for “Article 3, 4 or 5” substitute “Article 3 or 4”.

2 PAGE 10, ARTICLE 3 –

In Article 3(3), for “Article 2, 4 or 5” substitute “Article 2 or 4”.

3 PAGE 11, ARTICLE 5 –

Delete Article 5 and renumber the subsequent Article accordingly.

CHIEF MINISTER

REPORT

Background and purpose

The draft Treaties (Jersey) Law 202- (“the draft Law”) is intended to provide a legal requirement for the States Assembly to approve different types of international treaties before they may be considered effective in Jersey.

The amendment concerns removing draft Article 5 which provides that a treaty signed by the Attorney General in exercise of law enforcement functions must be laid before the States Assembly for information within 28 days of signature together with an explanatory memorandum. The reason for the proposed change is to further rationalise the draft Law as law enforcement agreements generally take the form of memoranda of understanding, which are not treaties. Where, on the rare occasion, they may take the form of a treaty signed under Letter of Entrustment, draft Article 2 provides the appropriate route for States Assembly engagement.

Accordingly, it is proposed that draft Article 5 is deleted.

Consultation

The Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel has been engaged on this amendment.

Financial and staffing implications

There are no additional or financial implications for Government as a result of this amendment.

Children’s Rights Impact Assessment

A Children’s Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) screener has been prepared in relation to this proposition and is available to read on the States Assembly website.

Human Rights

The notes on the human rights aspects of the draft Law in the **Appendix** have been prepared by the Law Officers’ Department and are included for the information of States Members. They are not, and should not, be taken as legal advice.

APPENDIX TO REPORT

Human Rights Notes on the Amendment to the Draft Treaties (Jersey) Law 202-

These Notes have been prepared in respect of the amendment (“the Amendment”) to the draft Treaties (Jersey) Law 202- (“the draft Law”) by the Law Officers’ Department.

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The Amendment gives rise to no human rights concerns. The Amendment seeks to remove draft Article 5 from the draft Law.