

Submission email – Simon Harrison – 22nd March 2026

This week, States Members will debate P.32/2026 Draft Road Traffic Law (Drug Driving) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202-.

There are, however, issues with the proposition that necessitate further scrutiny under Standing Order 72.

Our primary concerns are:

- That there is no medical defence included in the draft law, which will also affect patients of other drugs added to the law in future.
- That the lack of medical defence constitutes discrimination under the Discrimination (Jersey) Law 2013.
- That there is no currently available scientifically valid method of determining cannabis impairment from blood concentration.
- That a field impairment test should be required in conjunction with the roadside saliva test to evidence whether someone is unfit to drive under the law.

Please find attached our response to the proposition that we submitted to the Environment, Housing & Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel last week.

Further submissions can be found at the link below, which reiterate our concerns:

<https://statesassembly.je/search?documentType=Submissions&panel=200033>

Please note that there are additional submissions that have yet to be published.

Regarding the amendment to the proposition that has been raised by the Scrutiny Panel, we recommend that the States Assembly rejects the amendment.