

# PROJET DE LOI

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## **The Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 \***

[CONSOLIDATED TEXT]

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\* Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXIII, p. 476; as amended by the: Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1978 (Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXVI, p. 255); Reform (Election of Conseillers and Minor Amendments) (Guernsey) Law, 1993 (No. V of 1993, Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXXIV, p. 397); Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1996 (No. II of 1996, Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXXVI, p. 478); Reform (Replacement of Conseillers) (Guernsey) Law, 1998 (No. X of 1998, Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXXVIII, p. 295); Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003 (No XIII of 2003); Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2009 (No. VII of 2010); Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) (No. 2) Law, 2019 (No. II of 2020); Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2004 (No. III of 2004); Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2006 (No. LI of 2006); Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020 (No. XXIII of 2020); Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2025 (No. \*\* of 2025). See also the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2012 (No. XIII of 2012). This Law is modified, in part, by the Posting Voting Regulations, 2020 (G.S.I. No. 73 of 2020).

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## **The Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972**

**THE STATES**, in pursuance of their Resolutions of the twenty-seventh day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-one, and the twenty-seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and seventy-two, have approved the following provisions which, subject to the Sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, shall have force of law in the Islands of Guernsey, Herm and Jethou.

### PART I

#### *Voting age and compilation of Electoral Roll*

#### **Amendments to Law of 1948.**

1. The Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "**the principal Law**")<sup>a</sup>, is hereby further amended as follows –

(a) sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) of Article twenty-seven thereof is repealed and the following sub-paragraph is substituted therefor –

"(a) is of the age of eighteen years or over or will attain the age of eighteen years before the commencement of that electoral year,"<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>a</sup> Ordres en Conseil Vol. XIII, p. 288; Vol. XIV, p. 407; Vol. XV, p. 279; Vol. XVIII, p. 275; Vol. XIX, p. 84 and p. 140.

(b) Article 34 thereof is repealed and the following Article is substituted therefor –

" **34.** (1) The Registrar-General shall, during the period commencing on the first day of October in each year and ending on the thirty-first day of October in the same year, make available forms of application for inclusion on the Electoral Roll at such centres as he may specify by notice in the "Gazette Officielle" and on or before the seventh day of October in the year next preceding the year of a triennial election he shall, in addition, cause to be distributed to each dwelling in the Island such number of forms of application as he may consider necessary for the number of voters living therein.

(2) A person whose name is inscribed on the Electoral Roll for any electoral year and who, having changed his ordinary place of residence in this Island, desires to have his address changed on the Electoral Roll for the next succeeding electoral year may, during the period commencing on the first day of October in any year and ending on the twentieth day of January in the year next following, make application in that behalf to the Registrar-General in such form as may from time to time be prescribed by the Registrar-General.

(3) From the information delivered to him under the provisions of this Law the Registrar-General shall, on or before the thirty-first day of December in each year, compile the Electoral Roll for the next succeeding electoral

year.

(4) Each section of the Electoral Roll shall contain the names and addresses of the persons residing in the District to which that section relates, being persons entitled to have their names inscribed on the Electoral Roll.

(5) The section of the Electoral Roll in respect of each District shall be published for inspection under the control of the Constables and Douzaine of the parish to which the section relates during the period commencing on the second day of January and ending on the seventeenth day of January in each year at such suitable place in that District during such hours on each week day other than Saturday as shall from time to time be prescribed by the Registrar General after consultation with those Constables.

(6) In each year all the sections of the Electoral Roll shall be published for inspection under the control of the Registrar-General during the period referred to in the last preceding subsection at such Offices of the States as he shall prescribe during such hours on each week day other than Saturday as he shall from time to time prescribe.

(7) The Registrar-General shall give previous notice by an announcement in the "Gazette Officielle" of the dates, times and places on, during and at which the Electoral Roll will be available for inspection.

(8) Any person claiming that he is entitled to have his name inscribed on any section of the Electoral Roll

and that it is omitted from that section or that some material error in his name or address appears in that section, may, not later than the third week day after the close of the period during which the Electoral Roll is available for inspection, deliver to the Registrar-General an application in writing to have his name and address inscribed on that section, or for the rectification of the error alleged; the Registrar-General shall, if he is satisfied of the existence of the omission or error, forthwith amend the Electoral Roll.

(9) The section of the Electoral Roll compiled, published and amended for any electoral year as in this Article provided in respect of each District shall constitute the Electoral Roll of that District during that electoral year and shall determine whether or not a person is entitled to vote in that District during that electoral year at an election for any of the offices of People's Deputy, Constable or Douzenier, and at any election a copy of the appropriate section shall be furnished free of charge by the Registrar-General to the Returning Officer of each District for each polling station in that District, and the Returning Officer shall ensure that a copy is available at each polling station in his District.

(10) A person who knowingly furnishes in an application under this Law any information required to be furnished which is false in any material particular or recklessly so furnishes any information which is false in a material particular shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds."<sup>2</sup>

## PART II

Voting by Post

**Postal voting by absent voters.**

2. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of the principal Law, a person whose name is inscribed on the Electoral Roll and who is a person to whom this Part of this Law applies (hereinafter referred to as "**an absent voter**") may vote by post in accordance with the succeeding provisions of this Part of this Law at an election for the office of [...] People's Deputy] (hereinafter referred to as "**an election**").

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**NOTES**

*In section 2,*

*the words in square brackets were substituted by the Reform (Election of Conseillers and Minor Amendments) (Guernsey) Law, 1993, section 18(4), with effect from 30th June, 1993, subject to the provisions of section 22(2) of the 1993 Law;*

*the words omitted in the square brackets within the square brackets were repealed by the Reform (Replacement of Conseillers) (Guernsey) Law, 1998, section 5, Schedule, with effect from 1st May, 2000, subject to the transitional provisions in section 9(2) of the 1998 Law.*

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**Absent voters.**

[ 3. This part of this Law applies to any person who has made an application in accordance with section 5.]

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**NOTE**

*Section 3 was substituted by the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2004, section 1, with effect from 25th February, 2004.<sup>3</sup>*

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**Register of absent voters.**

4. (1) For the purposes of this Part of this Law the Registrar-General shall, on the coming into force of this Law, establish and thereafter maintain [...], a register of absent voters (hereinafter referred to as "**the Register**").

(2) ...

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**NOTE**

*In section 4, subsection (2), and the words omitted in square brackets in subsection (1), were repealed by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 2, with effect from 1st July, 2020.<sup>4</sup>*

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**Application by absent voter to be entered on the Register.**

5. [ (1) [ Subject to subsection (2),] an absent voter who is desirous of voting by post at an election shall, not less than [five days] before [the first day on which votes may be cast at a polling station at that election], apply to the Registrar-General on such form as the Registrar-General may from time to time prescribe to have his name entered in the Register.

[ (2) An absent voter who is desirous of voting by post at the general election to be held in [June 2025] must apply to the Registrar-General on or before [29<sup>th</sup> May 2025] on such form as the Registrar-General may from time to time prescribe to have his name entered in the Register.]

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**NOTES**

*In section 5,*

*first, subsection (1) was renumbered, second, the words in the first pair of square brackets in subsection (1) were inserted, and, third, those in the third pairs therein were substituted and, fourth, subsection (2) was inserted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 3, respectively paragraph (a), paragraph (b), paragraph (c) and paragraph (d), with effect from 1st July, 2020;*

*the words in the second pair of square brackets in subsection (1) were substituted by the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1978, section 2, with effect from 9th February, 1978;*

*the words in the first and second pairs of square brackets within subsection (2) were substituted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2025, section 1(2), with effect from 20th February, 2025.*

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**[Entry on Register by Registrar-General.]**

6. Upon receipt of an application under section 5, the Registrar-General shall, if he is satisfied that the applicant is an absent voter, enter the name and address of the absent voter in the Register, and against such entry the Registrar-General shall enter a number personal to that absent voter for the election concerned; the names entered in the Register under this section shall be numbered consecutively throughout the Register.]

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**NOTE**

*Section 6 was substituted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 4, with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

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**[Effect of registration and removal of name.]**

6A. (1) A person shall not vote in person at an election whilst his name is entered in the Register.

(2) The Registrar-General shall delete from the Register the name of any person who applies in that behalf on a form prescribed by the Registrar-General before the documents referred to in section 7 of this Law are sent to him.]

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**NOTE**

*Section 6A was inserted by the Reform (Election of Conseillers and Minor Amendments) (Guernsey) Law, 1993, section 17, with effect from 30th June, 1993.*

**Documents to be sent to absent voters.**

7. [ (1)] The Registrar-General shall, as soon as practicable, [provide the absent voter with] –

- (a) a ballot paper,
- (b) a form of declaration of identity to be completed by the absent voter,
- (c) an envelope marked "BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE",  
and
- (d) a pre-paid envelope addressed to the Registrar-General.

[ (2)] The Registrar General may provide the documents referred to in subsection (1) by –

- (a) sending them to the absent voter by post, or
- (b) giving them to the absent voter in person upon production of such form of identification as the Registrar General may from time to time require.]

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**NOTES**

*In section 7,*

*subsection (2) was inserted, and the original section was re-designated as "subsection (1)", by the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2004, respectively section 3(3) and section 3(2), with effect from 25th February 2004;*

*the words in square brackets in subsection (1) were substituted by the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2004, section 3(1), with effect from 25th February 2004.*

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**Registrar-General power to reissue and cancel postal ballot packs.**

**7A.** (1) For the avoidance of doubt, the Registrar-General may provide the absent voter with another set of the documents referred to in section 7(1) in circumstances where the Registrar-General is satisfied that –

- (a) the documents previously sent to the absent voter were not received by the voter, have been lost by the voter, or have been damaged such that they cannot be used, or
- (b) the absent voter otherwise needs to be provided with another set of those documents to be able to vote, and it would not threaten the integrity of the election so to provide them.

(2) Before providing the absent voter with another set of documents under subsection (1), the Registrar-General must ensure that procedures are in place to render null and of no effect the documents previously sent to the absent voter, and otherwise to protect the integrity of the election.

(3) For the avoidance of doubt, the Registrar-General may render null and of no effect documents sent to the absent voter under section 7(1) (or subsection (1)) without sending that voter another set of such documents in circumstances where the Registrar-General is satisfied that –

- (a) it is necessary to do so for the purposes of protecting the integrity of the election, and

- (b) he is not preventing a voter who is desirous of voting at an election from so doing.]

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**NOTE**

*Section 7A was inserted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 5, with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

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**Form of ballot paper.**

8. A ballot paper sent to an absent voter under the provisions of [section 7 or section 7A] shall be in the same form as, and indistinguishable from, the ballot paper delivered to other voters, not being absent voters, for the purposes of the election.

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**NOTE**

*In section 8, the words in square brackets were substituted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 6, with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

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**Marking of counterfoil and Register.**

9. The [...] number of an absent voter as entered in the Register to whom a ballot paper has been sent under the provisions of [section 7 or section 7A] of this Law shall be marked by the Registrar-General on the counterfoil of the ballot paper and a mark shall be placed by him in the Register against the entry relating to the absent voter denoting that a ballot paper has been sent to him but without disclosing the number of the said ballot paper.

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**NOTES**

*In section 9, the words omitted in the first pair of square brackets were repealed and the words in the second pair of square brackets were substituted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 7,*

*with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

*In its application in respect of the 2020 General Election to take place on 7th October, 2020, section 9 is modified (being substituted) in accordance with the provisions of the Posting Voting Regulations, 2020, regulation 1(2), with effect from 10th August, 2020.*

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**Marking of documents.**

**10.** The number of a ballot paper sent to an absent voter under the provisions of [section 7 or section 7A] of this Law shall be marked –

- (a) on the form of declaration of identity, and
- (b) on the envelope marked "BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE",

sent as aforesaid [...] and the personal number of the absent voter as so entered shall be marked on the pre-paid envelope addressed as aforesaid to the Registrar-General.

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**NOTES**

*In section 10, the words in the first pair of square brackets were substituted and the words omitted in the second pair of square brackets were repealed by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 8, with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

*In its application in respect of the 2020 General Election to take place on 7th October, 2020, section 10 is modified (being amended) in accordance with the provisions of the Posting Voting Regulations, 2020, regulation 1(3), with effect from 10th August, 2020.*

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**Copies of Register to be sent to [Central Returning Officer].**

**11.** The Registrar-General shall, prior to the opening of the poll on the date appointed for the election, send to [the Central Returning Officer a copy of the Register] marked by the Registrar-General against the entry relating to the absent voter denoting that a ballot paper has been sent to him but without disclosing the

number of the said ballot paper.

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**NOTE**

*In section 11, the words in square brackets in the section heading were substituted and the words in square brackets were substituted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 9, with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

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**Marking of ballot paper by absent voter and return to Registrar-General [or Polling Station Officer].**

12. An absent voter to whom a ballot paper has been sent under the provisions of [section 7 or section 7A] of this Law shall mark that ballot paper in accordance with [the relevant provisions of the Principal Law] and the ballot paper shall be placed and sealed by him in the envelope marked "BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE" and returned together with the completed declaration of identity in the pre-paid envelope to the Registrar-General so as to reach him not later than [noon on] the date appointed for the holding of the election[, or returned to a Polling Station Officer at a polling station before the close of the poll].

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**NOTES**

*In section 12,*

*first, the words in square brackets in the section heading were inserted, second, the words in the first pair of square brackets and those in the second pair were substituted and, third, the words in the fourth pair of square brackets were inserted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 10, with effect from 1st July, 2020;*

*the words in the third pair of square brackets were substituted by the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2006, section 1, with effect from 29th November 2006.*

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**Envelope to be sent to [Central Returning Officer].**

13. [ (1)] The Registrar-General shall, upon receipt of a pre-paid

envelope sent to him under the provisions of the last preceding section, cause the said envelope to be delivered unopened to [the Central Returning Officer] so as to reach him [prior to the commencement of the vote count].

[ (2) A Polling Station Officer shall, on receipt of a pre-paid envelope returned to him under the provisions of the last preceding section, cause that pre-paid envelope to be delivered unopened to the Central Returning Officer so as to reach him prior to the commencement of the vote count.]

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**NOTE**

*In section 13, first, the words in the section heading were substituted, second, subsection (1) was renumbered, third, the words in the first and second pairs of square brackets in subsection (1) were substituted and, fourth, subsection (2) was inserted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 11, respectively paragraph (a), paragraph (b), paragraph (c) and paragraph (d), with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

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**[Recording of vote of absent voter.]**

**14.** (1) The Central Returning Officer shall, no earlier than the day appointed for the holding of the election, cause a pre-paid envelope sent to him under the provisions of section 13(1) or 13(2) above to be opened in the presence of one or more scrutineers appointed by him under the provisions of Article 37 of the principal Law and, after satisfying himself that the number on the form of declaration of identity coincides with the number on the envelope marked "BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE" and that the form of declaration of identity has been duly completed, he shall place the envelope marked "BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE" unopened in a ballot box used solely for that purpose and retain the form of declaration of identity and the pre-paid envelope with the Register sent to him as aforesaid save that if the said numbers do not coincide as aforesaid, the Central Returning Officer shall endorse the form of declaration of identity with the words "VOTE REJECTED" and place the envelope marked "BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE" and the form of declaration of identity and the pre-paid envelope in a container used solely for that

purpose.

(2) At the conclusion of the process set out in subsection (1), the Central Returning Officer shall seal in a separate package used solely for that purpose the forms of declaration of identity and the pre-paid envelopes and the copy of the Register, and in a separate package any form of declaration of identity endorsed with the words "VOTE REJECTED" together with the "BALLOT PAPER ENVELOPE" and pre-paid envelope relating thereto.

(3) On the completion of the counting of the votes in pursuance of Article 38 of the principal Law the Central Returning Officer shall seal, in a package used solely for that purpose, the ballot paper envelopes taken from the ballot box in which the unopened ballot paper envelopes were placed.]

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**NOTE**

*Section 14 was substituted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 12, with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

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**Documents to be returned by [the Central Returning Officer] to Registrar-General and destruction thereof.**

**15.** (1) Before the expiration of the period of forty-eight hours next succeeding the date appointed for the holding of an election [the Central Returning Officer] shall deliver to the Registrar-General the [...] sealed packages referred to in subsections (2) and (3) of the last preceding section.

(2) Not earlier than forty-eight hours after the public declaration of the poll by [the Central Returning Officer], or in the event of a re-count pursuant to Article forty-one of the principal Law not earlier than forty-eight hours after the result of that re-count has been published by the [Presiding Officer] of the States, the Registrar-General shall destroy all the sealed packages delivered to him in pursuance

of subsection (1) of this section.

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**NOTES**

*In section 15,*

*first, the words "the Central Returning Officer" in square brackets, wherever occurring, were substituted and second, the words omitted in the second pair of square brackets in subsection (1) were repealed by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 13, with effect from 1st July, 2020;*

*the words in the second pair of square brackets in subsection (2) were substituted by the Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003, section 4(2), with effect from 1st May, 2004.*

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**[Ordinances as to postal voting, etc.]**

**15A.** (1) The States may by Ordinance make such provision as they think fit in relation to –

- (a) postal voting, and
- (b) other means of voting, whether or not involving attendance at a polling station,

at elections for the office of People's Deputy or any other office specified by the Ordinance.

[ (1A) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), an Ordinance under that subsection may make provision in relation to voting at polling stations before the date appointed for the holding of the election in question, and may provide for a person to vote in an election at a polling station outside the Parish in respect of which his name appears on the Electoral Roll, and the principal Law shall be construed accordingly.]

- (2) An Ordinance under this section –
- (a) may amend any provision of this Law,
  - (b) may contain incidental, consequential, supplementary and transitional provisions,
  - (c) may make consequential amendments to the provisions of the principal Law and the law from time to time regulating the procedure for Secret Ballot, and
  - (d) may be amended or repealed by a subsequent Ordinance hereunder.]

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**NOTES**

*Section 15A was inserted by the Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003, section 4(3), with effect from 1st August, 2003.*

*In Article 15A, subsection (1A) was inserted by the Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) (No. 2) Law, 2019, section 44, with effect from 22nd April, 2020.*

*The following Ordinances have been made under section 15A:*

*Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2004;*

*Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2006;*

*Advance and Super Polling Station Ordinance, 2020;*

*Advance and Super Polling Station Ordinance, 2025;*

*Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2025.*

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**[Regulations as to postal voting.]**

**15B.** (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), for the purpose of facilitating the introduction of an automated, partially automated or otherwise more efficient system for preparing, collating and sending documents to absent voters

under this Law, the States' Assembly & Constitution Committee may by regulations make such provision as it thinks fit to modify any of sections 7, 9, 10 and 14 as they apply in respect of any election to the office of People's Deputy specified in the regulations.

(2) The States' Assembly & Constitution Committee may only make regulations under this section if it is satisfied that such regulations would not threaten the integrity of the election in question.

(3) The States' Assembly & Constitution Committee must consult the Registrar-General before making regulations under this section.

(4) Regulations under this section –

- (a) may contain incidental, consequential, supplementary and transitional provisions,
- (b) may be amended or repealed by subsequent regulations hereunder, and
- (c) shall be laid as soon as possible before a meeting of the States and shall, if at that or their next meeting the States resolve to annul them, cease to have effect, but without prejudice to anything done under them or to the making of new regulations under this section.]

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**NOTES**

*Section 15B was inserted by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 14, with effect from 1st July, 2020.*

*The following Regulations have been made under section 15B:*

PART III

*States Employees*

**[States employees and public officers may not be States Members.]**

16. (1) A States employee or public officer who is elected under the provisions of the principal Law to hold office as a member of the States of Deliberation may not take before the Royal Court the oaths required to be taken under Article 19 of the principal Law unless and until he ceases to be a States employee or public officer (as the case may be).

(2) A member of the States of Deliberation who has taken the oaths referred to in subsection (1) must resign as such a Member before commencing employment as a States employee or commencing office as a public officer.]

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**NOTE**

*Section 16 was substituted by the Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2009, section 5, with effect from 5th August, 2010.*

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PART IV

*General*

**Repeals.**

17. The Laws set out in the left hand column of the Schedule to this Law are hereby repealed to the extent set out in the right hand column of that Schedule.

**Interpretation.**

**18.** In this Law, except where the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say –

[ ...]

**"Office of the States"** means any office, building, room or place used for the purpose of the States,

[ **"public officer"** means a person who is –

- (a) the holder of judicial office in any court in the island of Guernsey,
- (b) a member of the regular armed forces,
- (c) a member of the Guernsey Financial Services Commission,
- (d) the Director General of the Guernsey Financial Services Commission,
- (e) [ the Director General of Utility Regulation],
- (f) the Data Protection Commissioner,
- (g) the Public Trustee, or
- (h) the holder of any other office specified by Ordinance of the States,]

**"States Employee"** means a person employed by the States of

Guernsey [(whether on a full time or part time basis)] in such circumstances that the said States have the right to require that he shall devote the whole of his services to such employment during all hours of work normally applicable thereto.

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**NOTES**

*In section 18,*

*the words omitted in the first pair of square brackets were repealed by the Postal Voting (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, section 15, with effect from 1st July, 2020;*

*the definition of the expression "public officer", and the words in square brackets in the definition of the expression "States employee", were inserted by the Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2009, respectively section 6(a) and section 6(b), with effect from 5th August, 2010.*

*In accordance with the provisions of the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2012, section 5(2), with effect from 1st June, 2012, the reference in paragraph (e) of the definition of the expression "public officer" to the "Director General of Utility Regulation" is substituted with a reference to the "Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority"; and the functions, rights and liabilities of the Director General of Utility Regulation and the Office thereof arising under or by virtue of this Law are transferred to and vested in the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority by the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2012, section 5(1), with effect from 1st June, 2012, subject to the provisions of section 5(3) of, and section 6, Schedule 2 to, the 2012 Ordinance.*

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**Construction and collective title.**

**19.** This Law and the principal Law shall be construed as one and this Law and the Reform (Guernsey) Laws, 1948 to 1963, may be cited together as the Reform (Guernsey) Laws, 1948 to 1972.

**Citation and commencement.**

**20.** This Law may be cited as the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on the first day October, nineteen hundred and seventy-two.

SCHEDULE  
REPEALS

Section seventeen

Laws	Extent of Repeal
The States Employees (Ineligibility for Membership of the States of Deliberation) Law, 1949 <sup>c</sup> .	The whole Law.
The Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948 (Amendment) Law, 1952.	Paragraph (h) of section one.
The Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1963.	Section two.

<sup>1</sup> For subsequent amendments, see the consolidated text of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948.

<sup>2</sup> For subsequent amendments, see the consolidated text of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948.

<sup>3</sup> Prior to its substitution section 3 was amended by the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1996, section 3(4), with effect from 5th June, 1996; and the Reform (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003, section 4(1), with effect from 1st August, 2003.

<sup>4</sup> Prior to its repeal, subsection (2) was amended by the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972 (Amendment) Ordinance, 2004, section 2, with effect from 25th February, 2004.

<sup>c</sup> Ordres en Conseil Vol. XIV, p. 157.