

STATES OF DELIBERATION

28th January, 2009

**Billet d'État No. II
Article 14**

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy A H Brouard
Seconded by:

**Public Services Department
Wastewater Charges**

To insert:

- a) at the end of the words in Proposition 1: “, except that no wastewater charges shall be payable in respect of any field (agricultural land), vinery/glasshouse (horticultural land and buildings), fish farm, farmstead, animal house, stable or similar situations as may be determined by Public Services, which has a metered water supply **but** no connection to mains drainage, septic tank or cesspit. Should a property of the above description or the like have a connection to mains drainage, septic tank or cesspit, that property shall be allowed to apportion by a second meter those waters supplied which return to mains drainage, septic tank or cesspit and hence are chargeable as wastewater and those used for crop, animal watering and the like which are not chargeable as wastewater”;
- b) at the end of the words in Proposition 2: “, except that no fixed charge shall be payable in respect of any field (agricultural land), vinery/glasshouse (horticultural land and buildings), fish farm, farmstead, animal house, stable or similar situations as may be determined by Public Services, which has a metered water supply but no connection to mains drainage, septic tank or cesspit,”.

Explanatory Note

The report does not address the situation of say a standpipe in a field to supply water for cows, as the report is written this would be subject to a wastewater charge, although none of the water would use the foul net work. Rather than have to try and claim exemption, which could still carry a charge, the amendment seeks to clarify the position. The same applies to greenhouses where the water is used on crops.

The purpose to allow separation is for instances where there are say staff toilets or a canteen facilities on say a vinery site, it would be an injustice to charge for wastewater for all the water supplied to a horticultural site when only a fraction is used in the provision staff facilities and toilets.