

**THE STATES OF DELIBERATION**  
**of the**  
**ISLAND OF GUERNSEY**

16<sup>th</sup> February, 2022

**Proposition No. P.2022/6**

**Committee for Home Affairs**

**The Sexual Offences (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020 (Commencement)**  
**Ordinance, 2022**

**AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy C P Meerveld  
Seconded by: Deputy J F Dyke

In section 1(a) of the Sexual Offences (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020 (Commencement) Ordinance, 2022, after “except” insert “section 4(2)(g),”.

**Rule 4(1) Information**

- a) The proposition contributes to States policies and objectives in the States’ Government Work Plan 2020-2024 by facilitating the commencement of the Law which is designed to protect the public whilst enabling further consideration of section 4(2)(g) which is a new and untested legal provision in Guernsey.
- b) In preparing the proposition, consultation has been undertaken with the Committee for Home affairs and HM Procureur in preparing the proposition.
- c) The proposition has been submitted to Her Majesty’s Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) There are no financial implications to the States of carrying the proposal into effect.

**Explanatory note**

The proposed Amendment prevents commencement of Section 4 (2)(g) of the Law at this time and is intended to allow for further consultation and consideration of this novel provision, which was added at short notice by way of amendment to the Sexual

Offences (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020 legislation, when the legislation was laid for approval before the States in June 2020. The effect of the amendment is unclear and requires further consideration and debate before or if, it is brought into force.