

# STATES OF JERSEY



## SUSPENSION OF DEPUTY P.F.C. OZOUF OF ST. SAVIOUR

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Lodged au Greffe on 28th October 2025  
by the Privileges and Procedures Committee  
Earliest date for debate: 11th November 2025

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STATES GREFFE

## **PROPOSITION**

**THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –**

to agree to suspend Deputy Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf of St. Saviour as a neutral act in accordance with Standing Order 21AA with immediate effect until his pending Court case is concluded.

PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

## REPORT

The Privileges and Procedures Committee has a responsibility to protect the reputation of the Assembly and uphold Members' standards in relation to the Code of Conduct. Deputy Ozouf has pleaded guilty to a number of offences under the UK Immigration Act 1971, as extended to Jersey and the Committee considers that this warrants his suspension from the Assembly as a neutral act until the outcome of his Court case is known.

Standing Order 21AA provides that –

### ***21AA Additional requirements for proposition to suspend member as a neutral act***

*(1) A proposition that a member of the States be suspended as a neutral act may only be lodged by the PPC and must propose the duration of the suspension.*

*(2) The debate on a proposition lodged under this standing order must be held in camera.*

PPC is mindful that this approach, which stipulates that the matter must be debated in camera, avoids any public, and potentially prejudicial, discussion of Deputy Ozouf's pending Court case, which is unlikely to be concluded before the pre-election period begins in April 2026. PPC does not consider it appropriate for Deputy Ozouf to remain as a fully active Member of the Assembly until that time.

If this proposition is adopted, Deputy Ozouf will be suspended from attending and participating in meetings of the Assembly, but will be able to continue to serve his constituents and will receive his remuneration, in accordance with Standing Order 164.

### ***164 Suspension of member of the States***

*(1) A member of the States who is suspended (as a sanction for certain actions or as a neutral act) must not, during the period of suspension –*

*(a) discharge the functions of –*

*(i) any Ministerial office relating to the business of the Assembly or of a committee or panel,*

*(ii) any functions as a member of any committee or panel, to which he or she is appointed in accordance with these standing orders, or*

*(iii) any functions of any other post held by virtue of being a States Member; or*

*(b) in his or her own right –*

*(i) lodge a proposition,*

*(ii) give any question to the Greffier, or give notice to the Greffier of any question, that is to be answered by the tabling of a written reply in a meeting or orally during a meeting, or*

*(iii) present any report or comment to the States.*

*(2) For the purposes of provision being made for the discharge of the functions mentioned in paragraph (1)(a), the member of the States who is suspended shall be taken to be temporarily absent during the period of suspension.*

Should he receive a custodial sentence of three months or more, without the option of a fine, then he will be automatically disqualified from being a States Member in accordance with Article 3(h) of the States of Jersey Law 2005.

### **Financial and staffing implications**

There are no financial or staffing implications arising from this proposition.

### **Children's Rights Impact Assessment**

A Children's Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) has not been prepared in relation to this proposition as a CRIA is not required, in accordance with Schedule 2 to the [Children \(Convention Rights\) \(Jersey\) Law 2022](#).