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# The Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1978 \*

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<sup>\*</sup> Orders in Council Vol. XXVI, p. 255; as amended by the Reform (Election of Conseillers and Minor Amendments) (Guernsey) Law, 1993 (No. V of 1993).

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THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolutions of the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and seventy-six, the twenty-seventh day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy-six, and the thirtieth day of March, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven, 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.

## Amendments to principal Law.

- 1. The Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948<sup>a</sup>, as amended<sup>b</sup> (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Law") is hereby further amended as follows, that is to say -
  - (a) ...
  - (b) ...
  - (c) Article thirty-six thereof is repealed and the following Article is substituted therefor –

a Ordres en Conseil Vol. XIII, p. 288.

Ordres en Conseil Vol. XIV, p. 407; Vol. XV, p. 279; Vol. XVIII, p. 275; Vol. XIX, p. 84 and p. 140; Vol. XXIII, p. 476; and Vol. XXV, p. 326.

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# "Candidates permitted to procure copies of relevant section of Electoral Roll.

- 36. At any election each candidate shall be entitled upon application to the Greffe made during the four weeks immediately preceding the date fixed for the holding of such election to procure from the Greffe not more than five copies of the section of the Electoral Roll concerning the District for which he is a candidate on payment to Her Majesty's Greffier of the sum of twelve and a half new pence for each such copy.", 1
- (d) Article thirty-nine thereof is repealed and the following

  Article is substituted therefor –

## "Hours of polling.

- **39.** (1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of this Article, at every election the polling stations shall open at ten o'clock in the morning and shall be kept open until eight o'clock in the evening of the same day.
- (2) The States may, from time to time, by Ordinance vary the times at which the polling stations shall open and close and may so provide that the polling stations shall open and close at different times in different Districts.";
- (e) in paragraph (1) of Article forty-five thereof the words "seven days" are repealed and the words "fourteen days" are substituted therefor,
- (f) in paragraph (3) of Article fifty-nine thereof, the words from

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and including the words "at a place selected by the Douzaine" to and including the words "ballot papers at the polling station" are repealed and the following words are substituted therefor –

"at each polling station which shall be established by the Constables in accordance with the provisions of the next following Article and shall give notice of such date and of the location of each such polling station by means of an announcement in the "Gazette Officielle", and shall be responsible for the supply of ballot papers at each such polling station.",<sup>2</sup>

(g) Article sixty thereof is repealed and the following Article is substituted therefor –

## "Polling Stations.

60. Where at any election a secret ballot is demanded as aforesaid, the Constables of the Parish concerned shall provide for the establishment of a polling station therein and may provide for the establishment of such additional polling stations therein as they may deem to be convenient to the electorate.".

#### NOTE

In section 1, paragraph (a) and paragraph (b) were repealed by the Reform (Election of Conseillers and Minor Amendments) (Guernsey) Law, 1993, section 18(2), with effect from 30th June, 1993, subject to the application provision in section 22(2) of the 1993 Law.

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2. In section five of the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1972<sup>c</sup>, the words "twelve days" are hereby repealed and the words "five days" are hereby substituted therefor.

## Saving.

3. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Law, where, before the day of coming into force of this Law, notice of the date and place of an election has been duly given in accordance with the provisions of the principal Law and such date falls on or after the day of coming into force of this Law, the provisions of the principal Law shall continue to apply in relation to that election in all respects as if this Law had not been enacted.

## Citation and collective title.

- **4.** (1) This Law may be cited as the Reform (Amendment) (Guernsey) Law, 1978.
- (2) This Law and the Reform (Guernsey) Laws, 1948 to 1975, may be cited together as the Reform (Guernsey) Laws, 1948 to 1978.

#### **NOTE**

The Law received Royal Sanction on 9th February, 1978 and was registered on the Records of the Island of Guernsey on 21st March, 1978.

For subsequent amendments, see the consolidated text of the Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1978.

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c Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXIII, p. 476.

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