

Report of the Business Committee on the proposed amendments to Standing Orders 15 and 24

Purpose

1. The Business Committee has considered and approved the attached proposed amendments to Standing Orders 15 and 24.
2. The amendments have been proposed by the Subordinate Legislation Committee following its Inquiry into the Scrutiny of Subordinate Legislation and Delegated Powers. It would change the name of the Committee to the 'Constitutional Affairs Committee', reflecting its wide role under Standing Order 15. This does not change the remit or powers of the Committee.

Proposal

3. The Business Committee agreed the proposed amendments on 19 January 2010 and the Assembly is invited to approve the proposal.

**Business Committee Secretariat
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Annex A

Standing Order 15 - ~~Subordinate Legislation Committee~~ Constitutional Affairs Committee

15.1 There is to be a ~~Subordinate Legislation Committee~~ Constitutional Affairs Committee.

Annex B

Standing Order 24 - Subordinate Legislation (Other than Subordinate Legislation Subject to Special Assembly Procedures)

24.6 No motion under Standing order 24.4 may be considered in plenary until either:

(i) the ~~Subordinate Legislation Committee~~ Constitutional Affairs Committee or any other committee, which has given the notice mentioned in Standing Order 24.7, has reported on the instrument or draft; or

(ii) 20 days have elapsed since the instrument or draft instrument was laid

24.7 If any committee, other than the ~~Subordinate Legislation Committee~~ Constitutional Affairs Committee, intends to report on an instrument or draft instrument to which Standing Order 24.4 applies, it must give notice to the government of its intention to do so no later than seven days after the instrument or draft has been laid.

