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Our Island: A Special Place to live and work



Legislation Programme 2019/20

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To: The Hon Stephen Rodan OBE MLC, President of Tynwald, and the Hon Council and Keys in Tynwald assembled.

Foreword by the Hon Howard Quayle MHK, Chief Minister



I am pleased to present the Government's Legislative Programme for 2019/20. The Programme sets out the priorities for primary legislation for the forthcoming legislative session. The successful delivery of the Programme continues and is aligned to our commitments within the Programme for Government. The Programme must also be adaptive, so that we are able to respond to opportunities and challenges as they arise. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the work of the Legislation Sub-Committee, Chaired by Minister Thomas, in overseeing the progress and delivery of the Programme.

Hon Howard Quayle MHK Chief Minister

Foreword by the Chair of the Legislation Sub-Committee



I commend this carefully crafted Legislative Programme to Tynwald Court. Whilst doing so I congratulate and thank colleagues throughout Government and in the Attorney General's Chambers for their engagement to make sure legislative drafting resources have been allocated, and Tynwald time will be used, according to the social, environmental and economic priorities set out in the Programme for Government. Delivering this ambitious suite of new and amending legislation will be challenging, but is necessary for our Island and society.

Hon Chris Thomas MHK Minister for Policy and Reform

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1. Primary legislation expected to be introduced into Branches between October and December 2019:

Name of Bill	Sponsoring Department	Introduction into Branches	Purpose
Limitation (Childhood Abuse) Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	October 2019	Removes the limitation period for the very specific class of childhood abuse cases and facilitates access to justice.
Education Bill	Education, Sport and Culture	October 2019	To consolidate previous legislation and introduce provisions to support developments in the field of education.
Regulation of Care (Amendment) Bill	Health and Social Care	October 2019	To amend the Regulation of Care Act 2013 with the effect of exempting agencies providing temporary medical and nursing staff from registration under the Act.
Children and Young Persons (Amendment) Bill	Health and Social Care	October 2019	As a result of the consultation on the Safeguarding Act 2018 and relevant Regulations. To place the Child Death Overview Panel on a statutory footing.
Domestic Abuse Bill	Home Affairs	October 2019	To make fresh provision about domestic abuse. (This was originally part of Phase 1 of the Criminal Justice Reform project).
Douglas Bay Tramway (Amendment) Bill	Infrastructure	October 2019	Amend various powers contained within the Douglas Bay Tramway Act 1876 to ensure the current and future operation of the tramway is on a secure legal footing.
Road Traffic Legislation (Amendment) Bill	Infrastructure	October 2019	To amend legislation following Legislative Council committee recommendations.
Administration of Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	Home Affairs	November 2019	Phase 1 - Criminal Justice Reform: to reform legislation dealing with criminal justice, sentencing and offender management.
Income Tax Bill	Treasury	November 2019	Rolling annual item to amend Income Tax legislation.
Financial Intelligence Unit (Amendment Bill)	Attorney General's Chambers	November 2019	To make changes to the strategic governance of the FIU in line with proposals from the Egmont Group.
Registration of Business Names (Amendment) Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	November 2019	To regularise the registration of business names used by companies established under the Companies Act 2006.
Contempt of Court Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	December 2019	To place on a statutory footing provisions relating to contempt of Court.

Investigatory Powers (Data Encryption) Bill	Home Affairs & Attorney General's Chambers	December 2019	Arising from concerns on the part of the Isle of Man Constabulary regarding the ability to secure evidence on mobile devices which have been seized during investigations.
Administration of Justice and other Amendments Bill	Treasury	December 2019	Phase 1 - Civil Debt Recovery: to provide for a debtors register and for connected purposes.
Companies Act Amendment Bill	Treasury	December 2019	To amend provisions to enable a 2006 Act company to re- register under the Companies Act 1931, and other provisions in relation to MONEYVAL report compliance.
Medicines (Amendment) Bill	Health and Social Care	December 2019	To provide powers to make regulations to control, restrict regulate or prohibit the administration of medicinal products and to bring the legislation up to date with recognised best practice in the field of medicine regulation.
International Maritime Standards Bill	Infrastructure	December 2019	To ensure the Isle of Man is compliant with International Maritime Organisation Standards.

2. Primary Legislation expected for progression through drafting in the next legislative session, with aim to introduce before June 2020:

Title	Department	Introduction into Branches	Purpose
International Co-operation (Protection from Liability) Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	January 2020	Arising from concern among the Attorney Generals of the Crown Dependencies and the UK regarding liability when acting on a request from another jurisdiction under international co- operation arrangements.
Registration of Electors (Amendment) Bill	Cabinet Office	February 2020	Phase 1 - Electoral Reform: focused on the franchise and electoral registration (Registration of Electors Act 2006).
Elections (Keys and Local Authorities) Bill	Cabinet Office	February 2020	Phase 2 - Electoral Reform: amends legislation in respect of elections.
Information Commissioner Bill	Cabinet Office	February 2020	To ensure the Isle of Man continues to be compliant with GDPR and to establish the Information Commissioner's Office as a statutory entity.
Local Government	Infrastructure	February 2020	To amend known deficiencies in legislation and to adhere to

(Amendment) Bill			previous Parliamentary Committee recommendations.
Statute Law Revision Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	April 2020	To make minor typographical and procedural corrections to a number of statutes.
Rating and Valuation Bill	Cabinet Office/Treasury	May 2020	To modernise legislation for rating valuation and collection.
National Health and Care Bill	Health and Social Care/Cabinet Office	June 2020	Framework legislation to enable Manx Care
Climate Change Bill	Environment, Food and Agriculture	June 2020	To introduce legislation to enable the Island to reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2050 in line with the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report.
Penalty Fare Bill	Infrastructure	June 2020	To enable penalty fares to be levied on public transport.
Licensing Bill	Home Affairs	June 2020	To repeal and replace existing law in relation to licensing of the sale of alcohol and in respect of licensing music and dancing.
Trusts (Amendment) Bill	Treasury	June 2020	To reform Trusts Law and increase the competitive advantage of the Trusts Sector in the Isle of Man.
Public Sector Payments Bill	Treasury	June 2020	To replace the Payment of Members Expenses Act 1989 to clarify, regulate and expand on existing payment regimes.
Competition Bill	Office of Fair Trading	June 2020	To provide for a modern framework of competition law suitable for a small economy.
Landlord Registration (Private Housing) Bill	Infrastructure	June 2020	To introduce mandatory registration of landlords and their properties, and enable effective enforcement of minimum standards specifically for Landlord registration.
Estate Agents (Amendment) Bill	Office of Fair Trading	June 2020	To make amendments to address deficiencies in legislation specifically for Estate Agent qualifications.

Note: Bills within Programme may be subject to reprioritisation to accommodate other national policy priorities requiring primary legislation.