

## **Programme for Government**

## **Our Island: A Special Place to live and work**



**Legislation Programme 2020-2021** 

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### **Council of Ministers**

## **Legislative Programme 2020-2021**

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 2020-2021. 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 the Minister for Policy and Reform, 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 the Programme to Tynwald Court. We should acknowledge and thank colleagues throughout Government and the Attorney General's Chambers for their consistent attention to making sure that legislative drafting resources are available in order that the Programme be realistic and deliverable in this final year of the Administration. We should also note that the Programme is adaptive, therefore responding through legislation to the ever changing global and local social, environmental and economic priorities.

Hon Ray Harmer MHK Minister for Policy and Reform

# **Legislation Programme for 2020-2021**

Name of Bill	Sponsoring Department	Introduction into Branches	Purpose
Climate Change Bill	Environment, Food and Agriculture	October 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.
Competition Bill	Office of Fair Trading	October 2020	To provide for a modern framework of competition law suitable for a small economy.
Courts, Tribunals and Local Authority Procedures and Misc. Provisions Bill 2020	Cabinet Office	October 2020	To amend the Criminal Justice Police and Courts Act 2007, the Police Powers and Procedures Act 1998 and the Public Health Act 1990; the vacation of Departmental facilities, Local Authority meetings and casual vacancies; and for connected purposes.
Justice Reform Bill	Home Affairs	October 2020	To reform legislation dealing with criminal justice co- operation between agencies, sentencing, the Courts (e.g. sentencing powers of High Bailiff, procedures, costs), Jury reforms in connection with Report of Select Committee of Tynwald, modernisation of terminology, further reform of Criminal Code 1872 & miscellaneous repeals and replacements with language fit for 21st century.
Statute Law Revision Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	October 2020	To make minor typographical and procedural corrections to a number of statutes.
Administration of Justice and other Amendments Bill	Treasury	November 2020	Civil Debt Recovery; to provide for a debtors register and for connected purposes.
Beneficial Ownership (Amendment) Bill	Cabinet Office	November 2020	To amend the Beneficial Ownership Act 2017 in order to comply with Moneyval recommendations.

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Civil Contingencies Bill 2020	Cabinet Office	November 2020	To make fresh provision about civil contingencies; to amend the Criminal Justice Police and Courts Act 2007, the Police Powers and Procedures Act 1998 and the Public Health Act 1990; to make provision in respect of licensing, the use of information, the vacation of Departmental facilities, Local Authority meetings and casual vacancies; and for connected purposes.
Companies Act (Amendment) Bill	Treasury	November 2020	To enable companies incorporated under the 2006 Companies Act to re-register under the 1918 Companies Act. To amend various companies legislation in accordance with MoneyVal recommendations.
Contempt of Court Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	November 2020	To place on a statutory footing provisions relating to contempt of Court.
Douglas Bay Tramway (Amendment) Bill	Infrastructure	November 2020	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.
Landlord Registration (Private Housing) Bill	Infrastructure	November 2020	To introduce mandatory registration of landlords and their properties.
Regulation of Surveillance (Amendment) Bill	Home Affairs & Attorney General's Chambers	November 2020	Arising from concerns on the part of the Constabulary regarding the ability to secure evidence on mobile devices which have been seized during investigations.
Wayleaves Bill	Manx Utilities	November 2020	To amend the Electricity Act 1996 to provide enhanced powers with respect to wayleaves and easements including telecoms infrastructure.
Airports and Civil Aviation (Amendment) Bill	Enterprise	December 2020	To provide for the exercise of discretion under secondary legislation and to ensure that the Island fulfils its International obligations.
Criminal Courts Bill	Home Affairs	December 2020	Phase 2 Criminal Justice Reform Project. To restate and restructure the law relating to the Island's criminal courts.

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Gas Regulation (Amendment) Bill	Cabinet Office & Infrastructure	December 2020	To amend the Gas Regulation Act 1995 to reallocate the power to fix the tariffs in accordance with which a public gas supplier will charge prices for the supply of gas by it, and for connected purposes.
Local Government (Amendment) Bill	Infrastructure	December 2020	To amend known deficiencies in legislation and to adhere to previous Parliamentary Committee recommendations.
Licensing Bill	Home Affairs	January 2021	To repeal and replace existing law in relation to licensing of the sale of alcohol and in respect of licensing music and dancing licensing music and dancing with modern legislation fit for the 21st century.
Adoption (Amendment) Bill	Health and Social Care	February 2021	To amend legislation to bring into line with best practice.
Capacity Bill	Health and Social Care	February 2021	To introduce legislation to create clear legal provisions to support and protect people who may lack capacity.
International Co-operation (Protection from Liability) Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	February 2021	Reflects a decision taken by the Law Officers of the three Crown Dependencies that responsible authorities in their respective jurisdictions should be able to rely upon the accuracy of information provided by authorities in requesting states in international co-operation cases.
Trusts (Amendment) Bill	Treasury	February 2021	To reform Trusts Law and increase the competitive advantage of the Trusts Sector in the Isle of Man.
Animal Welfare Bill	Environment, Food and Agriculture	March 2021	To amend existing legislation to introduce and modernise provision for the welfare of animals.  Required to comply with international standards. To provide enabling powers for the application of UK and EU legislation relating to the welfare of companion animals, and to make specific provision regarding hares.
Financial Intelligence Unit (Amendment) Bill	Attorney General's Chambers	June 2021	To make changes to the strategic governance of the FIU in line with proposals from the Egmont Group.

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Tynwald Commissioner for	Cabinet Office	June 2021	To affect technical amendments following review of
Administration (Amendment)			operation of the Tynwald Commissioner for Administration
Bill			role.

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