
ISLE OF MAN CONSTITUTION BILL 2023

Explanatory Memorandum

1. This Bill is promoted by Hon. Lawrie Hooper, MHK.
2. *Clause 1* provides for the short title of the Bill.
3. *Clause 2* provides for the Bill's construction as part of the canon of Isle of Man Constitution Acts. The Bill, if passed, will commence once it receives assent.
4. *Clause 3* provides that the Lord Bishop of Sodor and Man while continuing to be a member of Tynwald and the Council will cease to be a voting member or be counted in the necessary quorum to validate proceedings in either body.
5. Statement of Financial Consequences: No financial consequences have been identified.
6. In the opinion of the member moving the Bill its provisions are compatible with the Convention rights within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 2001.
7. The long title of the Bill in Gaelg is:
Billey ta kiarail nagh bee cair ec yn Aspick arragh dy votal Tinvaal ny ayns y Choonceil Slattyssagh agh dy jean eh yn olteynys echey jeu y reayll



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- 1 **A BILL** to provide that the Lord Bishop shall remain a member of Tynwald and
2 the Council but shall cease to have voting rights in Tynwald or in the Council

BE IT ENACTED by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Council and Keys in Tynwald assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

3 **1 Short title**

4 The short title of this Act is the Isle of Man Constitution Act 2023.

5 **2 Citation and construction**

6 This Act shall be construed as one with the Isle of Man Constitution Acts 1919 to
7 1971, and those Acts and this Act may together be cited as the Isle of Man
8 Constitution Acts 1919 to 2023.

9 **3 Bishop not to vote in Tynwald or the Council**

10 (1) The Bishop shall cease to have the right to vote either in Tynwald or in
11 the Council, but shall continue to be a member of both bodies with the
12 same right to speak in both bodies as before this Act.

13 (2) The presence of the Bishop at a sitting of Tynwald or of the Council shall
14 not reckon towards the constitution of a quorum of either body.
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IN THE KEYS

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A **BILL** to provide that the Lord Bishop shall remain a member of Tynwald and the Council but shall cease to have voting rights in Tynwald or in the Council

Introduced pursuant to leave granted
by the Keys under Standing Order 4.4
on 7 November 2023

MR HOOPER

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