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PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

The year 2007 is a momentous year for Hong Kong. We witnessed the 10th Anniversary of the Reunification of Hong Kong with the Motherland. As President of the Legislative Council since the Reunification, I am pleased that over the past decade, the Council performed its duties effectively and efficiently in accordance with the Basic Law.

The 2006-2007 session of the Third Legislative Council was yet another eventful and challenging year. During the session, 22 new government bills were introduced. Of these, 10 were passed. Together with nine other government bills carried forward from the previous two sessions, a total of 19 bills were enacted in this session. Three Members' bills were introduced during the session, of which two were passed. In addition, one Member's bill carried forward from the previous session was also passed. A total of 203 items of subsidiary legislation were presented to the Council, of which six were amended and one repealed. Two items are still being scrutinized by subcommittees of the Council.

Among the bills passed, one that attracted heated debate was the Rail Merger Bill, which set out the legislative framework for the implementation of the merger of the Mass Transit Railway and Kowloon-Canton Railway systems. The Bill was intensively debated for more than 24 hours and was eventually passed on 8 June 2007.

Other bills that aroused much public concern included the Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005 and the Housing (Amendment) Bill 2007. The former aimed to tighten the control on smoking, while the latter sought to replace the statutory median rent-to-income ratio cap with a rent adjustment framework according to changes in public rental housing tenants'

household income.

Another issue worthy of note was the publication of a Green Paper on Constitutional Development by the Administration to consult the public on the models, roadmap and timetable for electing the Chief Executive and for forming the Legislative Council by universal suffrage. It marks a significant milestone of Hong Kong's constitutional development. It is expected that the Council will be confronted with heated debates on the issue in the year ahead.

In regard to the executive-legislature relationship, regrettably, I note that a trend of "polarization" has emerged between the Administration and some Members due to a lack of mutual trust. I strongly urge both Members and government officials to strengthen their communication and cooperation. As the new team of the Administration seems to be more willing to attend Panel and Committee meetings, I am optimistic that the relationship will improve.

I am delighted that the Administration has issued a Letter of Intent to one of the four tenderers for the design-and-build contract of the Tamar Development Project, which includes the new Legislative Council Complex. The target is to complete the construction works in late 2010. As Chairman of The Legislative Council Commission, I will strive to ensure that the new Complex reflects the image of high transparency of the Legislative Council and provides Members and Secretariat staff with a modern yet dignified working environment which is conducive to efficiency.

It is with deep regret that I record the passing of the Honourable MA Lik, who served as a Member of the Legislative Council from October 2004 to August 2007. Mr MA will be fondly remembered for his contribution to the legislature and to Hong Kong.

Finally, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all staff of the Legislative Council Secretariat for their invaluable support during the session. Despite the pressure brought on by a heavy workload, staff of the Secretariat soldiered on to perform their duties with professionalism and dedication.

The forthcoming session will be the last session of the Third Legislative Council. It is envisaged that Members will be intensely engaged with the scrutiny of bills. Again, I call upon the Administration to introduce legislative proposals as early as possible so that Members can have sufficient time for scrutiny. At any rate, I am sure that my colleagues will continue to fulfill their responsibilities to serve in the best interests of the people of Hong Kong.

The next session will also be the last session for me as President of the Legislative Council, as I have already decided not to run for re-election next year. Notwithstanding this, I pledge to continue to discharge my duties wholeheartedly without fear or favour.

The Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) stipulates that the HKSAR shall be vested with legislative power and the Legislative Council is the legislature of the Region.

POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

As provided for in Article 73 of the Basic Law, the Legislative Council of the HKSAR exercises the following powers and functions:

- ♦ To enact, amend or repeal laws in accordance with the provisions of the Basic Law and legal procedures;
- ♦ To examine and approve budgets introduced by the Government;
- ♦ To approve taxation and public expenditure;
- ♦ To receive and debate the policy addresses of the Chief Executive;
- ♦ To raise questions on the work of the Government;
- ♦ To debate any issue concerning public interests;
- ♦ To endorse the appointment and removal of the judges of the Court of Final Appeal and the Chief Judge of the High Court;
- ♦ To receive and handle complaints from Hong Kong residents;
- ♦ If a motion initiated jointly by one-fourth of all the Members of the Legislative Council charges the Chief Executive with serious breach of law or dereliction of duty and if he or she refuses to resign, the Council may, after passing a motion for investigation, give a mandate to the Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal to form and chair an independent investigation committee. The committee shall be responsible for carrying out the investigation and reporting

its findings to the Council. If the committee considers the evidence sufficient to substantiate such charges, the Council may pass a motion of impeachment by a two-thirds majority of all its Members and report it to the Central People's Government for decision; and

- ♦ To summon, as required when exercising the above-mentioned powers and functions, persons concerned to testify or give evidence.

COMPOSITION

According to the Basic Law, the Legislative Council of the HKSAR is to be constituted by election. There are 60 Members for the Third Legislative Council (2004-2008), with 30 Members returned by geographical constituencies through direct elections and 30 Members by functional constituencies. The election for the Third Legislative Council was held on 12 September 2004 and the term of office is four years.

The President of the Legislative Council is elected by and from among Members of the Legislative Council.

The composition and biographies of Members who served on the Legislative Council in the 2006-2007 session are in *Appendices 1 and 2* respectively.

Meetings of the Legislative Council are open to the public. They may be conducted in either Cantonese, English or Putonghua, with simultaneous interpretation provided. The proceedings of the meetings of the Council are broadcast live and are reported by the mass media. They are also recorded verbatim in the Official Record of Proceedings of the Meetings of the Legislative Council, which is accessible through the Legislative Council's website.

The business transacted at a regular Council meeting mainly comprises tabling of subsidiary legislation and other papers and reports; asking of questions for replies by the Government; consideration of bills; and debates on motions. During the period from October 2006 to July 2007, the Council held 37 meetings and sat for more than 349 hours.

TABLING OF SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION AND OTHER PAPERS

Subsidiary legislation is any proclamation, rule, regulation, order, resolution, notice, rule of court, bylaw or other instruments made by the designated authorities under or by virtue of the relevant ordinances. It is subject to the scrutiny of the Council, which may be through either the negative vetting procedure or the positive vetting procedure.

Subsidiary legislation scrutinized through the negative vetting procedure is first published in the Gazette and then laid on the table of the Council at its meetings. Where considered necessary, the Council's House Committee may set up a subcommittee to study the subsidiary legislation in detail. A Member or a public officer may, within a prescribed time limit, move a motion in Council to seek the Council's agreement to amend the content of or repeal an item of subsidiary legislation that has

been tabled.

During the 2006-2007 session, 203 items of subsidiary legislation were tabled in Council for scrutiny. Among them, six were amended and one repealed by resolution of the Council. Another two items are still being scrutinized by subcommittees formed by the House Committee. One technical memorandum was tabled in Council for scrutiny and was amended by resolution of the Council.

The scrutiny by the Council of subsidiary legislation through the positive vetting procedure is described later in this chapter, under Motions.

Other papers tabled at Council meetings include the annual reports of Government departments and public bodies, Government consultative documents, and reports of the Council's committees. Members and public officers presenting the reports may address the Council.

QUESTIONS

Any Member may address questions to the Government on its work for the purpose of either seeking information on such matter or asking for official action with regard to it. The Member specifies whether an oral or a written reply is required.

During the period under report, Members asked a total of 167 oral questions on a wide range of subjects at Council meetings, and followed up with 951 supplementary questions. Another 470 questions seeking written replies by the Government were also asked.

STATEMENTS

Statements may be made by Government officials on issues of public concern at Council meetings. During the period under report, the Chief Secretary for Administration made a statement on the "Green Paper on Constitutional Development" at the Council meeting of 11 July 2007.

BILLS

The Government is primarily responsible for proposing new legislation or amendments to existing legislation, in the form of bills which are considered by the Council for enactment. Subject to meeting certain conditions, Members of the Council may also introduce bills into the Council.

Broadly speaking, bills have one or more of the following purposes:

- ♦ To introduce new measures or policies, to create new organizations or institutions, or to make changes to existing organizations or institutions;
- ♦ To extend the scope of existing legislation;
- ♦ To improve and update existing legislation;
- ♦ To modify or reform the machinery of Government; or
- ♦ To appropriate funds for public expenditure and to raise revenue.

A bill is first published in the Gazette before it is introduced into the Council. It has to be given three readings for its passage by the Council. The First Reading is a formality, with the Clerk reading the short title of a bill at a Council meeting. The Second Reading of the bill starts with the public officer or Member who introduces the bill moving the motion "That the bill be read the second time" and explaining the purpose of the bill. Usually, after the motion has been moved, the debate on it is adjourned and the bill is referred to the House Committee to allow Members more time to study it, either in the House Committee or in a bills committee set up by the House Committee specifically for it.

The debate on the Second Reading resumes at a subsequent Council meeting after the bill has been studied. During the debate, Members present their views on the principles and merits of the bill and may indicate their support or otherwise. A vote is then taken by the Council on the motion "That the bill be read the second time". If the motion is not passed, the bill cannot proceed further. If it is passed, the bill is given a Second Reading, and the Council will then sit as a committee of the whole Council during which the committee goes through the clauses of the bill, making amendments where agreed to by the committee. After the bill has passed through the committee of the whole Council with or without amendments, it is reported back to the Council for it to consider whether to support the passage of the bill by giving it the Third Reading.

When a bill has been given three readings, it becomes a piece of enacted law. Unless a later date has been specified, it may take effect after it is signed by the Chief Executive and promulgated in the Gazette.

Where the Council considers that the passage of a bill is sufficiently urgent, it may proceed with the Second Reading debate on the bill at the meeting at which the bill is introduced. If the bill receives its Second Reading, the Council may proceed to the remaining stages at the same meeting.

During the period under report, 25 new bills were introduced. The Council completed proceedings on 22 bills which were all passed, 14 of which with amendments. A list of the bills passed is in *Appendix 3*.

MOTIONS

Motions are the mechanism through which most of the Council's business is transacted. The

processing of a bill is by way of a series of motions moved, debated and voted upon by the Council at various stages. Amendments to bills and the approval of or amendments to subsidiary legislation are also effected by way of motions.

Regarding subsidiary legislation which is scrutinized by the Council through the positive vetting procedure, the process starts with a public officer or a Member giving notice of a motion, to be moved at a future Council meeting, to make or amend an item of subsidiary legislation. The proposed motion is then studied by the House Committee, which may decide to set up a subcommittee to study it in detail. Where Members consider it necessary, they may move amendments to the motion. During the period under report, public officers moved a total of 21 motions to either make or amend subsidiary legislation through the positive vetting procedure, and all were passed. A total of 12 amendments were moved by Members to three of these motions, and all were negatived.

Apart from those relating to subsidiary legislation, motions may be moved by Members to exercise the Council's power under the Basic Law, to amend the Council's Rules of Procedure, or to invoke the Council's powers under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance, Cap. 382. During the report period, the Council passed two motions to amend the Rules of Procedure and one motion to amend the names and terms of reference of some of the existing 18 Panels in the light of the re-organization of the Government Secretariat.

POLICY ADDRESS DEBATE

The Chief Executive addresses the Council in every Legislative Council session on his policy proposals for administering the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. At a meeting held after the Chief Executive has delivered his Policy Address, a motion is moved by the Chairman of

the House Committee to thank the Chief Executive for his Address (Motion of Thanks). A debate then follows, with Members offering their comments on the Policy Address and public officers responding to these comments. During the session, the Chief Executive delivered his Policy Address on 11 October 2006 and Members and Government officials debated the Motion of Thanks for three days on 25, 26 and 27 October 2006. The debate was divided into five debate sessions each of which covered several related policy areas.

BUDGET DEBATE

Shortly before a financial year ends at the end of March, the Financial Secretary presents to the Council his Budget for the next financial year which commences on 1 April each year, in the form of an Appropriation Bill and the Estimates, which are followed closely by legislative measures for implementing the Government's revenue proposals. These set out the Government's annual revenue and expenditure proposals for the following financial year. Legislative measures required for implementing the revenue proposals are presented in the form of bills or subsidiary legislation. After the proposed estimates of expenditure have been examined by the Finance Committee at its special meetings, the Appropriation Bill is brought back into the Council for consideration and decision. For the 2007-2008 Budget, the Financial Secretary introduced the Appropriation Bill 2007 on 28 February 2007. The debate on the Budget took place on 28 and 29 March and 18 April 2007. The Appropriation Bill 2007 was passed on 18 April 2007.

OTHER DEBATES

All motions moved at Council meetings are debated and voted upon. Apart from motions with legislative or binding effect, Members also debate motions which do not have such effect. Such debates provide opportunities for Members to express their views on issues of public interest and for public officers to respond to them. During the period under report, the Council debated

55 such motions moved by Members. Among these, 38 were passed with or without amendment and 17 were negatived. These motions and the decisions of the Council on them are in *Appendix 4*.

Where a Member wishes to raise a topic for debate in Council but does not wish to formulate a motion in express terms, an adjournment debate may be proposed for Members to simply express their opinions on the topic and to elicit a response from the Government. One motion for adjournment was moved during the period under report. At the Council meeting on 13 December 2006, Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG moved a motion to adjourn the Council for the purpose of debating the demolition of the Star Ferry Pier clock tower.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSIONS

During the session, four meetings of the Council were held during which the Chief Executive addressed the Council and answered questions put to him by Members.

Through a system of committees, Members perform the critical roles of scrutinizing bills, controlling public expenditure, and monitoring the work of the Government. There are three standing committees, namely the Finance Committee, Public Accounts Committee and Committee on Members' Interests. The House Committee co-ordinates matters relating to the business to be considered at Council meetings and monitors the progress on the study of bills and subsidiary legislation. The scrutiny of bills which require more in-depth study is done through bills committees, which report their deliberations to the House Committee upon completion of their work. Panels are committees which monitor and examine policy issues. There are 18 panels whose formation and terms of reference are approved by the Council on the recommendation of the House Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee consists of all Members of the Council except the President. The chairman and deputy chairman of the Committee are elected by and from among its members.

The Finance Committee is vested with the responsibility of scrutinizing and approving public expenditure proposals submitted by the Financial Secretary. Each year, upon the presentation of the Appropriation Bill to the Council, the President refers the Estimates of Expenditure to the Finance Committee for its examination. Special meetings are held for the purpose. After the passage of the Appropriation Bill, any changes to the approved Estimates are put to the Finance Committee for its approval. The Finance Committee meets on most Fridays to consider these proposals or to note financial implications of new policies.

During the 2006-2007 session, the Finance Committee held 24 regular meetings and examined a total of 52 items of proposals. 17 of these items contained 90 proposals which had been considered and supported by the Finance Committee's two subcommittees, namely the Establishment Subcommittee and the Public Works Subcommittee.

The Establishment Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Government's proposals for the creation, redeployment, and deletion of permanent and supernumerary directorate posts, and for changes to the structure of civil service grades and ranks. During the session, the subcommittee, consisting of 17 members, held 6 meetings and examined a total of 10 items of proposals put forward by the Government. The membership of the subcommittee is in *Appendix 5*.

The Public Works Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Government's proposals for the upgrading of projects to, or downgrading from, Category A of the Public Works Programme, or changes to the scope and approved estimates of projects already in that Category. During the session, the subcommittee, consisting of 22 members, held 13 meetings and examined a total of 84 items of proposals put forward by the Government. The membership of the subcommittee is in *Appendix 5*.

For the 2007-2008 Estimates, the Finance Committee held a series of six special meetings consisting of 20 sessions from 19 to 22 March 2007. Prior to the special meetings, the Financial Secretary briefed members on the 2007-2008 Budget, while the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury provided further information on the Estimates of Expenditure. 2,715 written questions were then put to the Government for written replies to facilitate deliberation at the special

meetings. A total of 113 supplementary written questions and 32 verbal requests arising from the meetings were further put forward to the Government for additional information.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The Public Accounts Committee is a standing committee of the Council. It is responsible for considering the reports of the Director of Audit on the accounts of the Government and the results of value for money audits on the Government and other organizations which are within the purview of public audit. The committee may call for explanation and obtain evidence from public officers, management staff of public organizations and other relevant persons, if considered necessary.

The committee comprises seven members elected by Members and appointed by the President. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.

During the 2006-2007 session, the committee examined the Director of Audit's Report on the Accounts of the Government for the year ended 31 March 2006 and the Reports on the Results of Value for Money Audits (Reports Nos. 47 and 48). The conclusions and recommendations of the committee are contained in Public Accounts Committee Reports Nos. 47 and 48, which were tabled in Council on 7 February 2007 and 11 July 2007 respectively.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS' INTERESTS

The Committee on Members' Interests is a standing committee of the Council. It considers matters pertaining to Members' declaration of interests and matters of ethics in relation to their conduct, and makes recommendations relating to Members' interests matters. It also examines arrangements for the compilation, maintenance and accessibility of the Register of Members' Interests.

The seven members of the committee are elected by Members and appointed by the President. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The House Committee comprises all Members, except the President, who elect from among themselves the chairman and deputy chairman. While the Legislative Council is in session, the House Committee normally meets weekly and the meetings are open to the public.

The House Committee prepares for meetings of the Council and considers matters relating to the business of the Council. One important function of the House Committee is to deal with bills introduced into the Council and subsidiary legislation tabled in Council or presented to the Council for approval. The House Committee may form bills committees to scrutinize bills, or appoint subcommittees to study subsidiary legislation. The House Committee then monitors progress and studies reports from the bills committees and subcommittees concerned.

The House Committee may refer to the relevant panels for consideration any policy matters relating to the business of the Council. The House Committee may also consider, in such manner as it thinks fit, any other items relating to the business of the Council.

The House Committee also serves as a focal point for establishing a formal and regular dialogue with the Government. The chairman and deputy chairman of the House Committee meet the Chief Secretary for Administration on a regular basis to discuss matters of mutual concern.

During the 2006-2007 session, a total of 32 regular meetings of the House Committee were held.

Other Subcommittees of the House Committee

The House Committee may appoint subcommittees to assist in the consideration of any other items relating to the business of the Council. The following subcommittees were in operation during the 2006-2007 session -

- ♦ Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee;
- ♦ Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions;
- ♦ Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement;
- ♦ Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty;
- ♦ Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Provision of Boarding Places, Senior Secondary Education and Employment Opportunities for Children with Special Educational Needs;
- ♦ Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development;
- ♦ Subcommittee to Study the Transport Needs of and Provision of Concessionary Public Transport Fares for Persons with Disabilities;
- ♦ Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation;
- ♦ Subcommittee on Legislative Amendments Relating to the Proposed Re-organisation of Policy Bureaux of the Government Secretariat; and
- ♦ Subcommittee to Study the Draft Subsidiary Legislation Relating to the Rail Merger.

The memberships of the above subcommittees are in *Appendix 5*.

COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE

The Committee on Rules of Procedure is responsible for reviewing the Rules of Procedure of the Council and the committee system, and for proposing to the Council such amendments or changes

as are considered necessary.

The committee consists of a chairman, a deputy chairman and 10 members appointed by the President in accordance with the recommendations of the House Committee. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.

During the 2006-2007 session, the committee held a total of seven meetings to study a wide range of issues relating to the procedural arrangements of the Council, and the procedures and working mechanism of the committees of the Council.

The committee presented three papers to the House Committee recommending changes to current procedures. The committee also presented a report to the Council on 11 July 2007 summarizing its deliberations on specific issues during the period under report.

BILLS COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES ON SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

The House Committee may allocate bills, except the Appropriation Bill and bills not referred to the House Committee by the Council, to bills committees for detailed scrutiny. All Members, other than the President, may join any bills committee. The chairman of each bills committee is elected from among its members. Government officials and members of the public may be invited to attend its meetings.

A bills committee will consider the principles and merits of the bill concerned as well as its detailed provisions, and may propose amendments relevant to the bill. It may also appoint subcommittees for the purpose of assisting in the performance of its functions. After a bills committee has completed scrutiny of a bill, it will notify the House Committee and advise the committee in

writing of its deliberations. The bills committee will be dissolved on the enactment of the bill concerned or as decided by the House Committee.

During the 2006-2007 session, a total of 25 bills were scrutinized by 25 bills committees. Fourteen of these bills committees completed their scrutiny work and reported to the House Committee. Eleven bills committees are still in action.

A total of 19 subcommittees were set up to consider 28 items of subsidiary legislation and one technical memorandum tabled in Council, two items of subsidiary legislation not required to be tabled in Council, and five proposed resolutions presented by the Government for the Council's approval. The membership of these bills committees and subcommittees are in *Appendix 5*.

Reports of these bills committees and subcommittees are available on the LegCo website at www.legco.gov.hk.

PANELS

Panels are committees of the Council tasked to monitor and examine Government policies. They provide a forum for Members to deliberate on policy matters and study issues relating to the policy areas of their corresponding bureaux, which are of wide public concern. The items for discussion can be brought up by members of the panel, referred to it by the House Committee or other committees, proposed by the Government, or raised by other Members following meetings with District Councils or upon receipt of complaints or representations. Panels also give views on major legislative and financial proposals before their introduction into the Council or Finance Committee respectively. To enhance the effectiveness of panels in scrutinizing such proposals, a series of measures agreed by the House Committee on the recommendation of the Committee on

Rules of Procedure have been put into place to ensure early consultation with the relevant panel(s) on such proposals and to allow more thorough discussion of the policy aspects of the proposals.

A panel may appoint subcommittees to study specific issues and present reports to the Council as it considers appropriate.

Each panel is headed by a chairman elected from amongst its members. Memberships of the 18 panels in the 2006-2007 session and their subcommittees are shown in *Appendix 5*.

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

In response to the request of the panel, the Judiciary reviewed the fees for transcript and record of proceedings and changed the basis for charging transcript fee from "per page" to "per English word and per Chinese character", while only photocopying fee would be payable if the transcripts concerned had already been produced. The fee for the record of proceedings on audio tape was also reduced. The new fees, which allowed litigants to benefit from a more equitable fee charging basis and more affordable fees, were implemented with effect from 1 February 2007.

The panel was briefed on the phased implementation plan of five-day week in the Judiciary and noted that Phase III would cover offices with a public interface. The panel suggested that in deciding whether five-day week should be implemented in court registries/offices, the needs of court users should be seriously considered.

The prevalence of recovery agents remained a major concern of the panel. The panel noted the actions taken or considered by the Administration to enhance the public awareness of the risks of the activities of recovery agents, such as by putting up posters or notices at Government offices where

serious touting activities had been carried out by recovery agents, and broadcasting Announcements of Public Interest on radio and television. However, the panel considered that to safeguard the public interest, the Administration should take prosecution action against recovery agents and introduce legislation if there were difficulties in enforcement under the existing law.

Regarding the comprehensive review of the criminal legal aid fee system, the panel was advised that while the Administration had reached a broad consensus with the legal professional bodies on the proposed structure of the fee system, the review had reached an impasse on the proposed rates. The Law Society of Hong Kong considered the proposed rates offered by the Administration totally unacceptable, as there was no significant improvement to the existing fee system, given that many lawyers at present took up criminal legal aid work on a charitable or pro bono basis. The panel requested the Administration to continue discussion with the legal professional bodies with a view to reaching a mutually acceptable solution.

The panel requested the Administration to take into account the views and suggestions of members and the relevant organizations in conducting the 2007 five-yearly review of the criteria for assessing financial eligibility limits of legal aid applicants. The panel considered that the two existing legal aid schemes did not address the demand of the middle class for legal aid services, and requested the Administration to consider expanding the scope and increasing the financial eligibility limit of the Supplementary Legal Aid Scheme. The Administration agreed to examine whether there was scope for improving the scheme without undermining or jeopardising its financial viability.

One of the proposals in connection with the re-organization of policy bureaux of the Government Secretariat announced by the Chief Executive on 3 May 2007 was to transfer the legal aid portfolio from the Administration Wing of the Chief Secretary for Administration's Office to the Home Affairs

Bureau. Some members expressed grave concern as to whether the proposal would undermine the independence of the Legal Aid Department, and whether the Department would be subject to tighter control under the new set-up in respect of the provision of legal aid in cases against the Government or in respect of the allocation of resources. The panel was informed by the Legal Aid Services Council that it would step up its supervisory role to ensure that the provision of legal aid services was undertaken professionally and objectively without interference after the proposed transfer. Also, the Council would seek a review of its recommendation for the establishment of an independent statutory legal aid authority, which was not accepted by the Administration in 1998. The panel agreed to follow up the matter in the next session.

Panel on Commerce and Industry

The panel continued to monitor the progress of multilateral trade negotiations under the Doha Development Agenda of the World Trade Organization (WTO), and noted that the negotiations had once been suspended and later resumed in February 2007 in view of the WTO membership's general wish to restart the negotiations. Members were pleased to note that Hong Kong had played a constructive role in pushing for the resumption of the talks. Although the success or otherwise of the negotiations lied in the key players making compromise on agricultural market access and domestic farm support, as well as developing economies demonstrating a willingness to open their markets further to imports of services and industrial goods, members urged the Administration to continue to participate actively in the negotiations with a view to achieving a successful conclusion.

The panel was pleased to note that, according to a recent study conducted by the Administration on the impact of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA) on Hong Kong's economy, CEPA had brought about significant economic benefits to Hong Kong.

To help various local industries seize the opportunities of and benefit fully from CEPA, the panel urged the Administration to liaise with the Mainland authorities regarding any implementation problems under CEPA, and to work out measures to provide greater facilitation to local trades.

In view of the increasing regional competition in the area of convention and exhibition services and the rise in the number of exhibition facilities in the neighbouring regions, the panel supported the Administration's measures to strengthen and promote Hong Kong's position as an international convention and exhibition centre. As the hosting of conventions and exhibitions could bring about significant direct economic benefits to the economy in relation to tourism and retail, members were keen to ensure that there was adequate provision of convention and exhibition facilities to meet the demand. To obtain first-hand information on overseas successful experience in the development of convention and exhibition facilities, the panel conducted an overseas duty visit in August 2007 to Dubai, Frankfurt and Las Vegas, which were renowned for their world-class exhibition facilities.

Copyright protection was another major areas of concern. Members noted that further to the introduction of an enhanced and more flexible regime by way of the Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2006, which was passed in the Legislative Council on 27 June 2007, the Administration launched a public consultation exercise on issues relating to copyright protection in the digital environment with the intention of providing a robust copyright protection regime in Hong Kong. Members exchanged views with the Administration on the impact that more stringent copyright protection in the digital environment might have on the free dissemination of information, protection of personal privacy, as well as the daily activities of members of the public. In response to members' concerns, the Administration assured that adequate consultation would be made on all the issues involved before coming up with any implementation plan for consultation with the panel again.

During the session, the panel was consulted on a number of legislative and financial proposals, such as the proposal to implement an electronic customs clearance system for road cargoes which aimed to allow cross-boundary trucks to enjoy seamless customs clearance at land boundary control points, and the funding proposal of \$100 million to support the operation of Hong Kong Design Centre over five years to promote the importance of design and innovation.

Panel on Constitutional Affairs

The panel was briefed on the key electoral arrangements for the third term Chief Executive (CE) election scheduled for 25 March 2007. The panel discussed issues including the venue, polling hours and election forums for the CE election. In response to the panel's concern, the Electoral Affairs Commission agreed to extend the time for the first round of voting in the case of a contested election, and the polling hours in the case of an uncontested election, from one to two hours.

During the session, the panel discussed the models, roadmap and timetable for electing the CE and forming the Legislative Council (LegCo) by universal suffrage. The panel was informed that the Administration would present the different proposals received as three types of options in the Green Paper on Constitutional Development to be published in mid-2007 for a three-month consultation exercise. Some members requested the Administration to extend the consultation period, which coincided with the summer recess of LegCo. Some members considered that any proposals to be included in the Green Paper should be presented in its entirety, and the proposal which received the majority support from the public should be adopted as the mainstream proposal.

On the models for electing the CE by universal suffrage, some members expressed grave concern about suggestions that contenders were required to go through a preliminary selection process

before they could become candidates, as this implied that members of the nominating committee could have a power of veto. On the universal suffrage model for LegCo, some members maintained that retaining functional constituency seats was against the principle of equal and universal suffrage. Regarding the timetable, some members considered that universal suffrage for the CE should precede that for LegCo, while some other members considered that "dual universal suffrage" should be implemented in 2012.

The Chief Executive announced on 3 May 2007 a proposal to re-organize the policy bureaux of the Government Secretariat with effect from 1 July 2007. During the five special meetings held by the panel, members discussed a number of issues pertaining to the proposed re-organization, including the grading and ranking of some individual posts, the titles of some bureaux, and the distribution of some policy portfolios among bureaux under the new set-up. While a number of members supported the proposed re-organization, some other members considered that the Administration should review the Accountability System for Principal Officials before making any proposals to re-organize the existing policy bureaux which were established when the Accountability System was implemented in 2002.

The panel was briefed on the key electoral arrangements for the 2007 District Council (DC) election and consulted on the proposals regarding the printing of names, emblems and photographs on ballot papers, the introduction of a financial assistance scheme for candidates of the DC election, and the election expense limit. Noting that the size of the new ballot papers would be about 70% larger than that of the 2003 DC election, the panel requested the Registration and Electoral Office to conduct careful and thorough testing on the ballot boxes for use in the 2007 DC election.

The panel raised a number of concerns on the Consultation Document on Further Development of

the Political Development System which sought to create new political positions within the Government to strengthen support for Principal Officials. The panel was informed that the actual timing and pace of implementation of the proposals would be subject to, among others, the availability of resources and individuals of the right calibre to fill the new positions.

Panel on Economic Services

During the session, the panel continued to monitor closely the operation of major tourism infrastructure projects, in particular Ngong Ping Skyrail and the Hong Kong Disneyland. Members urged the Mass Transit Railway Corporation Limited (MTRCL) and the Skyrail-ITM (Hong Kong) Limited (Skyrail) to improve reliability of service of the Ngong Ping Skyrail, public notification and contingency arrangements in case of suspension of the cable car service. Following the incident of the falling of a cabin in June 2007, the panel immediately followed up the matter with the Administration, MTRCL and Skyrail. Members supported the immediate suspension of the cable car service and welcomed the appointment of an independent Expert Panel to undertake a full investigation into the incident in order to restore visitors' confidence. Regarding the performance of the Hong Kong Disneyland, the panel regularly reviewed the theme park's marketing and promotion strategies. The panel called on the theme park to increase transparency in operation and provide more information on its financial performance.

The panel welcomed the Administration's plan to develop a new cruise terminal at Kai Tak. To help monitor the development project, the panel conducted an overseas duty visit to Dubai, Barcelona and Los Angeles in August 2007 to obtain first-hand information on how major cruise ports overseas were developed and on their latest developments.

In enhancing consumer protection for Mainland visitors, the panel discussed with organizations of

the travel trade and the retail sector measures for strengthening visitors' confidence in travelling in Hong Kong. The panel passed a motion urging the relevant parties to take concerted efforts in formulating measures and taking enforcement actions in safeguarding the interests of tourists, as well as in tackling problems associated with "zero-/negative-fare tours". The panel also supported the Administration's decision to review consumer protection laws with a view to strengthening enforcement action against misleading and undesirable sales practices.

On airport and aviation services, the panel reviewed with the Administration and the Airport Authority the development projects at the Hong Kong International Airport and the provision of aviation support services. The panel supported the proposals to replace the existing air traffic control system and develop a new integrated headquarters for the Civil Aviation Department on the Airport Island. Members also took the opportunity to urge the Administration to enhance airspace management and ensure the adequate provision of professional personnel for air traffic management service.

The panel was briefed on the annual tariff revision plans by the two power companies. Members called on the Administration to tighten its regulatory control over the power companies in meeting public expectations for reasonable and stable tariffs. With a view to enhancing market competition, the Administration was urged to implement increased interconnection between the two power companies and expedite liberalization of the electricity market.

The panel attached great importance to the promotion of fair competition and free market discipline in Hong Kong and discussed with the Administration issues related to the introduction of a general cross-sector competition law. Members considered it necessary for the Administration to continue engaging small and medium-sized enterprises to address their concerns and ensure that the new law

would balance the interests of relevant stakeholders. The panel also discussed with the Administration and representatives from major auto-fuel suppliers on measures to enhance competition in the local auto-fuel market. Members took the opportunity to urge auto-fuel suppliers to reduce their pump prices once there was room for downward adjustment.

Panel on Education

Arising from the allegations made by the former Vice President of the Hong Kong Institute of Education concerning interference in the Institute's academic freedom and institutional autonomy by senior Government official(s), the panel held a series of meetings to examine the issue from a wider perspective and received views from academics, organizations and student unions. The panel proposed the appointment of a select committee by LegCo to inquire into the matter. The proposal was considered but voted down by the House Committee. The panel thereafter followed up the matter at its regular meetings, and identified seven major areas for detailed examination.

The panel welcomed the Administration's initiative to subsidize early childhood education by way of a voucher system beginning from the 2007-2008 school year. Members, however, were concerned that the criteria for only local non-profit-making kindergartens or kindergarten-cum-child care centres which charged fees not more than \$24,000 per student per annum to be eligible for redeeming the voucher would limit parental choice of kindergartens. The panel supported the Administration's subsequent proposal to provide a three-year transitional period to all kindergartens which satisfied the prescribed requirements to redeem the vouchers.

The panel continued to monitor the preparatory work for the new academic structure for senior secondary education and higher education. Members noted the various support measures for the introduction of Liberal Studies as a core subject, including the establishment by the Hong Kong

Examinations and Assessment Authority of the level descriptors and sample examination papers for Liberal Studies. The Authority assured members that the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education would be comparable to the Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination and the Hong Kong Advanced Level Examination in terms of its recognition by overseas institutions for admission purpose.

The panel supported the setting up of an Academy for Gifted Education to provide more structured and articulated programmes for students aged 10 to 18 with exceptional talent in specific areas. Members noted that the Academy would specialize in providing off-site programmes in collaboration with tertiary institutions and professional bodies for the exceptionally gifted. Members urged the Administration to ensure that no gifted students would be denied access to the programmes due to financial reasons.

The panel was briefed by the consultant of the Study on Small Class Teaching on his interim findings. Members questioned the validity of the observation about insufficient evidence to demonstrate that students in small classes fared better than their counterparts in regular classes, as such an observation was at variance with the experience of the schools participating in the Study. As the Chief Executive had pledged to implement small class teaching if he was re-elected, the panel wrote to him to seek information on the implementation timetable. Members were advised that the Chief Executive was fully committed to fulfilling his pledge, and would ensure that the Administration, with the benefit of the Study which was due for completion in 2008, would promptly map out the way forward.

Panel on Environmental Affairs

Air pollution was high on the agenda of the panel in the 2006-2007 legislative session. Given the

deteriorating air quality, members considered that there was an imminent need to review Hong Kong's Air Quality Objectives, develop a long-term air quality management strategy and, in particular, tackle the two major emission sources within Hong Kong - power plants and vehicles. Members supported the Administration's move to impose emission caps on power plants in the renewal of the Specified Process Licence and to link their permitted rate of return to their achievement of the emission caps. They also supported the Emissions Trading Pilot Scheme for Thermal Power Plants in the Pearl River Delta Region which aimed to mitigate air pollution within the region. There was however concern about the lack of implementation details, including the emission caps for individual power plants, liability of the buyer should the seller fail to deliver the contracted emission credits, etc. Moreover, Members considered that the Emission Trading Pilot Scheme should be extended to cover also other industries. In respect of vehicular emissions, the panel welcomed the proposals to make it mandatory for long idling pre-Euro heavy diesel vehicles to be retrofitted with emission reduction devices and to introduce incentive schemes to encourage early replacement of more polluting vehicles, but stressed the need for disincentives to deter the continued use of polluting vehicles.

The panel noted that since the implementation of the charging scheme for the disposal of construction waste in December 2005, there was a significant drop in the average quantity of construction waste disposed of at the three landfills. On the other hand, there was a rise in the number of complaint cases on fly-tipping activities. To effectively monitor the disposal of construction waste, members considered that the Administration should establish a mechanism whereby the amount of waste generated from each construction project could be checked against the actual waste delivered to landfills. On enforcement, members generally welcomed the pilot construction waste fly-tipping spotter scheme to be launched by the Administration, but stressed that the reporting procedures for fly-tipping under the pilot scheme should not be complicated,

otherwise these might discourage spotters from reporting such activities.

The introduction of an environmental levy on plastic shopping bags was the first producer responsibility scheme to be implemented by the Administration. While there was general support for the need to deter the indiscriminate use of plastic shopping bags, members noted that there were concerns about the effectiveness of the scheme having regard to overseas experiences. They urged the Administration to take into account all the views before introducing the relevant legislation.

The panel welcomed the improvement to water quality of the Victoria Harbour made under the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme (HATS) Stage 1, but stressed the need for proceeding with HATS Stages 2A and 2B as soon as possible. When consulted on the application of the "polluter-pays" principle in the provision of sewage services, members expressed concern about setting out in law fee increments for the Sewage Charge for the next 10 years especially when the anticipated expenditure to justify such increments had not been incurred. They considered it a bad precedent as it would set a bad example for other policy bureaux. The proposed arrangement also lacked the needed flexibility to cope with changes, particularly when no review would be conducted during the interim.

Panel on Financial Affairs

In addition to examining the Administration's policies on financial services, the panel continued to provide a forum for Members to exchange views periodically with the Financial Secretary on macro economic issues. Members were pleased to note the broad-based expansion of Hong Kong's economy and the above-trend growth in GDP for consecutive quarters. As unemployment in the construction sector remained high despite the drop in overall unemployment rate to its lowest

in about nine years, members urged the Administration to fully utilize the annual provision of \$29 billion earmarked for public works projects and expedite their implementation so as to create more jobs in the industry.

Noting that inflation was forecast to remain benign over the next five years, some members were concerned that the depreciation of the Hong Kong dollar along with the US dollar and the gradual appreciation of the renminbi might push up business operating costs and the cost of living. On currency stability, the panel noted the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA)'s affirmation that the US dollar remained the most appropriate anchor for the Hong Kong dollar, and the Administration's position that the existing Linked Exchange Rate System had served Hong Kong well and should not be changed without sound justification. Members also attached great importance to Hong Kong's role as an international financial centre and a premier capital formation centre for Mainland enterprises.

The surfacing of counterfeit banknotes and reliability of the smartcard payment system attracted wide public concern. Following the detection of counterfeit banknotes in early 2007, the panel examined the extent of the problem and the effectiveness of remedial action taken to maintain public confidence in the security of the Hong Kong currency. Given the widespread use of the Octopus Card, the panel followed up with the Administration, HKMA and the operators on the underlying causes for reported failures in adding value to the Octopus Card, the refund to affected customers and the improvement measures adopted. In considering the policy and regulatory framework for multi-purpose stored value cards, members stressed the importance of a level playing field and fair market competition.

In monitoring the regulatory regime for listed companies, the panel examined the transparency of

regulatory and enforcement actions taken by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited. The panel also exchanged views with them on the cross-border enforcement mechanism in relation to companies domiciled overseas and listed in Hong Kong. Members also gave views on the Administration's proposal to give statutory backing to major listing requirements. Following the launch of Phase 1 of the Electronic Disclosure Project under which the publication of paid announcements in local newspapers would be optional for companies listed on the Main Board, members urged the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited to consider additional measures to safeguard investors' access to information, such as improving the user-friendliness of its website and requiring the companies to publish summary announcements in newspapers in parallel to posting full versions on websites.

The panel continued to monitor the impact of fee charging and reduction in bank branches on disadvantaged users such as the elderly, the disabled and low-income earners. It also followed up with the Hong Kong Association of Banks, the Consumer Council and the Administration on various initiatives to enhance the provision of basic banking services. Given the importance of banking services to other sectors, the panel examined the difficulties reported by remittance agents and money changers in obtaining such services since they were regarded as high-risk customers in terms of prevention of money laundering. While encouraging the Hong Kong Association of Banks and the trade to engage in direct dialogue, members also urged the Administration to expedite its review on the existing regulatory framework on remittance agents and money changers.

Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

Following the discovery of Sudan Red in hen and duck eggs, the panel discussed with the Administration the measures and plans to be taken to prevent the recurrence of incidents. The panel welcomed the measures taken by the Mainland authorities to issue health certificates for

poultry eggs and egg products exported to Hong Kong, as well as the Administration's legislative proposal of requiring all importers of poultry eggs to register with the Centre for Food Safety (CFS) and obtain permits for the import of eggs. The panel was of the view that, to ensure food safety "from farm to table", the Administration should conduct more inspections to registered poultry egg farms in the Mainland and carry out more sample testing of poultry eggs.

Following a series of food incidents related to the consumption of raw oysters as well as the discovery of malachite green in aquatic products and the detection of veterinarian drug residues in turbot in the Mainland, the panel discussed with the Administration the ways to enhance the food safety of fish and aquatic products. The panel expressed dissatisfaction at the slow progress in improving the regulatory framework for aquatic food products. To address members' concern, the Administration undertook to prepare the necessary legislation to put in place a statutory notification scheme for food importers and distributors. Before the enactment of the new law, a pre-statutory voluntary notification scheme would be introduced.

As the Mainland authorities had implemented enhanced inspection and quarantine measures for leafy vegetables supplied to Hong Kong on 1 April 2007, the panel discussed with the Administration the measures for the regulation of imported vegetables and fruits. Members criticized the absence of complementary measures to strengthen the control of the importation of vegetables and fruits. They pointed out that the facilities at the Man Kam To Boundary Control Point could not cope with the increasing volume of the Mainland food supplied to Hong Kong. In response, the Administration informed the panel that it was exploring ways to expand the facilities for inspecting imported food. Members also expressed great disappointment that the new Food Safety Bill which sought to regulate gradually food items such as vegetables and fruits which had a higher food safety risk or were of wide public concern would not be introduced into LegCo until

the end of 2008. In the interest of food safety and public health, the panel urged the Administration to expedite the drafting of the new Bill and submit it for scrutiny as soon as possible.

The Administration consulted the panel on the strategy for the food surveillance programme to be adopted by CFS. At the panel's request, CFS also reported to members on its work since its establishment in May 2006.

The panel held a joint meeting with the Panel on Health Services to discuss with the Administration its preparations for the upcoming peak season of avian influenza outbreak, including the development of a poultry slaughtering and processing plant in Sheung Shui. Members expressed grave concern about the unemployment problem of live poultry workers if the sale of live poultry in retail outlets was prohibited after the plant comes into operation in 2009-2010. They held the strong view that the Administration should fully consult the affected trades about the proposals for ex-gratia payment/financial assistance before introducing the legislative proposal for setting up the plant.

Panel on Health Services

The Administration briefed the panel on the introduction of new obstetric service charge in all public hospitals for non-eligible persons (NEPs) in order to better channel demand from Mainland pregnant women to the private sector. Some members urged the Administration to adopt a two-tier structure for the NEP Obstetric Package Charge by applying its revised rate of \$39,000 (or \$48,000 for those without booking) for those NEPs with no marital ties in Hong Kong, while allowing NEPs whose spouses were Hong Kong residents to pay the previous rate of \$20,000, which was set on a full-cost recovery basis. The Administration advised that more time was

needed to monitor the effects of the new obstetric service arrangements before consideration could be given to making any changes or fine-tuning to the arrangements.

In the wake of the mix-up in the collection of deceased patients at the Prince of Wales Hospital, the panel requested the Hospital Authority (HA) to enhance the capacity of mortuaries in public hospitals and improve the procedures for body collection and identification. Having reviewed the mortuary services in all public hospitals, HA planned to add 550 compartments by 2008-2009, which should be sufficient to cope with the demand for the next 10 years, and expedite the development of the Mortuary Information System to minimize erroneous body identification. At the request of some members, HA agreed to avoid storing two deceased bodies of different genders in the same compartment and to impose storage charge where warranted.

To resolve the disputes about the eligibility for undertaking the Licensing Examination for Chinese Medicine practitioners, the Administration was urged to expeditiously convene a meeting between the Chinese Medicine Council of Hong Kong and the institutes which offered Chinese medicine degree courses not recognized by the Chinese Medicine Practitioners Board, and to invite panel members to attend the meeting.

In view of the increase in the number of complaints about the practices of health maintenance organizations, the panel invited representatives of the medical and dental professional associations, the trade and the Consumer Council to give views on the Administration's proposal to request group practices to appoint a medical director who would be held accountable for the medical decisions in the group. Most members and deputations from the medical sector and the Consumer Council considered the medical director concept far from adequate in safeguarding patients' welfare. The Administration pointed out that the medical director concept was an effective first step to better

safeguard patients' interests. Given the myriad relationship among different parties involved in the delivery of healthcare services provided by health maintenance organizations, more time was needed to find out which party in the chain should be held accountable and which aspect of the whole operation should be regulated before deciding how they should be regulated.

Panel on Home Affairs

Members were dissatisfied with the slow progress of the policy review of built heritage conservation and the Administration's lack of concrete conservation proposals. The panel expressed grave concern that buildings or sites with unique heritage value would be damaged or even destroyed amidst rapid redevelopment. The panel set up a Subcommittee on Heritage Conservation to review the planning for redevelopment and/or preservation projects relating to these buildings or sites.

The panel received a briefing by the Administration on the progress made to co-host, with the Beijing Organizing Committee for the Games of XXIX Olympiad, the 2008 Olympics and Paralympic Equestrian Events in Hong Kong. A majority of members welcomed the opportunity for Hong Kong to co-host the Events and were pleased with the preparation work.

The panel continued to monitor closely the overall provision of leisure and cultural facilities. The panel discussed the upgrading works for venues for holding the 2009 East Asian Games and the redevelopment of the Hong Kong Sports Institute. The relevant subcommittee set up under the panel also held discussion with the Administration, District Councils (DCs) and relevant professional bodies with a view to expediting the implementation schedule of the 139 outstanding leisure and cultural services projects of the former municipal councils.

The panel was of the view that, in parallel with an increase in investment in sports venues, the Administration should promote a sporting culture in the community and enhance funding support to elite athletes. At the panel's request, the Administration briefed members on its plans to promote sports development, particularly elite sports, and to enhance collaboration with all sectors to promote wider participation in sports.

The panel closely monitored the submission of reports to the United Nations (UN) under various international human treaties by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and its progress in following up the recommendations made by the UN treaty monitoring bodies concerned in respect of these reports. Some members expressed disappointment at the Administration's repeated refusal of setting up a human rights commission in Hong Kong. The panel set up a Subcommittee on Human Rights Protection Mechanisms to pursue the issue.

The Administration briefed the panel on its plan for implementing recommendations arising from the DC Review conducted in 2006 which included a pilot scheme in four selected districts for DCs to participate in the management of district facilities. Some members requested the Administration to provide clear guidelines to assist the pilot DCs in discharging their enhanced role.

Following the enactment of the Building Management (Amendment) Ordinance 2007, the panel discussed the Administration's publicity arrangements as well as various issues relating to the implementation of the Ordinance.

Panel on Housing

During the session, the panel continued to monitor issues relating to the provision and management

of retail and car-parking facilities divested by Housing Authority (HA). The panel discussed with The Link on concerns about substantial rent increases on premises in the shopping centres and the increasing trend of leasing premises to chain stores, thus resulting in the closure of small shops and monopolization by large shops, thereby adversely affecting the interests of nearby public rental housing (PRH) tenants in terms of reduced choice of goods and services and higher prices. The panel urged The Link to look into these matters seriously, and improve transparency and enhance communication with commercial tenants in its daily operation. It also called on the Administration to review the divestment policy of HA's facilities in the light of experience of the divestment exercise of The Link.

The panel discussed with the Administration measures to improve utilization of Housing for Senior Citizen (HSC) units. The panel considered it necessary for the Administration to speed up converting HSC units into normal PRH flats and increase the annual target in this respect. Members also reviewed measures for addressing under-occupation in PRH. While members agreed that under-occupied households with elderly and disabled tenants should come last on the list of households to be transferred, they called on the Administration to adopt a more flexible approach in handling cases involving these tenants. The panel was briefed on the enhanced measures in the allocation of PRH flats for encouraging and facilitating the younger generation to live with their elderly parents in support of the Government's policy of fostering harmonious families. The panel stressed the importance of ensuring consistency among the various measures and urged the Administration to increase the annual quota of flats in the urban district to meet anticipated demand from applicants.

The panel attached great importance to issues relating to the management and maintenance of PRH. The panel received progress updates on the implementation of the Marking Scheme for

Environmental Hygiene in Public Housing Estates (the Marking Scheme), the Total Maintenance Scheme (TMS), and the Comprehensive Structural Investigation programme for aged estates (CSI). Members took the opportunity to urge the Administration to implement improvement measures for the Marking Scheme and work out the arrangements for undertaking repair and improvement works under TMS and CSI in consultation with the tenants concerned.

In monitoring the review of HA's domestic rent policy, the panel discussed with the Administration the legislative proposal to put in place a new rent adjustment mechanism allowing both upward and downward adjustments in PRH rents. The panel also reviewed with the Administration the arrangements for selling the surplus Home Ownership Scheme flats under Phase 1 of 2007.

During the session, the panel followed closely issues relating to private housing. In reviewing the measures for improving the sale arrangements for first-hand residential units, the panel stressed the need to put in place statutory measures for governing the sale of residential properties in protecting the interests of buyers and passed a motion urging the Administration to reopen the discussion on the Sales Descriptions of Uncompleted Residential Properties White Bill. The panel also exchanged views with relevant parties on proposals to enhance transparency in the disclosure of floor area information in sales descriptions for residential properties. On the supply of private housing and development in property prices, the panel urged the Administration to ensure sufficient supply and stable prices in order to meet market demand and affordability of the general public.

Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting

Subsequent to the earthquakes off Taiwan on 26 and 27 December 2006, which had resulted in severe telecommunications disruptions in Hong Kong, the panel exchanged views with the Administration and deputations on the restoration capabilities of local operators as compared with

those in the neighbouring regions, as well as contingency measures. The panel noted that the Administration had, in the wake of the incident, promulgated new guidelines for reporting relevant outages in future with a view to strengthening communications and co-ordination between the operators and the Office of the Telecommunications Authority. In response to members' urge for proactive assistance to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), which had suffered considerable losses during the incident, the Administration devised a series of measures to help SMEs better cope with similar emergencies in future.

In view of the Government's appointment of the Committee on Review of Public Service Broadcasting (the Review Committee) in January 2006 to undertake a fundamental and critical review of public service broadcasting (PSB) and its future development, the panel conducted an overseas duty visit to Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom, where there had been marked developments in their PSB systems. The panel published a report in October 2006 on its observations and recommendations on the way forward for PSB in Hong Kong, with a view to providing useful reference on how PSB could be taken forward in Hong Kong. Subsequent to the submission of the report to the Chief Executive by the Review Committee on 28 March 2007, the panel exchanged views with the Review Committee on its findings. Members noted with grave concern that in its review, the Review Committee had not examined in detail whether the Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK) could be freed from its present government department status and reconstituted into a statutory body with a clear public service mission, but had come to the view that RTHK should not be transformed into a public broadcaster. Noting that the Administration would issue a public consultation paper in the second half of 2007 on PSB, members urged the Administration to include the option of RTHK's transformation into a public broadcaster in the consultation paper.

On the progress of the implementation of digital terrestrial television (DTT) in Hong Kong, the panel noted that the two domestic free television programme service licensees would commence DTT broadcasting in the last quarter of 2007, with the adoption of the national standard of the Mainland as the technical standard for transmission and reception of DTT services in Hong Kong. As the Administration planned to switch off analogue broadcasting in 2012, which might deprive certain households from access to free television programme if they could not afford to purchase DTT receivers, members urged the Administration to make a decision on the timing of the analogue switch-off on the basis of objective criteria, including the extent of DTT coverage, consumers' DTT readiness, and the degree of public acceptance as indicated by the extent of DTT uptake.

The panel supported the Administration's proposal to provide Wi-Fi facilities free of charge at major government premises with high public patronage, including public libraries, museums and large parks, as this could offer convenient and affordable Internet access to the public. The proposal could also facilitate visitors in their business and leisure activities during their stay in Hong Kong, and thus help project a positive image of Hong Kong and uphold its status as a leading digital city. Having regard to the huge amount of public fund to be involved in the proposed Wi-Fi Programme, the Administration took on board members' suggestion of putting in place measures for assessing the cost-effectiveness of the Wi-Fi Programme.

The panel welcomed the Administration's commitment to assist the local film industry by injecting \$300 million into the existing Film Development Fund for financing small-to-medium budget film productions, as such an arrangement would be conducive to fair competition and healthy development of the film industry. Members considered that a strong local film industry would benefit Hong Kong's tourism industry, hence contributing to the overall economy of Hong Kong. During the session, the panel conducted a total of nine public hearings to receive public views on

"Internet disruptions caused by earthquake damage to undersea cables"; "Public consultation on proposed spectrum policy framework"; "The editorial independence of RTHK and the yardsticks of the Broadcasting Authority in imposing sanctions"; "Support measures for the film industry"; "Progress in the implementation of DTT broadcasting in Hong Kong"; "Review on public service broadcasting"; "Release of spectrum for broadband wireless access services"; "Review of regulatory framework for universal service arrangements" and "Provision of consumer information in relation to residential broadband use in Hong Kong".

Panel on Manpower

Some members of the panel were of the view that the Wage Protection Movement (WPM) for employees in the cleansing and guarding services sectors, announced by the Chief Executive in his Policy Address in October 2006, was ineffective to protect the interests of the low-income groups. They considered that legislation on minimum wage should be introduced without delay. These members were also concerned about the criteria used by the Labour Advisory Board for assessing the effectiveness of WPM. Some other members, however, considered that sufficient time should be allowed for WPM to prove that the purpose of providing wage protection for cleaning workers and security guards could be achieved without enactment of legislation. The panel passed a motion requesting the Administration to use, among other factors, the number of workers who benefited from WPM and the levels of wages offered comparing with the requirement under WPM as the criteria for conducting the mid-term review of WPM. The panel also passed another motion urging early introduction of minimum wage legislation.

Some members expressed concern about the financial position of the 22 problematic restaurants which had been put under Operation COMBAT and were still in operation, and asked the Administration to closely monitor those restaurants identified as being at high risk of closure to

prevent them from evading their wage liabilities. They also pointed out the difficulties in controlling and monitoring wage payments to construction workers, given that the problem of multi-layered subcontracting had continued to prevail in the construction industry. They urged the Administration to adopt more effective measures to tackle wage offences. To enhance the deterrent effect on employers, some members suggested that the Employment Ordinance should be amended to the effect that a director without reasonable excuse would be liable for a wage offence committed by his limited company. In addition, a fixed penalty system should be established to the effect that the fine to be imposed on convicted summonses should correspond with the outstanding amount of wages owed.

While welcoming the Employees' Compensation Insurance Residual Scheme to be launched by the insurance industry, some members expressed concern that the premium benchmark rates of some of the 19 high-risk groups were too high. These members pointed out that workers might be forced to become self-employed if employers intentionally evaded the statutory responsibility to take out employees compensation insurance because of high premium. They considered that the premium rates should meet the basic criteria of affordability. They also suggested that the Administration should review the existing policy so as to ensure that self-employed persons were covered by the Employees' Compensation Ordinance.

Some members were doubtful about the effectiveness of the measures taken by the Labour Department to combat illegal employment. They pointed out that despite the increase in workplace inspections conducted by the Labour Department and joint operations with other enforcement authorities over the past four years, the problem of illegal employment continued to exist. They suggested that the Administration should analyse the distribution of illegal workers arrested, in terms of the types of jobs undertaken by them, so as to formulate more effective

measures to combat illegal employment at its source.

Panel on Planning, Lands and Works

Issues relating to the planning of the harbourfront areas and preservation of old structures along the Central harbourfront continued to draw a lot of public attention during the year. The panel monitored vigilantly the development plans for the Kai Tak area, the Wan Chai waterfront and, in particular, the planned demolition of the old Star Ferry Pier and the Queen's Pier to make way for the reclamation works and the construction of the planned infrastructures under the Central Reclamation Phase III project.

On the development of the Kai Tak area, members noted the revised Preliminary Outline Development Plan for Kai Tak and made suggestions to enhance the planning for the area. Members also urged the Administration to adopt appropriate measures to address concerns about possible environmental impacts of the proposed developments in the area.

As regards Wan Chai Development Phase II, the Administration presented to the panel a Recommended Outline Development Plan and proposed amendments to the relevant Outline Zoning Plans. While members expressed diverse views on the necessity of constructing the Central-Wan Chai Bypass, they in general supported the proposal for creating a vibrant and attractive waterfront in Wan Chai and called for early implementation of the enhancement measures.

To follow up on the discussion on issues relating to the re-provisioning of the old Central Star Ferry Pier in the last session, the panel continued to examine options to preserve the Pier and its clock tower at the start of the session. The panel invited views from various professional bodies and

interested parties on how the Pier could be preserved. The old clock tower was dismantled on 16 December 2006 and only the faces and the mechanical parts of the old clock had been preserved. The Administration promised that it would reassemble the clock and re-erect it on a new clock tower to be constructed at a suitable location. To address the mounting public sentiments against the Administration's plan over the demolition of the Queen's Pier, the panel held a series of meetings and invited public views. The panel noted the views of professional bodies on the technical aspects of preserving the Queen's Pier and urged the Administration to discuss with those bodies. In March and April 2007, the panel met with the Administration and professional bodies to discuss the four proposals identified for preserving the Queen's Pier, including in-situ preservation by realignment of planned infrastructures and preservation of the above-ground structure for reassembling at a suitable location in future. The Administration concluded that in-situ preservation was technically infeasible and decided to go for preserving the above-ground structure of the Pier for reassembling in future. In July 2007, the Administration briefed the panel on the implementation details. According to the Administration, preservation, storage and reassembly of Queen's Pier would be carried out with reference to the relevant international charters and guidelines in respect of heritage preservation. Suitable locations for the reconstruction of the Star Ferry clock tower and the reassembly of the Queen's Pier would be identified through the Urban Design Study for the New Central Harbourfront which was scheduled for completion by the end of 2007.

For the revised Concept Plan for Lantau, members in general supported the overall planning vision and broad development concepts under the revised Concept Plan. Members urged the Administration to take forward projects to improve the vibrancy of Mui Wo and Tai O swiftly. They also called for early implementation of the proposed recreational facilities and conservation

related facilities, as these projects were not controversial and could bring direct benefits to the general public.

The panel reviewed the work of the Urban Renewal Authority and members in general were dissatisfied with its slow progress in the implementation of redevelopment projects. Some members criticized that the Authority had not put in adequate efforts in listening to stakeholders and concern groups and in reconciling their conflicting interests, and that it had not done enough to conserve heritage buildings and local characteristics in implementing redevelopment projects. Some members called on the Administration to conduct a comprehensive review of the Urban Renewal Strategy.

During the session, the panel also discussed other issues including the proposed Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme, the proposed Minor Works Control System, issues relating to developments creating the "wall effect", development and implementation of Greening Master Plans, progress of registration under the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance and the proposed phased commencement of the prohibition provisions in the Ordinance, designation of land lots in rural areas for use as container back-up areas and open storage space, amendments made by the Town Planning Board to Outline Zoning Plans to impose development restrictions, proposed demolition of the Kwai Chung Incineration Plant, and proposed retention of four supernumerary directorate posts in the Land Registry.

Panel on Public Service

The development of an improved civil service pay adjustment mechanism was high on the agenda of the panel in the 2006-2007 legislative session. The panel reviewed the progress and methodology in conducting the pay level surveys, the starting salaries survey and the annual pay

trend surveys under the pay adjustment mechanism.

Regarding pay level surveys (PLSs), which compared civil service pay levels with those in the private sector, the panel noted the Administration's decision to conduct PLSs regularly at six-yearly intervals. It also noted the results of the 2006 PLS, which indicated that the difference between the civil service and private sector pay indicators for all job levels was within the acceptable range of plus/minus 5%, and the Government's decision that all civil service pay scales should remain unchanged.

The panel noted the findings of the starting salaries survey conducted in 2006, which showed that civil service starting pay had fallen below the prevailing market entry pay in nine out of the 12 qualification groups. This had called for adjustments to the starting pay of those civil service grades in these nine qualification groups by one to five pay points. Some members, however, expressed grave concern about the adoption of the normal conversion arrangement for adjusting the salaries of civil servants and teachers in government aided schools appointed to entry ranks on or after 1 April 2000. Upon conversion, the salaries would be revised to a level equivalent to or only one pay point higher than the revised starting salaries for new appointees. Similarly, serving civil servants in certain professional grades, such as Government Counsels and Engineers, appointed on or after 1 April 2000 would not enjoy the same salaries as the new appointees awarded with additional pay points for comparable post-qualification experience. Under the circumstances, there was concern that the disparity in salaries so created would seriously undermine staff morale and even the stability of the civil service. The panel passed a motion for the conversion arrangements to be reviewed so that full regard would be given to the length of service and experience of the existing civil servants.

The panel monitored closely the Administration's work in the civil service pay adjustment exercise, including the methodology adopted in conducting the annual pay trend surveys. When the 2007-2008 civil service pay adjustment proposal was submitted to the panel for discussion, members generally welcomed the Administration's proposal to offer a pay increase of 4.96% for the directorate and civil servants in the upper salary band and 4.62% for civil servants in the middle and lower salary band with effect from 1 April 2007. Some members, however, relayed the concern raised in the community that the proposed rates of pay increase might be too high when compared with the private sector, and that the annual pay adjustment mechanism for civil servants lacked the flexibility to allow differential pay adjustment based on the performance of individual civil servants. The panel also reviewed the determination of the pay or pay adjustment of staff working in subvented organizations.

The panel exchanged views with the Administration on other policy issues pertaining to the management of the civil service, including recruitment and training of civil servants, implementation of five-day week in the Government, integrity management in the civil service as well as disciplinary mechanism and procedures for the civil service. The panel continued to monitor the employment of non-civil service contract (NCSC) staff. The panel noted that as at 31 March 2006, there were 16,488 full-time NCSC staff employed in 68 Bureaux/Departments. Nevertheless, the Administration only intended to convert some 4,000 NCSC positions to civil service posts. The panel called on the Administration to review the employment of NCSC staff and ensure the conversion of the NCSC staff employed to fill the posts created to meet long-term needs to civil servants.

Panel on Security

Members expressed concern as to whether the existing staffing establishment of the Immigration

Department (ImmD) was sufficient to cope with the increased workload at control points arising from the rise in the number of visitors to Hong Kong. Members were also concerned about the accumulated leave balance of frontline immigration staff. According to ImmD, as at September 2006, the average number of accumulated leave of all immigration staff at the rank of Chief Immigration Officer and below amounted to 116 days, and the average number of accumulated leave of officers with longer years of service stood at about 129 days. The accumulated leave balances of about 45% of rank and file staff and about 65% of staff of officer grade were close to the upper limit. Members called upon the Administration to recruit additional staff when the circumstances warranted. Members also urged the Administration to improve the facilities at immigration control points.

The panel examined the drug abuse problem of an increasing number of Hong Kong residents in the Mainland, and enquired whether there was any mechanism to provide rehabilitative service to Hong Kong residents arrested for drug abuse in the Mainland. The panel was informed that the Police had been working closely with the Mainland authorities to combat the problem. Apart from meetings at the top management level, communication was maintained at the operational level to discuss specific cases and exchange intelligence. A mechanism had been established whereby the Police would liaise with social workers to provide service to Hong Kong residents arrested for drug abuse in the Mainland when they returned to Hong Kong.

The panel noted with concern the serious shortfall in penal places in maximum security prisons, female institutions and remand facilities. As at 16 March 2007, the occupancy rate in male institutions was 95% and there was a shortfall of 462 places in remand facilities and maximum security prisons. In the case of female institutions, the occupancy rate was 106%, representing a shortfall of 114 places. The panel was advised that besides minor works and small scale projects

which would provide more places in existing penal institutions, the Lo Wu Correctional Institution was being redeveloped, and the feasibility of developing the existing institutions at Chi Ma Wan was being explored. The Administration envisaged that these projects would help relieve the overcrowding problem in penal institutions.

Some members pointed out that the proposal of merging the Tseung Kwan O Division and Sai Kung Division into a Police District had been discussed many times at meetings between Legislative Council Members and Sai Kung District Council members. As the police-to-population ratio of Tseung Kwan O Division was particularly low, they considered that there was a genuine need for the proposed merger. They hoped that a plan for the merger could be drawn up within the 2007-2008 financial year. The panel was informed that in view of Tseung Kwan O's relatively large and growing population in absolute terms, the Police saw a prima facie case of eventually merging the Tseung Kwan O Division with an adjoining area and upgrading the combined area into a Police District. The Police would draw up the implementation plan by taking into account the future developments in the Kowloon East Region as a whole.

Panel on Transport

During the session, the panel reviewed the effectiveness of the road safety legislation implemented over the past few years, particularly in relation to drink driving, dangerous driving, and installations in vehicles to enhance safety, such as reversing aids and safety belts. In this respect, the panel was briefed by Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo on his intention to introduce a Member's Bill relating to road safety. Having considered members' views expressed at the briefing, the Administration agreed to implement a series of measures to combat drink driving and further enhance road safety.

To cater for the increasing cross-boundary traffic demand, two new boundary crossings, namely, the Shenzhen Bay Port and the Sheung Shui to Lok Ma Chau Spur Line (Spur Line) were scheduled for

commissioning in mid 2007. In reviewing the progress of the projects, the panel urged the Administration and Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation to put in place measures to ensure the smooth operation of the new boundary crossing facilities and the early implementation of the connecting transport infrastructure. Grave concern was expressed about the traffic condition of the un-tolled Tuen Mun Road and the need to direct traffic to Route 3. The panel also reviewed the design of the public transport interchanges at the new boundary crossing points and the fare level of the Spur Line.

The panel was gravely concerned about the conflicts within the taxi trade as well as between the taxi trade and light goods vehicle trades at the airport. The panel called on the Administration to closely monitor the implementation of a series of traffic management measures for light goods vehicles and taxis at the airport, and step up enforcement against illegal transport activities. The panel also asked the Administration to examine whether it was necessary to amend the law to require taxi drivers to charge the exact fare recorded on the taximeters to curb fare bargaining.

The panel discussed the fare increase application proposals from two ferry operators, and the tendering arrangements for the operation of six existing major licensed ferry services of the outlying islands. The panel asked the Administration to improve the viability of waterborne transport services so as to maintain the essential public transport services for the travelling public, particularly those on the outlying islands.

The Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways formed under the panel continued to monitor the planning and implementation of various railway projects, including the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link and the Northern Link, the Shatin to Central Link, the South Island Line, the West Island Line and the Kowloon Southern Link. It also

reviewed the root causes of a number of major railway incidents that happened in the year, and called on the Administration and the two railway corporations to put in place adequate improvement measures to prevent the recurrence of similar incidents in future.

Panel on Welfare Services

The panel placed great emphasis on the building of an inclusive society and the creation of a barrier-free environment for people with disabilities. While the panel recognized that the Review Working Group of the 2007 Rehabilitation Programme Plan had taken into account a wide spectrum of views and suggestions from various groups of people with disabilities, rehabilitation non-governmental organizations and other individuals and organizations concerned, members expressed dissatisfaction at the lack of concrete plan and timetable for taking forward the recommendations in the 2007 Rehabilitation Programme Plan.

The panel had extensive discussion with the Administration on issues relating to the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) payments, including the proposed changes to the Disregarded Earnings arrangement and the findings of the evaluation study on the New Dawn Project for single parents and child carers on CSSA. The panel continued to call for a comprehensive review of the CSSA Scheme, given that the last review of the Scheme was conducted in 1996 and the basic items being considered in the review were outdated.

The subcommittee formed under the panel on review of the CSSA Scheme continued to examine issues relating to the Scheme. During the session, the subcommittee discussed the levels of CSSA standard payment rates, difficulties faced by CSSA applicants arising from the seven-year and the one-year-continuous-residence requirements, provision of special grant to cover costs of dental treatment, and medical needs of elderly CSSA recipients.

The panel discussed the system of processing applications for Disability Allowance under the Social Security Allowance Scheme. Members were particularly concerned about the long processing time for considering appeals on the ground of disabilities. Following discussion at three meetings, the panel passed a motion urging the Administration to set performance indicators for the appeal mechanism and conduct an independent and transparent review on the mechanism.

A majority of members expressed concern about a lack of comprehensive child protection policy. The panel passed a motion urging the Administration to set up a statutory Commission on Children expeditiously.

Some members were concerned that the funding provisions for elderly services were inadequate to meet the current and future needs, having regard to the ageing population. The panel passed a motion urging the Administration to formulate a five-year plan on services for the elderly.

During the session, the subcommittee set up under the panel to review the strategy and measures for tackling family violence discussed a number of issues, including the development of a district welfare co-ordination mechanism in Kwun Tong and the outcome of the review of the District Coordinating Committee/Local Committee mechanism, progress of the implementation of District Liaison Groups, housing assistance for victims of domestic violence, risk assessment tools for spouse battering and child abuse, review of the improvement measures on handling domestic violence by the Police, and prosecution of abusers.

The Council operates a redress system under which the public can make representations on or seek solutions to problems arising from Government policies, decisions and procedures. Under the system, Members provide assistance, where justified, for members of the public who are aggrieved by Government actions or policies. They also deal with public representations on Government policies and legislation as well as other matters of public concern.

In groups of six, Members take turns to be on duty each week to oversee the system and to receive and handle representations and complaints made by deputations. In addition, they take turns to be on "ward duty" during their duty week to meet individual complainants and to give guidance to staff in processing cases. Staff of the Secretariat provide full-time support service for Members in the operation of the system.

In the 2006-2007 session, 946 new cases which required investigation and 1,223 telephone enquiries/views were received. Of the new cases received, 194 were group representations and 752 were cases brought up by individual members of the public. Out of the 978 cases dealt with and concluded within the period, Members directly handled 694 cases, which constituted 71% of the caseload. Of the remaining 284 cases, 278 were views which were circulated to Members for consideration, and six were simple cases handled by Secretariat staff on behalf of Members. In order to resolve cases expeditiously, Members held 54 case conferences with representatives of the Administration.

The nature of the cases concluded during the period under report is shown in **Fig. 4.1**, and the outcome of these cases is shown in **Fig. 4.2**. Of the 978 cases concluded, assistance was provided

to 830 cases (85%), while the remaining 148 cases (15%) were not pursued, as these were either outside the scope of the redress system, groundless, or incomprehensible.

Fig. 4.1 Nature of concluded cases

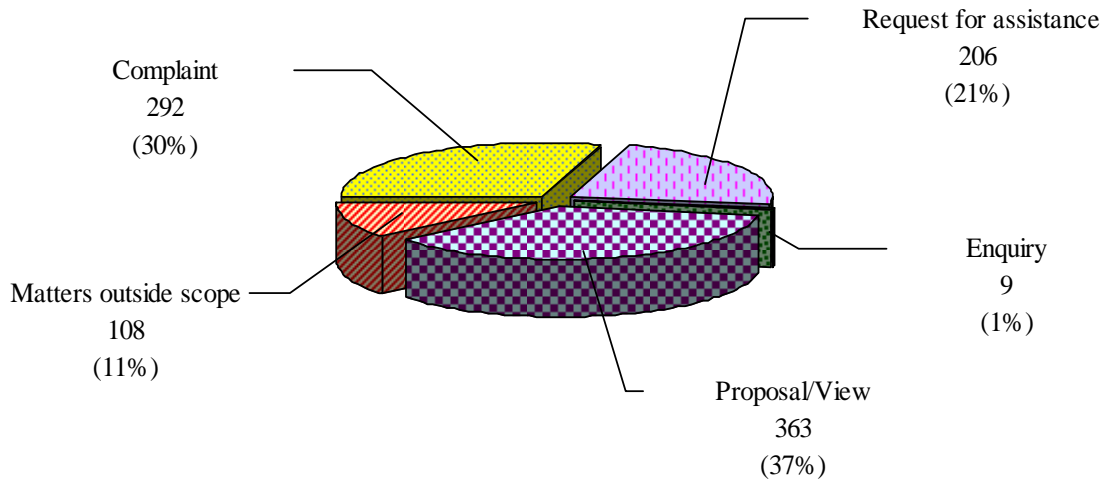
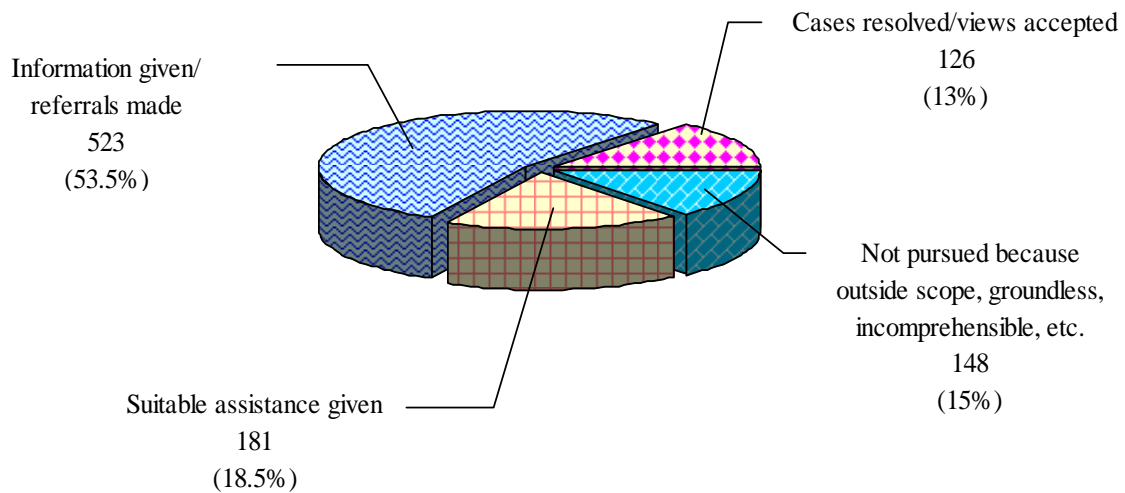


Fig. 4.2 Outcome of concluded cases



At **Fig. 4.3** and **Fig. 4.4** respectively are statistical breakdowns of these concluded cases, by nature and by outcome, by the 10 Government policy bureaux/departments which received the largest number of complaints. A breakdown of all concluded cases by Government policy bureaux/departments, independent organizations and others is in **Appendix 6**.

Fig. 4.3

Statistical breakdown of concluded cases by nature by the 10 Government policy bureaux/departments which received the largest number of complaints

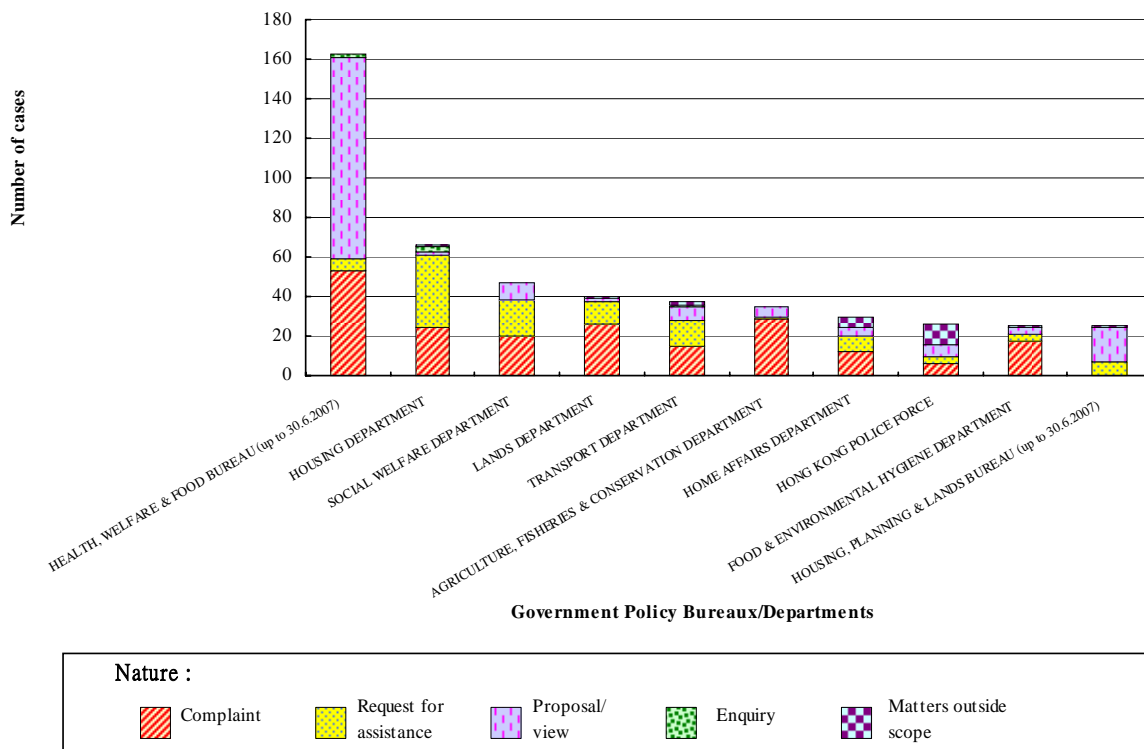
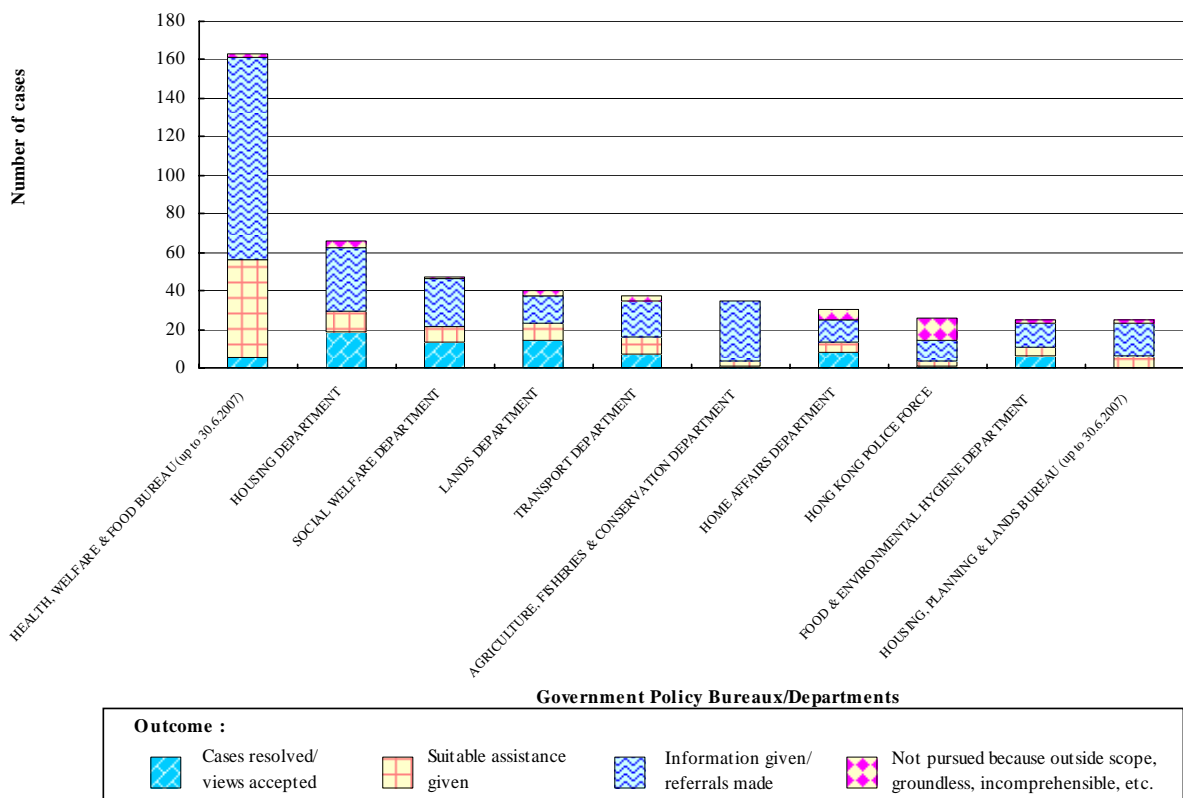


Fig. 4.4

Statistical breakdown of concluded cases by outcome by the 10 Government policy bureaux/departments which received the largest number of complaints



ANALYSIS OF SIGNIFICANT CASES DEALT WITH

Some of the more common and significant cases dealt with under the redress system during the session are as follows:

Health, Welfare and Food Related Issues

The Health, Welfare and Food Bureau attracted the largest number of cases, totalling 163. These consisted mainly of cases regarding the fee-charging policy for expectant mothers from the Mainland to give birth in Hong Kong, the proposal of setting up community pharmacies in public hospitals, requests for medical fee waivers to the non-local wives of Hong Kong residents and the reprovisioning of Yau Ma Tei Fruit Market. Views were also received on the enforcement of the smoking ban legislation, and the need for old-age retirement benefits.

Housing Cases

The second largest number of cases, totalling 66, were on housing issues. These were mainly requests for assistance from individuals regarding their applications for public rental housing (PRH), including compassionate rehousing and transfers. Complaints and views were also received on the management of PRH estates, such as water seepage problems, drying of clothes in public areas and keeping of dogs. Group cases were mainly related to the rehousing arrangements arising from the redevelopment of old PRH estates, the building quality and facilities of PRH estates, and also the delineation of maintenance responsibilities between the Hong Kong Housing Authority and owners' corporations of housing units sold under the Home Ownership Scheme and Tenants Purchase Scheme.

During the session, a group of some 90 tenants of the Wong Chuk Hang Estate affected by redevelopment approached Members for assistance in matters arising from their relocation to the

new estate, such as requests for household splitting and addition of family members to the new units. Members held a number of case conferences with the Administration to follow up individual cases and also to review the related policy issues, such as arrangements for pre-redevelopment transfer, allocation of larger or extra units to relieve overcrowding upon redevelopment, the criteria for compassionate rehousing, and the operation of the Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in PRH estates, etc. As at September 2007, all individual cases except one were satisfactorily resolved.

Social Welfare Cases

Cases related to the Social Welfare Department, totalling 47, were the third largest number of cases handled during the year. These were complaints and views concerning the administration of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance and other financial assistance schemes, as well as the handling of applications for compassionate re-housing and supervision of residential care centres for the elderly. Members had met with the concerned groups and referred the policy issues to the relevant panels for follow up. Individual cases were taken up with the Department and suitable assistance rendered to the complainants.

Land Cases

The Lands Department ranked the fourth in the number of cases received, totalling 40. Most of the individual cases lodged by members of the public were complaints about illegal occupation of Government land, slope maintenance and maladministration of district lands offices, and requests for removal of obstruction on road or public area. Cases lodged by groups were concerned with applications for or extension of short term tenancy and the issuance of the "Letter of No Objection to Occupy". The Complaints Division took up the cases with the Administration and advised the complainants accordingly.

Transport Cases

Transport cases, totalling 37, were the fifth largest category of cases handled during the year. Most of the cases brought forth by individuals were complaints against illegal parking, traffic congestion, reduction of bus service and relocation of bus terminus. Other cases were views and suggestions on Personalised Vehicle Registration Marks Scheme, provision of additional parking meters, reduction of bus fare and extension of bus and green minibus service. Group cases were mainly about traffic management issues, such as ways to improve the transport network in local districts to alleviate traffic congestion, and suggestions on transport facilities and traffic arrangements when the Hong Kong Shenzhen Western Corridor came into operation. The issues were taken up with the Administration in the form of written referrals or case conferences.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT CASES

Provision of an alternative Chinese Language curriculum for non-Chinese speaking students

A deputation approached Members to voice concern about the need for formulating an alternative Chinese language curriculum for non-Chinese speaking (NCS) students. Members noted that whilst NCS students could attend mainstream schools, they had difficulties with the Chinese language curriculum which was designed for local Chinese students. The deputation requested the Education and Manpower Bureau (EMB) to formulate a systematic and continuous Chinese language alternative curriculum for primary and secondary NCS students, and provide a widely recognized examination for assessing NCS students' abilities in Chinese language. While Members in general supported integrated education for NCS students, they were gravely concerned about the difficulties encountered by these students in attending schools which used Chinese as the medium of instruction. Members raised the matter with the Administration and noted that it was

the Administration's policy to encourage schools to adapt the teaching contents and materials to cater for the needs of different students. To assist schools in adapting the Chinese language curriculum for NCS students, EMB provided support to schools designated for admitting NCS students and established a network for these schools to share their experience. As the subject matter touched on wider policy issues such as qualification recognition and admission policy of tertiary institutions, the issues were referred to the Panel on Education for further deliberation.

Sai Yee Street redevelopment project

Two separate groups, the shop owners/operators of the "Sneaker Street" and the residents affected by the Sai Yee Street redevelopment project, approached Members for assistance regarding the implementation of the project by the Urban Renewal Authority (URA). The shop owners/operators put forward alternative proposals to preserve the shops and buildings. These proposals included (a) dismantling only the residential floors of the old buildings of the project and retaining the sneaker shops on the ground floor, or (b) repairing and maintaining the buildings concerned to enable the shops to continue operation while offering compensation to owners/tenants of residential flats who opted to move out.

On the other hand, the residents requested URA to expedite the redevelopment project, as they had waited for ten years since the announcement of the project by the former Land Development Corporation (LDC) in 1998. The residents opined that the buildings were dilapidated and the environment was deteriorating. They wished to receive compensation and seek alternative accommodation as soon as possible.

Members held a case conference with the Administration and URA to discuss the case. Members urged URA to preserve the vibrancy of the "Sneaker Street" during and after the redevelopment,

and expeditiously consult the affected parties on feasible options to implement the redevelopment project in a smooth and efficient manner. URA undertook to work closely with owners of shops and domestic properties, residents and related parties for a proposal that would fairly balance the different interests and facilitate early implementation of the project.

Joint-user complex and wholesale fish market in Area 44, Tuen Mun

Some residents in Tuen Mun were opposed to the Administration's proposal to construct a joint-user complex in Area 44 to provide for a community hall, a refuse collection point and a wholesale fish market. They expressed concern about the possible noise nuisance and environmental impact, as the fish market would start operation early in the morning, and fishing vessels would enter and leave Tuen Mun Typhoon Shelter throughout the day. These residents also expressed concern that the proposed site of the community hall was inconvenient to users.

Members noted that the Tuen Mun District Council had expressed support for the project. Members requested the Administration to consider mitigation measures to abate the noise and environmental impacts, and also address residents' concerns about the location and accessibility of community halls. The issues were subsequently referred to the Panel on Food Safety & Environmental Hygiene and the Panel on Home Affairs for further discussion.

Members noted that to minimize the environmental hygiene impact, the wholesale fish market and the community hall would be physically separated, with their main entrances facing different directions. A management committee comprising representatives from the market management, market users and nearby residents would be formed to closely supervise the operation of the fish market and to follow up any environmental complaints. To reduce the noise nuisance, fishermen would be requested to enter the typhoon shelter through the eastern entrance and leave the

wholesale fish market in early morning. The fishing vessels should not use horns except during emergency.

The Administration also undertook to improve the pedestrian crossing facilities to facilitate access to the proposed community hall. The financial proposal of the project was eventually approved by the Finance Committee in July 2007.

Operation of pet cremation service in an industrial building

Owners and tenants of an industrial building in urban area complained against the operation of pet cremation service in their building. The deputation alleged that the use of the premises for such operation was in breach of the lease conditions of the building. Moreover, Government departments lacked co-ordination in dealing with the complaints concerning emission of smoke and dust and improper handling of animal carcasses in the premises. As there was an increasing demand for pet cremation service, the deputation urged the Administration to regulate such operations to minimize health and fire hazards to the public.

Members held a case conference with the seven departments concerned to follow up the complaint. The Administration advised that numerous inspections of the premises had been carried out by the Environmental Protection Department (EPD), the Fire Services Department (FSD), the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, the Lands Department (LD) and the Buildings Department according to their own jurisdictions. EPD had issued an Air Pollution Abatement Notice to the operator and FSD had taken enforcement action against the operator for storage of fuel oil in excess of the legal limit. As there was a breach of the lease conditions, LD had issued a letter advising the owner of the premises to rectify the breach as soon as possible. Separately, upon the advice of the District Office, the Incorporated Owners' of the building had checked the deed of mutual

covenant and taken legal action against the owner and the operator. The operator subsequently demolished the incinerator and ceased operation.

The policy issue of providing a regulatory framework for pet cremation service was referred to the relevant panels.

PARLIAMENTARY LIAISON SUBCOMMITTEE

The Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee of the House Committee is responsible for the overall co-ordination of all parliamentary liaison activities between the Council and other parliamentary organizations outside Hong Kong, and for considering proposals for setting up friendship groups with such organizations. It makes recommendations to the House Committee on such matters. The membership of the subcommittee is in *Appendix 5*.

LUNCHEONS WITH CONSULS-GENERAL

To enhance contacts between Members and the diplomatic community in Hong Kong, luncheons were organized to provide opportunities for Members to make acquaintance and exchange views with consular officials on the work of the Council as well as matters of mutual concern. Between October 2006 and September 2007, three such luncheons were held, which were attended by a total of 41 consular officials.

CONTACT WITH DISTRICT COUNCILS

Members hold regular meetings on a roster basis with the District Councils to exchange views on matters or issues of mutual interest. Members convene such meetings by turn. Each meeting is followed by a luncheon attended by members of the District Council concerned, the President and Members. Policy issues raised at these meetings are referred to the relevant panels for more in-depth study, while individual cases are taken up by the Complaints Division for follow-up with the Administration. During the 2006-2007 session, 18 meetings were held with District Councils.

CONTACT WITH HEUNG YEE KUK

Members hold regular meetings with Councillors of Heung Yee Kuk to exchange views on matters or issues of mutual concern. During the 2006-2007 session, a meeting between Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors was held on 30 October 2006. The Chairman of the House Committee presided at the meeting. Policy issues raised at the meeting were referred to the relevant panels and the Administration for follow-up.

VISITORS

On a regular basis, the President, Members and senior staff of the Legislative Council Secretariat receive visiting parliamentarians, dignitaries and delegations referred by the Information Services Department and other departments of the Government and by consuls-general in Hong Kong. During the 2006-2007 session, a total of 121 meetings were held with visitors to brief them on the work of the Council and the latest developments in Hong Kong. These visitors included members of legislatures, political and business leaders, government officials and prominent persons from various countries and places.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMISSION

The LegCo Commission is a statutory body established under The Legislative Council Commission Ordinance (Cap. 443). Chaired by the President of the Council and comprising ten other Members (as provided in the Ordinance, the Commission can have not more than 13 members, including the Chairman), the Commission exercises managerial and financial functions in providing, through the LegCo Secretariat, administrative support and facilities to the Council independent of the Government. There are three committees under the Commission to carry out specific delegated functions. Membership of the Commission, its committees, and their terms of reference are set out in *Appendix 7*.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SECRETARIAT

Headed by the Secretary General, the LegCo Secretariat comprises nine divisions. Staff of the Secretariat are directly appointed by the Commission. As at 30 September 2007, there was an establishment of 316 posts in the Secretariat. The organization chart is shown in *Appendix 8*.

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(*New Territories West*)

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
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Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP
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- * Honorary Doctor Degree, China University of Political Science and Law, People's Republic of China (2003)
- * Master of Social Science (in Psychology), The University of Hong Kong (1970-1973)
- * Certificate in Personnel Management, The University of Hong Kong (1969-1971)
- * Bachelor of Science (in Chemistry and Physics), The University of Hong Kong (1964-1967)
- * St. Stephen's Girls' College, Hong Kong (1952-1964)

Occupation :

- * Full-time Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation : -

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President Deputy

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Transport

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * B.A. Hons., The University of Hong Kong
- * Solicitor, Supreme Court of Hong Kong
- * Solicitor, Supreme Court of England
- * Barrister and Solicitor, Supreme Court of Victoria, Australia
- * Diploma in Chinese Law, University of East Asia

Occupation :

- * Solicitor and Notary Public
- * China-Appointed Attesting Officer

Political Affiliation :

- * Liberal Party

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * M.Sc. in Chemical Engineering, San Jose State University, U.S.A. (1970)
- * B.Sc. in Chemical Engineering, University of Illinois, U.S.A. (1968)
- * Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong (1964)

Occupation :

- * Chairman, Manhattan Holdings Limited
- * Chairman, Manhattan Garments (Int'l) Limited

Political Affiliation :

- * Liberal Party

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Bachelor of Laws (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong
- * Post-graduate Certificate in Laws, The University of Hong Kong
- * Solicitor, Supreme Court of Hong Kong
- * Notary Public

Occupation :

- * Practising Solicitor and Notary Public

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Party

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Engineering

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Ph.D., City University of London, U.K. (1968-1971)
- * P.D.S.E., University of Manchester, U.K. (1963-1964)
- * B.Sc. (Eng.), The University of Hong Kong (1963)
- * Honorary Doctor of Laws, Hon. LL.D., University of Manchester, U.K. (2001)
- * Honorary Doctor of Business Administration, Hon. DBA, City University of Hong Kong (1999)
- * Authorized Person (Building Ordinance)
- * Registered Structural Engineer (Building Ordinance)
- * Registered Professional Engineer (Building, Civil, Environmental, Geotechnical, Structural)
- * Honorary Fellow & Past President (1987-1988), The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (Disciplines: - Building, Civil, Environmental, Geotechnical, Structural, Control, Automation & Instrumentation)
- * Fellow, Institution of Civil Engineers, U.K.
- * Fellow, Former Vice President (1989-1990) & International Representative (Asia-Pacific Region) (Since 21/4/1997), Institution of Structural Engineers, U.K.
- * Former Council Member (1984-1987) and Registered Principal, The Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong
- * Fellow and Council Member, The Hong Kong Academy of Engineering Sciences
- * Honorary Fellow and Former Honorary Advisor (2004-2006), The Chartered Institute of Building
- * Fellow & Past President (1989-1990), The Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology
- * Fellow & Former Honorary Adviser (1999-2002), The Hong Kong Institute of Real Estate Administration
- * Honorary Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Facility Management
- * Founder Member & Fellow, Hong Kong Institution of Highways and Transportation
- * Honorary Advisor & Honorary Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Utility Surveyors

Occupation :

- * Engineer

Political Affiliation :

- * The Alliance

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.Sc. (Eng.), Department of Civil Engineering, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation :

* General Secretary, Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions

Political Affiliation :

* Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Hong Kong Island

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.A., The University of Hong Kong

* Queen's Counsel

* Senior Counsel

Occupation :

* Barrister-at-law

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Party

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBM, GBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Finance

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * M.A. (Economics and Law), University of Cambridge
- * Fellow, Chartered Institute of Bankers
- * Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
- * Fellow, British Computer Society
- * Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, England
- * Honorary Degree of Doctor of Law, University of Cambridge
- * Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws, University of Warwick
- * Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws, The University of Hong Kong
- * Honorary Degree of Doctor of Social Sciences, Lingnan College
- * Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut
- * Fellow, Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- * Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Bankers
- * Fellow, The Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants

Occupation :

- * Banker (Chairman and Chief Executive, The Bank of East Asia Limited)

Political Affiliation : -

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)
- * Master of Social Work
- * Registered Social Worker, Hong Kong

Occupation :

- * Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Party

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Industrial (Second)

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* M.Sc., University of N.S.W., Sydney, Australia

* Ph.D., University of Saskatchewan, Canada

* P.Eng. / C.Eng.

Occupation :

* Businessman

Political Affiliation : -

Hon Margaret NG

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Legal

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * B.A., The University of Hong Kong
- * M.A., The University of Hong Kong
- * Ph.D., Boston University
- * B.A. (Law), University of Cambridge
- * P.C.LL. (Law), The University of Hong Kong
- * Barrister-at-Law

Occupation :

- * Barrister

Political Affiliation :

- * Civic Party

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * St. Paul's Co-Educational College (Primary and Secondary Levels)
- * B.A. in English, The University of Hong Kong
- * Post Graduation Diploma, Rose Bruford College of Speech and Drama, U.K.
- * A.D.B., L.R.A.M. in Drama (Teacher and Performer)

Occupation :

- * Full-time Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

- * Liberal Party

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * LL.B., The University of Hong Kong
- * Solicitor of Hong Kong Court

Occupation :

- * Solicitor

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Party

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Education

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Bachelor of Social Science, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1978)

* Registered Teacher

Occupation :

* Teacher

* Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Party

Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Hoi Luk Fung School

* San Kiu Middle School

* Chack Kwan Middle School

* Higher Diploma, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and Hong Kong Business Management Society

* B.A. in Philosophy, Guangdong Science and Research University

* University of Warwick

Occupation :

* Trade Union Officer

Political Affiliation :

* Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Hon Bernard CHAN, GBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Insurance

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Bachelor of Arts, Pomona College, California, U.S.A.

Occupation :

* President, Asia Financial Group

* President, Asia Insurance Co. Ltd.

Political Affiliation : -

Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Hong Kong Technical College (now known as The Hong Kong Polytechnic University) (1971)

Occupation :

* Full-time Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, GBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Textiles and Garment

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Bachelor of Mathematics and Computer Science, University of Illinois, U.S.A.

Occupation :

* Director, Bay Apparel Limited

* Director, Golden Emblem Investment Company Limited

Political Affiliation :

* Liberal Party

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.A. (Hons.), University of Essex, U.K.

* Post-graduate Certificate in Education, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation : Teacher

Political Affiliation :

* Neighbourhood and Workers Service Centre

* The Frontier

Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Information Technology

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * M.B.A., The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- * Bachelor of Science, The University of Hong Kong
- * Member, Hong Kong Computer Society
- * Life Member, Hong Kong Intellectual Property Society

Occupation :

- * Assistant Information Technology Project Manager

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Party

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Commercial (Second)

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * M.Sc. (Engineering), University of California, U.S.A.
- * J.D. (Law), Southland University, U.S.A.
- * Ph.D. (Engineering), California Coast University, U.S.A.

Occupation :

- * Chairman and Chief Executive, Winco Paper Products Company Limited

Political Affiliation : -

Hon WONG Yung-kan, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Agriculture and Fisheries

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Diploma in Modern Management, South China Teacher's University

Occupation :

* Fisherman

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * B.A., The University of Hong Kong (1968)
- * Cert.Ed., The University of Hong Kong (1981)
- * M.Ed., The University of Hong Kong (1983)

Occupation :

- * Full-time Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Tourism

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * B.Sc. (Economics) Part I, London University
- * British Diploma in Marketing
- * Member, Chartered Institute of Marketing, U.K.

Occupation :

- * General Manager, Industry and Hong Kong Affairs, Cathay Pacific Airways

Political Affiliation :

- * Liberal Party

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Hong Kong Island

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * B.Soc.Sc. (The University of Hong Kong)
- * M.A. (University of York, U.K.)
- * Ph.D. (The University of Hong Kong)

Occupation :

- * Assistant Professor (Department of Social Work and Social Administration, The University of Hong Kong)

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Party

Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Senior Secondary Level

Occupation :

* Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

* Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions

Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * St. Paul's College
- * Sir Robert Black College of Education
- * B.Phil., University of Exeter, U.K.
- * M.Phil., City Polytechnic of Hong Kong

Occupation :

- * Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBM, GBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - District Council

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Ling Shan College

Occupation :

* Chairman, Wing Tung Yick (Holdings) Limited

Political Affiliation :

* Liberal Party

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.A., Broadcast Journalism, University of Southern California, U.S.A.

* M.Sc., International Relations, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, U.K.

Occupation :

* Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

* The Frontier

Hon CHOY So-yuk, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Hong Kong Island

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Master of Philosophy, The University of Hong Kong (1978)
- * Bachelor of Science (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong (1974)

Occupation :

- * Merchant

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.A., M.A., M.Ed., Practising Solicitor

Occupation :

* Solicitor

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Party

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Sports, Performing Arts, Culture and Publication

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* University of Southern California, U.S.A.

Occupation :

* Merchant

Political Affiliation : -

Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * “Adult Education”, Australian National University, Centre for Continuing Education
- * “Trade Union Studies”, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, U.K.
- * Honorary Life Fellow, Institute of Commercial Management, U.K.

Occupation :

- * Trade Union Officer
- * Vice-President, Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Real Estate and Construction

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.A. and Dip.Ed., University of Sydney, Australia

Occupation :

* Company Director

Political Affiliation : -

Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Labour

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Tertiary Education

Occupation :

* Trade Union Officer

Political Affiliation : -

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Catering

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Pepperdine University (B.Sc., M.B.A.)

Occupation :

* Chairman, Goldearn Consultants Ltd.

* Chairman, Syto Trading and Investment Ltd.

* Chairman, Citiway Development Ltd.

* Deputy General Manager, World Trade Centre Club Hong Kong

* Director, Art Concept International Culture Studies Foundation Ltd.

* Independent Non-Executive Director, Wah Yuen Holdings Ltd.

Political Affiliation :

* Liberal Party

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Bachelor of Arts
- * Bachelor of Social Work
- * Master of Social Work

Occupation :

- * Full-time Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

- * League of Social Democrats

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.A. (Hons.) in Social Policy and Public Administration, Bradford University, U.K. (1982)

Occupation :

* Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

* Hong Kong Association for Democracy and People's Livelihood

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Hong Kong Island

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * St. Francis Canossian College (1960-1970)
- * St. Paul's Co-Educational College (1970-1972)
- * LL.B. (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong (1972-1975)
- * LL.M., University of London (1975-1976)
- * College of Law (Bar Finals) (1976-1977)
- * Called to the Bar in England (1977)
- * Called to the Bar in Hong Kong (1978)
- * Called to the Inner Bar in Hong Kong (1993)
- * Senior Counsel (1997)

Occupation :

- * Barrister

Political Affiliation :

- * Civic Party

Hon Vincent FANG Kang, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Wholesale & Retail

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * M.Sc. of Textiles Engineering, North Carolina State University (1969)
- * B.Sc. of Textiles Engineering, North Carolina State University (1967)
- * Wah Yan College (1962)

Occupation :

- * Chief Executive Officer, Toppo Co. (Hong Kong) Ltd.
- * Managing Director, Fantastic Garments Ltd.

Political Affiliation :

- * Liberal Party

Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Labour

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Diploma of Social Administration of The Hong Kong University School of Professional and Continuing Education
- * B.A. in Sociology, Jinan University
- * Outstanding Lifelong Learner Award, The Hong Kong University School of Professional and Continuing Education (9/2001)

Occupation :

- * Labour Service Executive Officer
- * Writer
- * Executive Officer, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions New Territories Office

Political Affiliation :

- * Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Hon LEE Wing-tat

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * St. Paul's College
- * Bachelor of Science, The University of Hong Kong
- * Certificate of Education, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation :

- * Full-time Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Party

Hon LI Kwok-ying, MH, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Tai Po Wong Shiu Chi Secondary School
- * Liverpool John Moore University, England

Occupation :

- * Solicitor

Political Affiliation :

- * Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Health Services

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Ph.D. (Social Science)

* Registered Nurse

Occupation :

* Associate Professor, The Open University of Hong Kong

Political Affiliation : -

Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Heung Yee Kuk

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Bachelor of Business Administration

Occupation :

* Company Director

Political Affiliation : -

Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Commercial (First)

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * St. Joseph's College, Hong Kong
- * Tufts University, U.S.A. (BSME)

Occupation :

- * Managing Director, Forward Winsome Industries Limited
- * Managing Director, Eltee Enterprise Limited

Political Affiliation :

- * Liberal Party

Hon MA Lik, GBS, JP (up to 8.8.2007)

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Hong Kong Island

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* B.A. (Hons), The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Occupation :

* Deputy Publisher, Hong Kong Commercial Daily

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Industrial (First)

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * B.Sc. (Hon), Leeds University,
- * Textiles Institute Fellow
- * Clothing and Footwear Institute Fellow

Occupation :

- * Merchant

Political Affiliation :

- * Liberal Party

Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * LL.B., The University of Hong Kong (1982)
- * LL.M., University of Cambridge (1984)
- * Called to the Hong Kong Bar (1983)
- * Called to the Inner Bar (1998)

Occupation :

- * Senior Counsel

Political Affiliation :

- * Civic Party

Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Form Six

Occupation :

* Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

* April Fifth Action

* League of Social Democrats

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Medical

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * M.B., B.S., The University of Hong Kong (1985)
- * Fellow, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (1990)
- * Fellow, College of Surgeons of Hong Kong (1990)
- * Fellow, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (1993)
- * Master of Arts, The University of Hong Kong (2003)

Occupation :

- * Private Urologist

Political Affiliation : -

Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Social Welfare

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Ph.D.

* Registered Social Worker

Occupation :

* Lecturer

Political Affiliation :

* Civic Party

Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, SBS, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories West

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* College

Occupation :

* Full-time Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Import and Export

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Heung To Middle School

Occupation :

* Merchant

Political Affiliation :

* Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong

Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - New Territories East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Queen's College, Hong Kong
- * LL.B. (1st Class Honours/1st of Class), The University of Hong Kong (1972)
- * B.C.L. (Honours), Oxford University (1974)
- * Holder of Simon Lee Medal in Laws, The University of Hong Kong (1972)
- * Graduate Awardee, Rotary International (1973-1974)
- * Winter-Williams Scholar of St. Edmund Hall, Oxford University (1972-1974)
- * Certificate of Honour, London Bar Final Examination (First Class Honours/1st of Candidates) (1974)
- * The Lloyd Stott Memorial Prize (1974)
- * J.B. Montagu Pupillage Prize (1974)
- * The Middle Temple Certificate of Honour Prize (1974)
- * Member of Hong Kong Bar Association
- * Member of The General Council of the Bar of England
- * Member of the New York State Bar Association of the United States of America

Occupation :

- * Senior Counsel

Political Affiliation :

- * Civic Party

Hon CHIM Pui-chung

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Financial Services

Education and Professional Qualifications :

* Secondary School

Occupation :

* Director of a number of companies

Political Affiliation : -

Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Architectural, Surveying and Planning

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * People's Republic of China Class I Registered Architect Qualification (2004)
- * Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (1989)
- * Member of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (1974-1989)
- * Member of Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (1971)
- * Honorary University Fellow, The University of Hong Kong (2006)
- * Master of Business Administration, University of East Asia (1988)
- * Bachelor of Architecture, University of Manitoba (1969)
- * The Artist of the Year Award (1999)
- * HKIA Outstanding Architect Award (1991)
- * Ten Outstanding Young Persons Award (1984)

Occupation :

- * Architect
- * Honorary Professor, Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong (2006-present)
- * Head of Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong (1996-2000)
- * Lecturer, Senior Lecturer and Professor of Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong (1973-2004)

Political Affiliation : -

Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG, JP

Constituency : Geographical Constituency - Kowloon East

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Aircraft Maintenance Engineer
- * Attended aircraft type approval endorsement courses :
 - * CONVAIR 880
 - * DC8 – 40/50/60
 - * DC10 – 30
 - * BOEING 737 – 200
 - * BOEING 727 – 100/200
 - * BOEING 747 – 200

Occupation :

- * Legislative Council Member

Political Affiliation : -

Hon KWONG Chi-kin

Constituency : Functional Constituency - Labour

Education and Professional Qualifications :

- * Bachelor of Social Sciences, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- * Bachelor of Laws, University of London
- * Master of Laws, University of London
- * Called to the Bar in England
- * Called to the Bar in Hong Kong
- * Called to the Bar in Australia

Occupation :

- * Legal Adviser, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Political Affiliation :

- * Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Hon TAM Heung-man

Constituency: Functional Constituency - Accountancy

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- * Fellow of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
- * The Chartered Institute of Taxation (Chartered Tax Adviser)
- * Fellow of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- * Member of the Taxation Institute of Hong Kong
- * B.A. (Hons), Middlesex University, U.K.

Occupation:

- * Tax Advisor

Political Affiliation:

- * Civic Party

Appendix 3

BILLS PASSED

	Bills	Gazette Date	1st Reading Date	Passage through LegCo Date
@+ 1.	Building Management (Amendment) Bill 2005	1.4.2005	27.4.2005	25.4.2007
@+ 2.	Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005	29.4.2005	11.5.2005	19.10.2006
@+ 3.	Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill	24.6.2005	6.7.2005	2.5.2007
@+ 4.	Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2006	17.3.2006	29.3.2006	27.6.2007
@+ 5.	Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel Bill	4.5.2006	17.5.2006	31.1.2007
@+ 6.	Hazardous Chemicals Control Bill	12.5.2006	24.5.2006	11.7.2007
* 7.	Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children Incorporation (Amendment) Bill 2006	19.5.2006 & 26.5.2006	21.6.2006	19.10.2006
@+ 8.	Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill 2006	23.6.2006	5.7.2006	6.12.2006
@+ 9.	Rail Merger Bill	30.6.2006	5.7.2006	8.6.2007
@+ 10.	Unsolicited Electronic Messages Bill	7.7.2006	12.7.2006	23.5.2007
#+* 11.	City University of Hong Kong (Amendment) Bill 2006	25.8.2006	19.10.2006	14.6.2007
12.	District Councils (Amendment) Bill 2006	8.12.2006	20.12.2006	17.1.2007
@+ 13.	Employment (Amendment) Bill 2006	8.12.2006	20.12.2006	2.5.2007
@+ 14.	Housing (Amendment) Bill 2007	19.1.2007	31.1.2007	13.6.2007
@+ 15.	Shenzhen Bay Port Hong Kong Port Area Bill	6.2.2007	7.2.2007	25.4.2007
16.	Appropriation Bill 2007	28.2.2007	28.2.2007	18.4.2007
@+ 17.	Tsing Sha Control Area Bill	30.3.2007	18.4.2007	27.6.2007
18.	Import and Export (Amendment) Bill 2007	4.4.2007	18.4.2007	23.5.2007
+ 19.	Revenue Bill 2007	20.4.2007	2.5.2007	13.6.2007
20.	Revenue (No.2) Bill 2007	20.4.2007	2.5.2007	23.5.2007
21.	Supplementary Appropriation (2006-2007) Bill	1.6.2007	13.6.2007	4.7.2007

Bills	Gazette Date	1st Reading Date	Passage through LegCo Date
* 22. The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Declaration of Morningside College and S.H. Ho College as Constituent Colleges) Bill	1.6.2007 & 8.6.2007	13.6.2007	4.7.2007

- + Indicates that a Bills Committee was formed for the Bill
- @ Bill passed with CSAs moved by Administration
- # Bill passed with CSAs moved by Members
- * Member's Bill

**Date of Council meeting,
Subject and Mover**

Wording of Motion and Result

I. MOTIONS PASSED

18 October 2006

"Opposing the introduction of a Goods and Services Tax" moved by
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

amendment moved by
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po

18 October 2006

"Introducing legislation to regulate clandestine photo-taking" moved by
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen

amendment moved by
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

amendments to amendment moved by
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

The original motion: "That this Council opposes the introduction of a Goods and Services Tax." was passed.

The motion as amended by Hon Albert HO Chun-yan: "That, as there are from time to time complaints about serious invasion of personal privacy by some media organizations and earlier on, peep photos of a female artiste changing her clothes had been taken and published by a magazine which seriously invaded the privacy of the artiste and trampled on women's dignity, thereby causing a great public outcry; this Council urges the Government to expeditiously take measures, including:

- (a) reviewing the imposition of sentence under the existing Control of Obscene and Indecent Articles Ordinance and its overall implementation so that penalty with deterrent effect is imposed on the offenders;
- (b) studying the proposals on criminalizing the invasion of privacy, establishing a self-regulating commission and enacting additional civil tort law on privacy on the basis of the recommendations made by the Law Reform Commission on the protection of personal privacy in March this year and December 2004, and encouraging in-depth discussion among the media, the performing arts sector and the general public about the contents of the bill concerned; and
- (c) urging the media to exercise more self-discipline,

so as to strike a proper balance between protection of personal privacy and freedom of the press." was passed.

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"Public service broadcasting for Hong Kong" moved by
Hon SIN Chung-kai

The motion: "That this Council notes the Report on the Study of Public Service Broadcasting for Hong Kong and urges the Government to consider the findings therein." was passed.

8 November 2006

"Implementing a licensing regime for property management companies and establishing a Building Affairs Tribunal" moved by
Hon CHOY So-yuk

amendments moved by
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung

(amendment proposed by **Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip** was withdrawn)

The motion as amended by Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit and Hon James TO Kun-sun: "That, in order to enhance the existing building management standard, avoid malpractices and effectively deal with disputes involving the management of private buildings (including those public housing estates and Home Ownership Scheme courts the management of which has been outsourced to private management companies), this Council urges the Government, apart from clearly defining the powers and responsibilities of the parties concerned in the Building Management Ordinance and by establishing a mechanism for amending extremely unreasonable provisions in the deed of mutual covenants, to expeditiously implement a licensing regime for property management companies and, through preventing conflict of interests and enhancing financial transparency, to strengthen their regulation and ensure fair competition in the property management market and, at the same time, establish a Building Affairs Tribunal to streamline and speed up the handling of the increasing disputes among owners, developers, owners' corporations and property management companies; and conduct a study on establishing a mechanism to assist small property owners in resuming their management right in the situation of the existence of a sub-deed of mutual covenant so as to safeguard their interests." was passed.

15 November 2006

"Cooperation between Hong Kong and the Pan-Pearl River Delta region" moved by
Hon WONG Ting-kwong

amendments moved by
Hon Howard YOUNG
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah

amendment to amendment moved by
Hon CHAN Kam-lam

The motion as amended by Hon Howard YOUNG, Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah and Hon CHAN Kam-lam: "That, as Pan-Pearl River Delta ('PPRD') regional cooperation is an important and integral part to the implementation of the National Eleventh Five-Year Plan, and it offers enormous business opportunities for the development of Hong Kong, while at the same time posing great difficulties and challenges to the Hong Kong businessmen in the Pearl River Delta ('PRD'), this Council urges the Government to take proactive measures to promote the cooperation between Hong Kong and the PPRD region, including:

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- (a) joining hands to improve the air quality in the PPRD region;
- (b) promoting the development of the financial industries in both places for mutual benefits;
- (c) striving to reduce the operating costs of the shipping industries in both places, with a view to enhancing competitiveness and promoting mutual development;
- (d) strengthening the cooperation in tourism to attract more tourists;
- (e) stepping up the efforts of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council in promoting brands of Hong Kong to the PPRD region and vice versa;
- (f) offering incentives to attract Mainland enterprises to set up regional headquarters and engage in various investment activities in Hong Kong;
- (g) assisting in the development of a set of standardized commercial terms for the PPRD region;
- (h) stepping up negotiations to expedite the construction of transport facilities linking Guangdong, and expeditiously implementing the plan to construct the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge;
- (i) increasing the Hong Kong SAR Government's expenditure on research and development ('R&D');
- (j) setting up a restructuring fund to assist Hong Kong businessmen in upgrading and transforming their businesses;
- (k) promoting the setting up of an 'applied research, science and technology fund' jointly by Hong Kong and Guangdong for the Greater PRD;
- (l) establishing an applied science and technology research institute and a R&D centre for the Greater PRD; and

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- (m) reflecting to the relevant Mainland departments that, prior to the introduction of major commercial laws and regulations in the Mainland, Hong Kong businessmen should be notified as early as possible and given sufficient cushion periods; and
- (n) strengthening the exchange and cooperation between the two places in such areas as the rule of law and corporate governance, with a view to raising the economic and corporate governance levels in both places and, by doing so, further optimizing the business environment of Hong Kong and nurturing more talents for the territory,

so as to assist Hong Kong in developing new areas for economic growth, enhancing its competitiveness, facilitating economic restructuring and better complementing the country's economic development." was passed.

15 November 2006

"Assisting people with disabilities in integrating into society" moved by
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

amendments moved by
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG
Chiu-hung

The motion as amended by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung: "That, as motions were passed by this Council in the 2002-2003, 2003-2004 and 2005-2006 sessions calling for improvement to transport facilities for people with disabilities and the offer of concessionary fares to them, this Council requests the Administration to expeditiously adopt effective measures to fulfil the following demands:

- (a) examining the existing legislation and, if necessary, introducing legislative amendments or enacting laws to press various public transport operators to offer public transport half-fare concessions to people with disabilities, or making reference to overseas experience to provide transport subsidy for them and considering extending the concessions to their escorts;
- (b) allocating additional resources to expeditiously improve the Rehabus service, including increasing the number of such vehicles and strengthening the service;
- (c) requesting various public transport operators to draw up specific plans and timetables for improving their facilities to reduce the barriers to people with disabilities, so that they can have easy access to all major public transport facilities;

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- (d) introducing rehabilitation taxis, which are easy to board and alight for wheelchair-bound persons; and
- (e) implementing in all government departments and public bodies a voluntary quota system for employing people with disabilities, requesting them to set indicators for and report annually on the employment of the disabled, as well as encouraging the private sector to follow suit,

so as to enable more people with disabilities to integrate into society, with a view to achieving the objective of 'A Society for All' promoted by the Government." was passed.

29 November 2006

"Relief measures and compensation policies for the live poultry trades"
moved by
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

The motion: "That, as the Government is determined to implement central slaughtering of live poultry, which will permanently damage the live poultry trades, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously discuss with the trades to formulate a scheme that enables exit from the trades with reasonable compensation, having regard to the circumstances of live poultry farmers, wholesalers, retailers, transporters and workers; furthermore, prior to the implementation of central slaughtering of live poultry, if there is a need to suspend the import of live poultry and birds from the Mainland in the event of an outbreak of avian influenza there, in order to prevent the trades from being severely hit, this Council urges the Government to introduce the following relief measures:

- (a) setting up an emergency relief fund to provide assistance or low interest loans to the trades, so as to tide them over the difficult times;
- (b) granting a rent waiver to tenants of the Government's wholesale and retail markets; and
- (c) providing emergency financial assistance to workers who are not employed on a long-term basis." was passed.

6 December 2006

"Strengthening Hong Kong's capability in immediate transshipment" moved by

The motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai: "That, in order to tie in with the National Eleventh Five-Year Plan and promote the continuous development of the local logistics industry, this

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Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon LEE Wing-tat

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Council urges the Government to take proactive measures in the aspects of policy, transportation network, infrastructure and information system, with a view to strengthening Hong Kong's capability in immediate transshipment, including:

- (a) in the policy aspect, supporting the development of immediate transshipment, such as formulating a comprehensive plan for logistics development, exploring, with due security and legal consideration, the implementation of the co-location of immigration and customs facilities at the Hong Kong airport and striving to reduce various operating costs of the logistics industry;
- (b) in the aspect of transportation network, enhancing the efficiency of immediate transshipment, such as increasing the number of flight movements at the airport, formulating policies on the air traffic management of the Pearl River Delta region and perfecting the land transportation network, as well as proactively developing cross-boundary intelligent transport systems with the relevant departments in the Mainland;
- (c) in the aspect of infrastructure, augmenting the throughput of immediate transshipment, such as expeditiously constructing the third runway at the airport, Container Terminal 10, Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, logistics park, Regional Express Line and the Liantang Control Point; and
- (d) in the aspect of information system, optimizing immediate transshipment services, such as establishing a common electronic platform for customs clearance at the Pan-Pearl River Delta ('PPRD') region and further encouraging the logistics industry to adopt the radio frequency identification technology,

so as to seize the opportunities brought about by the economic development of the PPRD and strengthen the position of Hong Kong's logistics industry." was passed.

13 December 2006

"Release of CHING Cheong" moved

The motion as amended by Hon Howard YOUNG: "That this Council urges the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and other persons

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by
Hon James TO Kun-sun

amendment moved by
Hon Howard YOUNG

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"Increasing the Government's share in the investment income of the Exchange Fund" moved by
Hon Howard YOUNG

amendment moved by
Hon CHAN Kam-lam

10 January 2007

"Enhancing the efficacy of the management of public finances" moved by
Hon TAM Heung-man

amendments moved by
Hon SIN Chung-kai
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung

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to make every effort to assist CHING Cheong in obtaining medical parole on humanitarian grounds." was passed.

The motion as amended by Hon CHAN Kam-lam: "That this Council urges the Government to revise the existing agreement between the Government and the Hong Kong Monetary Authority on the methodology for sharing the investment income of the Exchange Fund, so as to allocate more investment income of the Exchange Fund to the Government, and ensure that there is stable government revenue from the investment income; in determining the level of additional investment income of the Exchange Fund to be allocated to the Government, the principle of keeping expenditure within the limits of revenues in drawing up the budget, striving to achieve a fiscal balance, avoiding deficits and keeping the budget commensurate with the growth rate of the gross domestic product must be strictly followed." was passed.

The motion as amended by Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung: "That, as the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government's fiscal surplus for this year is anticipated to substantially exceed its expected target, this Council urges that the Government, when drawing up the 2007-2008 Budget, apart from continuing to uphold the principle of fiscal prudence whereby expenditure and savings are effected as necessary, striving to cut expenditure and improve efficiency as well as enhancing the efficacy of the management of public finances, should also explicitly stipulate the appropriate level of fiscal reserves, improve the investment return rate of the Exchange Fund and explore how the fiscal surplus in 2006-2007 can be properly returned to the people through various feasible measures, including reducing the tax rates, particularly to relieve the difficulties encountered by the middle class, striving to improve the business environment, enhancing the competitiveness of enterprises and strengthening support for small and medium enterprises." was passed.

The motion as amended by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki and Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo: "That, as the number

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"Non-local pregnant women giving birth in Hong Kong" moved by
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long

amendments moved by
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

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"Policy on conservation of monuments" moved by
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

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of Mainland pregnant women giving birth in Hong Kong has multiplied since the CHONG Fung-yuen case in 2001, public hospital services are so overloaded that local pregnant women are unable to receive the public health care services to which they are entitled, and Hong Kong's health care services, population, education, housing, social welfare, etc are also adversely affected, this Council urges the Government to immediately:

- (a) provide additional resources for the Hospital Authority to tackle the problems brought to Hong Kong's entire public health care system by the large number of Mainland pregnant women flocking to Hong Kong to give birth, as well as to alleviate the tremendous work pressure on frontline health care workers; and
- (b) conduct a comprehensive study on the implications of the large number of Mainland pregnant women giving birth in Hong Kong on the territory's various public services and financial commitments, and formulate feasible and effective policies and measures to re-allocate public resources, so as to resolve the problems brought about by Mainland pregnant women giving birth in Hong Kong;
- (c) collect information in order to understand the future implications on the territory of the large number of non-local pregnant women giving birth in Hong Kong;
- (d) crack down on the syndicates which arrange for the Mainlanders to overstay in Hong Kong to wait for childbirth, so as to resolve the problems brought about by non-local pregnant women giving birth in Hong Kong; and
- (e) provide additional public resources to ensure that the health care services for local pregnant women will not be affected." was passed.

The motion as amended by Hon WONG Kwok-hing, Hon CHOY So-yuk and Hon Howard YOUNG: "That, as the policies and laws on the protection and conservation of antiquities and monuments in Hong Kong are imperfect, and the demolition of the Central Star Ferry Pier by the Government has aroused wide

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concern in the community, which reflects an increasing public awareness of and participation in the conservation of antiquities and monuments, preservation of cultural environment and good town planning, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) reform the policies and laws on the protection and conservation of antiquities and monuments on the basis of comprehensive consultation, and formulate a timetable for legislative amendments;
- (b) establish a fund on protection and conservation of antiquities and monuments to enhance the protection and conservation of antiquities and monuments, as well as for repair, education and promotion work;
- (c) formulate codes for the evaluation of social benefits and proper consultation procedures setting out in detail the cost-effectiveness of various options and their impact on antiquities and monuments;
- (d) formulate criteria for the preservation of collective memories, community sights and regional cultural characteristics;
- (e) establish a mechanism for the participation of such concern groups as District Councils, professional bodies and resident groups as well as the public in the decision-making process of town planning and community redevelopment;
- (f) consider providing economic incentives to private property owners, including adopting such means as acquisition, land exchange and transfer of plot ratios, to preserve more privately-owned monuments and prevent them from being demolished;
- (g) make reference to the sponsorship policies on antiquities and monuments, including sponsorship by individuals, enterprises and communities, etc, which have been implemented for many years in such countries as the UK, the USA and France, so as to pave a new way for the protection and conservation of antiquities and monuments in Hong Kong; and

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- (h) draw from the successful experience in revitalizing antique buildings, such as the derelict industrial park on Vancouver's Granville Island, Japan's Otaru warehouses and the Taipei Story House, to promote multi-faceted development in humanities, history education, art, creative industries, tourism and community involvement, etc, thereby creating more employment opportunities; and
- (i) conduct a comprehensive and extensive consultation on the built heritage conservation policy and expeditiously formulate a proper built heritage conservation policy, with the aim of striking a balance between heritage conservation and urban development, so as to facilitate a sustainable and balanced development of the community." was passed.

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"Retaining and supporting the development of commercial districts and bazaars with local characteristics" moved by

Hon Vincent FANG Kang

amendments moved by

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

amendment to amendment moved by

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

The motion as amended by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki, Dr Hon YEUNG Sum and Hon Albert HO Chun-yan: "That, as a number of Hong Kong's commercial districts and bazaars with local characteristics have been relocated or cleared in recent years due to the redevelopment of old areas and hence have fallen into decline, and the existence and development of many other similar commercial districts and bazaars are also facing the same threats, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) retain the existing commercial districts and bazaars with local characteristics at the town planning stage, with their integrity and in situ development as principles as far as possible, and allow local residents and affected traders to participate in the development or renewal plans, so as to facilitate sustainable development of the economy of the community, and to enhance public consultation to allow greater public participation;
- (b) formulate special management rules and regulations to balance the need to retain such commercial districts and bazaars and that for urban development and environmental hygiene; and
- (c) make reference to the practices of major cities in the Mainland and overseas, such as Singapore's

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Chinatown, London's Covent Garden and Shunde's Old Town district, and provide support and assistance through various policy bureaux for the development of such distinctive commercial districts and bazaars, so as to enhance their vitality, promote the local business economy and ensure that local characteristics are passed on." was passed.

24 January 2007

"Fully safeguarding the safety of food supply to Hong Kong" moved by
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

amendments moved by
Hon WONG Yung-kan
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

amendment to amendment moved by
Hon WONG Ting-kwong

The motion as amended by Hon WONG Yung-kan, Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki and Hon WONG Ting-kwong: "That, as the food safety incidents which occurred successively in recent years have revealed that the regulatory departments have failed to effectively perform their gate-keeping roles and the food regulatory laws in Hong Kong are flawed with loopholes, and there is a lack of a comprehensive food safety policy and food safety standards, thereby subjecting the public to food safety hazards, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously adopt measures to fully safeguard the safety of food supply to Hong Kong, including:

- (a) drawing up a legislative timetable for prescribing standards for pesticide and chemical residues in vegetables and fruits;
- (b) enacting legislation on a permission system for imported foods, including setting up a licensing system for food importers, setting comprehensive food safety standards, strictly regulating the use of drugs and chemicals, their residue contents as well as the microbe counts and heavy metal contents in foods, etc, implementing mandatory inspection and testing at border control points, clearly specifying the penalties for non-compliance, and expeditiously bringing live fish, egg products, vegetables and fruits into the regulatory ambit;
- (c) establishing a food supply chain tracking mechanism, and introducing legislation on withdrawal from sale and recall of problematic foods to enable food surveillance and control at source, so as to achieve the objective of ensuring food safety 'from farm to fork';
- (d) reviewing the composition, functions and

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operation of existing food safety regulatory departments, with a view to raising their professional standards and enabling them to more effectively perform the gate-keeping roles required of them; and

- (e) perfecting the food safety notification mechanisms between Hong Kong and the Mainland as well as other places of origin of foods, and strengthening cooperation with the Mainland in combating the import of foods into Hong Kong through irregular channels,

and comprehensively consult the relevant trades; the Government should also expeditiously adopt the following measures:

- (f) encouraging and allowing more local and international experts as well as members of the agriculture, fisheries and food industries to participate in the work of the Expert Committee on Food Safety in order that the Centre for Food Safety can operate in a more professional manner, and drawing up reference benchmarks for food safety policies and standards which are suitable for Hong Kong and recognized by the international community, so as to ensure effective and comprehensive food safety management 'from farm to fork';
- (g) enhancing the dissemination of information on food safety so that consumers can grasp such information expeditiously, and providing educational and training programmes run by officials responsible for food safety management, so as to promote the awareness of safeguarding food safety; and
- (h) organizing, supporting and encouraging the technological research and collaborative efforts of the food industry and academic bodies in the area of food safety." was passed.

24 January 2007

"Urging the Government to make effective use of the surplus and plough it back into the community" moved by **Hon SIN Chung-kai**

The motion as amended by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee and Hon WONG Kwok-hing: "That, as the disparity between the rich and the poor in Hong Kong continues to aggravate, whereas the Government's finance returned to the surplus last year and the target fiscal surplus for this year will be attained, and the

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amendments moved by
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee
Hon WONG Kwok-hing

(amendments proposed by
Hon CHAN Kam-lam and Hon Mrs
Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun were
withdrawn)

(amendment to amendment proposed
by **Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing**
was withdrawn)

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Government further anticipates a very robust financial position with a fiscal reserve exceeding \$400 billion by 2012, this Council urges that, having regard to the existing improved economic and financial situation, the Government should accord priority to alleviating the disparity between the rich and the poor and protecting the interests of the grass-roots workers and the disadvantaged groups before reducing salary tax to alleviate the burden on the middle class, and target at facilitating Hong Kong's long term development by making effective use of the surplus and investing more resources in:

- (a) setting up a children's development fund to provide opportunities for children from low-income families to participate in extra-curricular activities;
- (b) granting travelling allowance to the low-income groups residing in remote areas to relieve the problem of working poverty;
- (c) promoting the development of social enterprises by providing them with one-stop support, training and consultancy services, as well as offering them seed money, short-term rent remission and tax concessions;
- (d) shortening the waiting time for care places for the elderly;
- (e) allowing the elderly to use public medical services at half price;
- (f) implementing cross-boundary and large-scale infrastructure projects to create jobs;
- (g) implementing small class teaching to improve the quality of education;
- (h) offering loans to associate degree graduates to study abroad, so as to nurture talents; and
- (i) implementing a green tax to encourage environmental protection by the public through economic incentives;
- (j) relaxing the limit of absence from Hong Kong to one year in respect of the Old Age Allowance;

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- (k) allowing tax deduction on loan repayment to various student financial assistance schemes;
- (l) raising the allowance for the first two children to \$50,000 and creating an allowance for unemployed dependent parents or grandparents aged over 50;
- (m) providing every household with a deduction of \$5,000 on rates; and
- (n) offering employees a tax concession of up to \$1,000 for voluntary contributions to the Mandatory Provident Fund." was passed.

31 January 2007

"Assisting in the transformation of factory buildings" moved by
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG
Shuk-yee

The motion: "That, as factories have been relocated to the north in large numbers and the economy of Hong Kong has totally shifted towards being dominated by service industries, which has resulted in a high vacancy rate of local factory buildings and has turned some traditional industrial districts into 'stricken areas', which is a tremendous waste of social resources, this Council urges the Government to adopt in a timely and appropriate manner more flexible policies to assist in the transformation of traditional factory buildings, so as to adapt to the present economic and commercial development situation, which include:

- (a) reviewing afresh and amending the definitions of 'industrial use' and 'factory' in the relevant legislation and policies;
- (b) on the premise of meeting building safety requirements, enhancing the coordination among relevant departments to provide one-stop services, so as to streamline and expedite the processing and approval of applications by factory building owners for changing the use of land or factory buildings; and
- (c) at town planning level, encouraging overall planning for vacated factory buildings in old industrial areas, such as developing theme areas for creative industries, electrical appliance cities and merchandizing cities,

so that trades other than the traditional industries can

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"A comprehensive review on mental health policy" moved by

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

amendments moved by

Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG

Chiu-hung

Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long

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also make use of factory buildings for their development, with a view to revitalizing old industrial areas, reviving community economy and creating more employment opportunities." was passed.

The motion as amended by Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long: "That, as the number of consultations by psychiatric patients in Hong Kong increases significantly every year and the annual number of consultations and first consultations at the psychiatric specialist out-patient service of public hospitals also rises drastically, but the Government fails to provide adequate support in this respect, resulting in a serious shortage of resources and health care personnel in psychiatric services at present and dire challenges for prevention, diagnosis, treatment, medication, hospitalization and rehabilitation services, as well as patients being denied more suitable medicines and better treatment, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) expeditiously conduct a comprehensive review on Hong Kong's mental health policy and regularly conduct studies and reviews, as well as make appropriate adjustments in the light of the relevant results, so as to support and upgrade mental health services;
- (b) allocate more resources to psychiatric services for recruiting more health care and other specialist personnel, strengthening relevant training for health care personnel across the board, enhancing the ability of family doctors to treat relevant illnesses and improving the existing psychiatric services in such areas as prevention, diagnosis, treatment, medication, hospitalization and rehabilitation;
- (c) strengthen community psychiatric services, enhance the functions of community psychiatric health care teams and provide primary mental health services in areas such as prevention, education and assessment;
- (d) integrate and coordinate the territory's medical and community rehabilitation services in mental health, and explore a new funding mechanism, so that the public can enjoy more comprehensive mental health services;

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- (e) invite people concerned across the community, including frontline health care personnel, patients and their family members, social workers, social welfare organizations, academics and other people who are concerned about mental health in Hong Kong, to jointly take part in the formulation and review of the overall mental health policy; and
- (f) enhance public education on mental health, so as to deepen the public's understanding of mental health, cause them to pay proper attention to the importance of mental health and reduce discrimination of the community against mental patients and ex-mental patients." was passed.

7 February 2007

"Expediently implementing the construction of cross-boundary transport infrastructures between Hong Kong and the Mainland" moved by

Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming

amendments moved by

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Hon WONG Kwok-hing

The motion as amended by Hon Albert HO Chun-yan: "That, as the Government has announced its Action Agenda to tie in with the National Eleventh Five-Year Plan and fully affirmed the importance of cross-boundary cooperation between Hong Kong and the Mainland, this Council urges the Government to expedite the construction of various cross-boundary transport infrastructures between Hong Kong and the Mainland, such as the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link, Liantang Eastern Corridor and Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, and to resume the ferry services between Shatin and Eastern Guangdong, etc; at the same time, the Government should expediently review and expedite the construction of ancillary facilities for cross-boundary transport infrastructures within Hong Kong's territory, including:

- (a) Route 10 (Northern Section), the Tuen Mun Western Bypass, Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link, Tuen Mun Eastern Bypass and the easterly link road connecting Deep Bay Link with Route 3, and taking proactive measures to optimize the use of Route 3; and
- (b) expediently completing the extension of Tuen Mun Road and widening part of its expressway section to four-lane carriageway;

to comprehensively enhance the integration with the Mainland's transport infrastructures, so as to promote sustainable and steady development of Hong Kong's

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"Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation" moved by
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

economy." was passed.

The motion: "That this Council notes the Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation which was published in the Gazette as Legal Notice No. 20 of 2007 and laid on the table of the Legislative Council on 28 February 2007." was passed.

14 March 2007

"Legislating against the use of artificial trans fats in food production" moved by
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG

The motion as amended by Hon Fred LI Wah-ming: "That, as the health problems caused by trans fats in food have increasingly aroused international concern, and cardiovascular disease is the second leading cause of deaths in Hong Kong, with medical research also revealing that consumption of food containing trans fats will increase the risk of contracting coronary heart disease, and given that some countries such as Denmark have legislated as early as 2003 to prescribe the permissible maximum level of trans fats in food, the use of artificial trans fats in food production in restaurants will also be gradually banned in places such as New York, Chicago and Massachusetts to safeguard public health, this Council urges the Government to follow the practice of these places to expeditiously legislate against the use of artificial trans fats in food production in local restaurants, to prescribe the permissible maximum level of trans fats for all imported and locally produced food, and to expeditiously legislate for the Labelling Scheme on Nutrition Information and, when implementing Phase I of the Scheme, require the trans fats contents in food to be listed on the package labels for identification by consumers." was passed.

amendment moved by
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

(amendment proposed by **Hon Vincent FANG Kang** was withdrawn)

25 April 2007

"Overseas experience in air quality control, management of municipal solid waste, renewable energy and total water management" moved by
Hon CHOY So-yuk

The motion: "That this Council notes the Report of the Delegation to Study Overseas Experience in Air Quality Control, Management of Municipal Solid Waste, Renewable Energy and Total Water Management and urges the Government to consider the findings therein." was passed.

25 April 2007

"Protecting the right of the Chinese victims to demand compensation from Japan" moved by
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

The motion: "That this Council strongly requests that in interpreting the China-Japan Joint Statement (1972) and the China-Japan Peace and Friendship Treaty (1978), the Japanese Government and the relevant authorities must not unilaterally affirm that the two aforesaid agreements have nullified the right of the Chinese people to demand compensation from the

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2 May 2007

"Increasing the number of local university places" moved by
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

amendment moved by
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen

Japanese Government and corporations in respect of personal losses and sufferings arising from the war crimes committed during the Second World War ('WWII'), and that the Chinese people have, under these two agreements, given up their right to demand such compensation, and demands the Japanese Government to expeditiously legislate for the making of righteous compensation to the victims of the war crimes committed during the WWII; this Council also urges the Central Government to take measures to protect the right of the Chinese people victimized by the war crimes committed during the WWII to demand compensation from Japan and provide them with humane care." was passed.

The motion as amended by Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen: "That this Council urges the Government to increase university places across the board, including those of publicly-funded and private universities, so as to provide more opportunities for local young people in the appropriate age group to attend universities, and in addition to opening up more channels for outstanding graduates of sub-degree courses to pursue further studies, provide opportunities to more non-local students to attend universities in Hong Kong, so as to facilitate Hong Kong's development into an education hub of the region and cater for the social, education and economic development needs of Hong Kong, and to enable Hong Kong's human resources development to better tie in with the National Eleventh Five-Year Plan and subsequent plans in the Mainland, thereby training more talents in various sectors such as finance, trade, logistics, tourism and culture for Hong Kong." was passed.

9 May 2007

"Combating unscrupulous shops" moved by
Hon LAU Kong-wah

amendments moved by
Hon Howard YOUNG
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

amendment to amendment moved by
Hon SIN Chung-kai

The motion as amended by Hon Howard YOUNG and Hon SIN Chung-kai: "That, in view of the recent cases of Mainland tourists being cheated while shopping in Hong Kong which have aroused wide concern, this Council urges the Government to adopt active measures to rigorously combat unscrupulous shops ripping off customers and to strengthen the regulation of the tourism industry, in order to restore the confidence of tourists coming to Hong Kong for shopping, including:

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- (a) fully implementing the eight regulatory measures promulgated earlier by the China National Tourism Administration, including conducting regular inspections and imposing severe penalties on non-compliant travel agents, so as to thoroughly combat the problems arising from zero-fare and negative-fare tours;
- (b) prohibiting outbound travel agents in the Mainland from imposing additional charges on tour members for leaving the tour group before completion of the itinerary;
- (c) vigorously publicizing to tourists the risks involved in ‘arranged shopping’ tours and the protection available to them;
- (d) expeditiously allowing Hong Kong’s reputable travel agents to operate Hong Kong and Macao tours in Guangdong Province, with a view to upgrading in the long run the quality of tourism services in the Mainland;

On the local front:

- (e) studying whether there is a need for the consolidation of the provisions relating to protecting consumer rights and interests in the existing legislation into a Protection of Consumer Rights and Interests Ordinance;
- (f) comprehensively reviewing the existing legislation on protecting consumer rights and interests, and tightening up regulation to cover the marketing practices of alluding to particular brands or misleading the customers;
- (g) enhancing the regular inspections and ‘undercover’ operations carried out by the Police and the Customs and Excise Department to crack down on shops engaging in fraudulent practices and selling fake products;
- (h) requesting the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong (TIC) to set up a complaint website, so that Mainland tourists may lodge complaints through the website after their departure from Hong Kong, and installing television facilities at border

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crossing points to publicize tourism information, as well as cooperating with telecommunications companies to provide inbound and outbound tourists with information such as the complaint hotline via mobile telephone short message service;

- (i) expeditiously discussing with the TIC the introduction of a demerit point system to regulate travel agents and tour guides;
- (j) if the complaints are substantiated, fully disclosing the parties involved in complaint cases, including the names of shops, the local and Mainland travel agents, as well as the tour guides concerned; and
- (k) discussing with the industry the introduction of a tour guide fee system." was passed.

23 May 2007

"Policies on sustainable urban development and green buildings"
moved by

Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing

amendment moved by

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

The original motion: "That, in view of the United Nations' earlier warning that within this century, global warming will cause hundreds of millions of people to face disasters such as fresh water shortage, famine, flooding, diseases, and the rise in sea level will even pose a threat to the coastal lands in Asia including the Pearl River Delta region, from which Hong Kong can hardly be immune; in order to alleviate the greenhouse effect arising from imbalanced urban development and to eliminate the adverse effects of undesirable high-density building developments on weather and the environment, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate and implement policies on sustainable urban development and green buildings, including:

- (a) reviewing the existing legislation relating to urban planning and buildings, and introducing sustainable planning and green building principles;
- (b) studying the formulation of a Code of Practice for introducing a 'green building labelling' system, and fully assessing the environmental performance of buildings during the design stage and after their being put to use on the basis of energy efficiency, greening ratio, air ventilation, renewable energy, household waste treatment and design parameters which are conducive to good

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weather and urban environment; and

- (c) the Government and public organizations taking the lead in fully applying the relevant policies to both new and existing public buildings, educating the public, and offering incentives to actively promote market compliance,

so as to alleviate the impact of global warming on Hong Kong and to build a pleasant city which is sustainable through the implementation of policies on urban development and green buildings that are conducive to good weather and environment." was passed.

23 May 2007

"Safeguarding the safety of live and fresh food" moved by
Hon TAM Yiu-chung

amendments moved by
Hon Vincent FANG Kang
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

(amendment to amendment proposed
by **Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan**
was withdrawn)

The motion as amended by Hon Vincent FANG Kang and Hon Fred LI Wah-ming: "That, as the Hong Kong SAR Government has indicated that legislation will be enacted within the current year to strengthen the control of imported poultry eggs and cultured aquatic products, while the Mainland Government has, with effect from 1 April this year, strengthened its inspection and quarantine management system for vegetables supplied to Hong Kong, including designating supply farms, implementing label identification and lead-seal control, and regularizing certification and voucher management, etc, and such requirements will be extended to fruits and melons on 1 July and 1 October respectively; furthermore, quarantine and seal identification measures for vessels carrying fresh water fish from Guangdong Province to Hong Kong have also been enforced since 1 May, so as to eradicate the smuggling of fish into Hong Kong; however, so far the Hong Kong SAR Government has not yet made any import quarantine arrangements and complementary management measures, nor has it publicized the Mainland Government's new regulations to the public, hence making it possible for unscrupulous traders to exploit Hong Kong's import quarantine and market management loopholes and bring unquarantined live and fresh food into the territory for sale in the market, thereby endangering the public's health, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously adopt measures to complement the Mainland's new management regulations for food supplied to Hong Kong, and fully safeguard the safety standards of live and fresh food in the territory, including:

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- (a) enacting a set of comprehensive live and fresh food safety law to bring live and fresh food such as vegetables and fruits, aquatic products and poultry eggs, etc, into the regulatory ambit, prescribing relevant food safety standards according to international practices and local needs, and enforcing import quarantine at border control points, as well as implementing the arrangement for all live and fresh food to be distributed in the Government's wholesale food markets, so as to ensure the safety of imported live and fresh food; while enacting the above legislation, setting up at the same time an emergency relief fund for the live and fresh food industry to provide, in the event of adversity in the industry, emergency assistance to the affected trades, so as to tide them over the difficult times;
- (b) implementing a food importer registration scheme and requiring food importers to keep their import and sales records, so as to enhance the enforcement authorities' ability to trace the sources and destinations of food;
- (c) disseminating information about the new regulations promulgated by the Mainland Government and the list of designated food supply bases to the trade, and uploading such information onto the Government's website, so as to enhance the awareness of the trade and the public; and
- (d) strengthening liaison with the local trade to assess the impact of the new regulatory measures implemented by the Mainland and Hong Kong on the operations of the trade, and assisting the trade in making adaptation;

besides, the Government should also assist in improving the mode of operation of local agricultural and breeding farms, so as to increase the supplies of safe and high quality local agricultural and fishery products, and assist Hong Kong businesses which invest in agriculture and fishery industries in the Mainland in obtaining priority for reverse export of their standards-compliant products to Hong Kong for sale in the market; and study the expansion of the Man Kam To Food Control Office, step up random inspection of vehicles carrying vegetables and fruits to

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"Fostering the development of the tourism industry" moved by
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung

amendments moved by
Hon WONG Kwok-hing
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming
Hon TAM Heung-man
Hon CHAN Kam-lam

amendments to amendments moved by
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen
Hon Howard YOUNG

reduce the chance of vegetables and fruits from unknown sources being brought into Hong Kong, and further promote organic farming, including rendering more technical support to farmers and assisting the trade in expanding the market." was passed.

The motion as amended by Hon CHAN Kam-lam and Hon Howard YOUNG: "That, Hong Kong is a cosmopolitan city popular among tourists all over the world, and the SAR Government has all along supported the development of the local tourism industry, which being one of the four pillars of the local economy, should have had immense room for development; however, as most travel agencies in Hong Kong are small and medium enterprises operating on narrow profit margins and have recently been affected by some negative factors, coupled with the internal conflicts in the industry, the tourism industry is encountering difficulties in business operation; as such, this Council urges the Government to face up to the problems and discuss with the industry measures to enhance the level of professional services and promote the long-term development of the industry, which include:

- (a) providing more training courses by the Government to upgrade the quality of professional services of the employees in the tourism industry, in particular that of the tourist guides;
- (b) consolidating the level playing field and free business environment for the tourism industry;
- (c) urging the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong to expeditiously introduce an indemnity insurance system for the tourism industry in order to strengthen the protection for the industry and tourists and considering extending the function of the Travel Industry Compensation Fund for such purpose;
- (d) communicating with the representatives of travel agencies and tourist guides to study the feasibility of introducing a basic salary system for tourist guides; and
- (e) rigorously combating unscrupulous shops and penalizing the non-compliant travel agencies so

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6 June 2007

"Commission on Children" moved by
**Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG
Chiu-hung**

as to enhance the service standard of the tourism industry." was passed.

The motion: "That this Council urges the Government to set up a Commission on Children to fulfill the obligations under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, safeguard the well-being of children, and ensure that children's perspectives are fully taken into account in the process of formulating government policies." was passed.

6 June 2007

"Concern about students with special educational needs" moved by
Hon Bernard CHAN

The motion: "That, as integrated education in Hong Kong is currently implemented by a whole-school approach, and as some schools do not have sufficient complementary facilities and adequate training for frontline teachers, and they have to take care of too many types of students with special needs, the result achieved is not proportionate to the efforts made; for example, although some autistic students have excellent learning abilities, not only do they fail to exploit their strengths in class, their social adjustment and communication difficulties also make it difficult for teachers to deal with their behaviour, emotions and discipline in class, this Council urges the Government to deploy more resources to mainstream schools which admit students with special educational needs, so as to consolidate the foundation of such students for learning and help them integrate into mainstream education as soon as possible." was passed.

13 June 2007

"Promoting the sustainable development of the local agriculture and fisheries industries" moved by
Hon WONG Yung-kan

amendments moved by
**Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming**

(amendment proposed by **Hon
WONG Kwok-hing** was withdrawn)

amendment to amendment moved by
Hon Vincent FANG Kang

The motion as amended by Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, Hon Fred LI Wah-ming and Hon Vincent FANG Kang: "That, as recently laboratory tests on food in Hong Kong have successively detected the presence of harmful substances, and furthermore, Hong Kong people are showing increasing enthusiasm for nature in their living and dietary habits, and have become more concerned about the safety and supply of food, which should have brought about opportunities for developing modern agriculture and fisheries industries in Hong Kong, yet in recent years the Government's policies have adversely affected the local agriculture and fisheries industries, particularly the development of livestock farms, thereby posing a threat to the industries' development, this Council urges that the Government should have regard to the prevailing circumstances and formulate a policy for promoting the sustainable development of the agriculture and fisheries industries, with measures

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targeted at various sectors of the industries to upgrade their quality, assist in their transformation and perfect the regulatory system, including:

- (a) in collaboration with the Mainland, actively promoting an ‘agricultural test base’ scheme to be modelled on the ‘accredited farm’ system, and allowing farmers who have voluntarily surrendered their livestock farming licences to continue their operations in the Mainland, and export their produce to Hong Kong under the Hong Kong quota at a quantity determined according to their previous farming capacity in Hong Kong, so as to maintain a stable supply of live and fresh food to the territory;
- (b) actively promoting the development of off-shore capture fishery through financial and policy support, conserving in-shore ecological resources, and assisting in-shore fishermen in transforming their operations, so as to improve their livelihood;
- (c) further developing the local quality aquaculture industry, and studying the development of Hong Kong into a distribution centre for aquatic products, so as to keep in tune with the global development trend of the aquaculture industry;
- (d) further promoting the concept of organic food, expediting the implementation of the Organic Farming Conversion Scheme, establishing a regulatory labelling system for organic produce and opening up sales and marketing channels, so as to promote the development of organic farming in Hong Kong;
- (e) perfecting the regulatory system for the local agriculture and fisheries industries to ensure that local agricultural and fishery products are of high quality and safe;
- (f) stepping up efforts to promote the development of the agriculture and fisheries industries in the direction of integrating with leisure and recreation, so as to meet the needs of the public; and
- (g) studying whether a monopoly currently exists in

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the supply of livestock imported from the Mainland, after comprehensively consulting the relevant industries, discussing with the Mainland authorities how to safeguard the interests of consumers in Hong Kong by opening up the market." was passed.

20 June 2007

"Policy on nursing manpower"
moved by

Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long

amendment moved by

**Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG
Chiu-hung**

The motion as amended by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung: "That, despite the increasing demand for health care services in Hong Kong in recent years because of the continuous ageing of the population, the Government has failed to work out a long-term plan for nursing human resources, resulting in a significant shortage of nurses over the years, and the lack of promotion prospects in public hospitals has led to low morale and persistent wastage of nurses; moreover, the Hospital Authority has recently projected that the number of nurses would still fall short of the demand in the coming years; and it is even more difficult for the social welfare sector to recruit nursing staff due to the implementation of the Lump Sum Grant (LSG) subvention system, thus seriously affecting the quality of elderly and rehabilitation services; in view of the above factors, this Council is worried that the quality of nursing services in public hospitals and in the social welfare sector will decline and therefore urges the Government to expeditiously implement the following measures to maintain the quality of nursing services in Hong Kong:

- (a) devising a comprehensive and long-term plan for nursing human resources for general and psychiatric services as well as for the social welfare sector, including a comprehensive survey on the manpower demand for nurses;
- (b) immediately conducting a comprehensive review of the LSG subvention system implemented in the social welfare sector, and ensuring that sufficient nursing staff can be recruited in the market by organizations providing elderly and rehabilitation services with a view to enhancing service quality;
- (c) formulating an appropriate manpower ratio between nurses and clients of nursing care for public hospitals as well as for elderly and rehabilitation services;

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- (d) allocating more resources to the training of nurses and increasing the places for degree programmes on nursing;
- (e) improving the pay and promotion prospects of nurses in public hospitals and in the social welfare sector to curb the wastage of nurses; and
- (f) facing up to the problem of 'de-nursing', in particular the common practice of assigning health workers to undertake certain nursing duties in the social welfare sector, and ensuring that nursing services are provided by nurses to clients of nursing care." was passed.

27 June 2007

"Elderly in poverty" moved by
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

amendment moved by
**Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG
Shuk-yee**

The original motion: "That this Council endorses the Report on Elderly in Poverty by the Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty and urges the Government to implement the recommendations therein." was passed.

27 June 2007

"Lowering the Mandatory Provident Fund management fees" moved by
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

amendments moved by
**Hon SIN Chung-kai
Hon WONG Kwok-hing**

(amendment proposed by **Hon CHAN Kam-lam** was withdrawn)

amendment to amendment moved by
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen

(amendment to amendment proposed by **Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung** was withdrawn)

The motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai and Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen: "That, in view of the current relatively high management fees charged under the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) schemes and their less than satisfactory investment returns, this Council urges the Government to immediately adopt relevant measures and create favourable conditions, including changing the practice of employers selecting the MPF trustees to allowing employees to choose their own MPF trustees for their own contributions, and adding new provisions to the Code on Disclosure for MPF Investment Funds to require MPF trustees to further disclose the levels of fees and charges for various constituent funds, so as to promote competition in the MPF management market and facilitate comparison by employees participating in the MPF schemes, thereby effectively lowering the management fees of the MPF schemes, and appropriately increase the variety and flexibility of their investments as well as strengthen the monitoring of their investment performance, with a view to preventing the erosion of the hard-earned money contributed to the MPF by both employees and employers, and enhancing the effectiveness of the MPF in providing protection to employees' retirement

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4 July 2007

"Strengthening the regulation of unscrupulous business practices in pay television, telecommunications and internet services" moved by
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

amendments moved by
Hon WONG Kwok-hing
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

life." was passed.

The motion as amended by Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing: "That, as the complaints about unscrupulous business practices in pay television, telecommunications and internet services have been on the rise in recent years, this Council urges the Government to review the existing mechanism, strengthen the regulation of the business practices of providers of such services, examine the extension of section 7M of the Telecommunications Ordinance, which regulates misleading or deceptive conduct of telecommunications operators, to cover pay television, and introduce a cooling-off period, a procedure for contract verification and standard terms in the contracts, so as to safeguard the rights and interests of consumers." was passed.

4 July 2007

"Developing environmental industries to create job opportunities" moved by
Hon KWONG Chi-kin

amendments moved by
Hon CHOY So-yuk
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

The motion as amended by Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung: "That, as the increasing amount of waste in Hong Kong in recent years has exerted heavy pressure on landfills and the over-exploitation of global resources has led to tight supply of certain resources, such objective conditions have created opportunities for the development of environmental industries; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to formulate a comprehensive policy on environmental industries, which includes:

- (a) expeditiously implementing the Producer Responsibility Scheme to develop the work processes and economic activities relating to the recovery, disassembling, and recycling and reuse of resources;
- (b) strengthening publicity and education to enhance public awareness of waste separation, so as to increase the types and amount of recovered waste;
- (c) comprehensively implementing separation and recovery of wet and dry waste so as to pave the way for the recycling and reuse of commercial and domestic food waste; for example, the Government procures fertilizers converted from locally recovered food waste for use on plants grown in gardens and on roadsides;
- (d) retaining and setting up recovery stations and

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complementary facilities for wet and dry waste in various districts to facilitate the waste collectors' midway collection, sorting and transportation of waste;

- (e) expediting the vetting and approval work of the tendering of the EcoPark to facilitate the development of recycling industries and expeditiously taking forward Phase II of the EcoPark development plan;
- (f) establishing a high-level inter-departmental industries facilitation council to formulate more effective strategies to support environmental recovery industries;
- (g) implementing a green procurement policy and requiring all departments and contractors to comply with it, so as to provide a steady outlet for green products and services; and implementing a green certification system for such products and services to facilitate the Government, private organizations and the public to identify those green products and services that meet the certification requirements when making procurement;
- (h) subsidizing the research and development of environmental industries, upgrading the technology, as well as improving the production environment of such industries, and building up a professional image for the industries, so as to attract more people to take up the related work; and
- (i) assisting small and medium enterprises to participate in those environmental industries with prospects, and allowing social enterprises to join in, on the premise that they do not compete with the private sector for profits,

thereby promoting the economic development of environmental industries and creating related job opportunities." was passed.

11 July 2007

"Rights and interests of ethnic minorities" moved by

The motion as amended by Hon CHOY So-yuk: "That, as the Administration has failed to provide the necessary support and protection for some 300 000 ethnic minorities in Hong Kong, and many of them

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amendment moved by
Hon CHOY So-yuk

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have encountered difficulties on various fronts, creating barriers to their development and integration into the Hong Kong community, this Council urges the Administration to adopt measures to protect the rights and interests of ethnic minorities, including:

- (a) on the education front, allocating additional resources to increase the number of designated schools in various districts which admit more non-Chinese speaking primary and secondary students and to provide appropriate support to the schools concerned and, at the same time, offering a curriculum and public examination for the subject of Chinese Language which are suitable for students of ethnic minorities, so that such students who are not proficient in Chinese can have equal opportunities to further their studies in schools, especially universities, and in employment;
- (b) in respect of young people of ethnic minorities, allocating additional resources to strengthen social services for young people of ethnic minorities, and assisting those who are beyond school age to complete secondary and vocational education;
- (c) on the employment front, conducting vocational training courses and trade tests in English or the languages of ethnic minorities according to their needs, relaxing the entry requirement in respect of Chinese proficiency in the recruitment of staff by the Government and public sector organizations, and arranging for suitable posts to be filled by ethnic minorities as far as practicable, and also providing information on job vacancies in both Chinese and English and setting up a dedicated employment counter by the Labour Department to assist ethnic minorities visiting the Department in seeking employment and making enquiries about labour laws as well as workers' rights and interests;
- (d) on the public services front, providing free interpretation service for ethnic minorities using public services, such as public healthcare, social and employment services, etc;
- (e) on the religion and culture fronts, providing

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venues and other facilities in the districts in which a larger number of ethnic minorities resided in for conducting religious and cultural activities and, at the same time, enhancing civic education to promote public understanding of and respect for the cultures of ethnic minorities;

- (f) appointing ethnic minorities with ability to public organizations or advisory bodies, such as the Equal Opportunities Commission, so as to reflect the aspirations of ethnic minorities;
- (g) ensuring, by means of comprehensive legislation and complementary measures, that ethnic minorities are not discriminated against; and
- (h) setting up a comprehensive database to collect, in a systematic and focused manner, data relating to ethnic minorities in such areas as employment, education, use of public services, religion and culture, with a view to understanding their needs and thereby formulating a well-thought out policy to facilitate the integration of ethnic minorities into the Hong Kong community." was passed.

11 July 2007

"Developing co-operative relationship with the Mainland" moved by
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

amendments moved by
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

The motion as amended by Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee: "That, as Hong Kong's relationship with the Mainland is increasingly close since its reunification with the motherland, and experience has proved that enhancing co-operation between the two places can bring about a mutually beneficial and win-win effect, this Council urges the Government to continue to develop its co-operative relationship with the Mainland on all fronts, especially on issues concerning immigration policies, environment, air quality and food safety, and to set up a co-operation mechanism which is permanent and efficient, covering more areas and levels, to undertake overall planning, co-ordination and policy formulation on important issues concerning co-operative development." was passed.

II. MOTIONS NEGATIVED

25, 26 and 27 October 2006

"Motion of Thanks" moved by
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye

The original motion: "That this Council thanks the Chief Executive for his address." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.

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amendments moved by
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

1 November 2006

"Minimum wage, standard working hours" moved by
Hon WONG Kwok-hing

amendments moved by
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

The original motion: "That, as the 2006-2007 Policy Address proposes to launch a Wage Protection Movement for employees in the cleansing and guarding services sectors, but participation in the movement is entirely voluntary and employers who do not participate are not bound by it, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously:

- (a) apply the Trade Boards Ordinance to specify a minimum wage level and the rates of overtime pay, starting with the cleansing and guarding services sectors; and
- (b) regulate the number of working hours, reasonable rest breaks during working hours and the rates of overtime pay, so as to ensure that employees have sufficient time for rest and studies." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negated.

8 November 2006

"Opening up the airwaves" moved by
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

The motion: "That, while the airwaves should be the common asset of all people, only two sound broadcasting licences have so far been issued by the Government, subjecting the public's speech to unreasonable restrictions and rendering many organizations and individuals unable to disseminate their messages through the airwaves; with the forum for speech diminishing, some members of the public have even set up community radio stations on their own in recent years, but these radio stations have been shut down by the Administration; furthermore, many members of the community have over the years requested the early establishment of public access radio and television channels, so that the public's right to access the airwaves will not be deprived; in view of the above, this Council urges the Government to amend the Broadcasting Ordinance expeditiously to implement the following measures:

- (a) opening up the airwaves to allow the public to operate radio stations on their own, so as to make available diversified broadcasting services;
- (b) opening up public access television channels at an early date; and

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	(c) fully implementing digital broadcasting at an early date to increase the number of broadcasting channels." was negatived.
22 November 2006	The original motion: "That this Council urges the Government to actively study the feasibility of establishing a leisure, gaming and entertainment complex on Lantau, and to conduct extensive consultation in this regard." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.
"Leisure, gaming and entertainment complex" moved by Hon James TIEN Pei-chun	
amendment moved by Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit	
amendment to amendment moved by Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye	
22 November 2006	The original motion: "That this Council considers the year 2012 appropriate for electing the Chief Executive by universal suffrage." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.
"Electing the Chief Executive by universal suffrage" moved by Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah	
amendment moved by Hon Howard YOUNG	
29 November 2006	The original motion: "That this Council considers the year 2012 or before appropriate for electing all Members of the Legislative Council by universal suffrage." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.
"Electing the Legislative Council by universal suffrage" moved by Hon LEE Cheuk-yan	
amendment moved by Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip	
6 December 2006	The original motion: "That this Council urges the Government to expeditiously initiate studies and public consultation with a view to promoting law reforms, public policies and measures that are conducive to the development of party politics." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.
"Promoting the development of party politics" moved by Hon Margaret NG	
amendment moved by Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong	
20 December 2006	The original motion: "That this Council urges the Central Government not to interfere in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region's internal affairs, including the Chief Executive election, and urges the
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Administrative Region's internal affairs" moved by

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

amendment moved by

Hon Howard YOUNG

7 February 2007

"Urging the Housing Authority to grant rent remission to public rental housing tenants and expeditiously reduce the rent" moved by

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

amendment moved by

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

7 March 2007

"Creating job opportunities and improving the income of elementary workers" moved by

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

amendments moved by

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit

Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen

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"Strengthening the supervision of railway safety" moved by

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

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Administration to make every effort to defend the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region's high degree of autonomy and Hong Kong people ruling Hong Kong under 'one country, two systems'." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negated.

The original motion: "That, as the income of public rental housing ('PRH') tenants has dropped as a result of the economic downturn in earlier years, but the Housing Authority ('HA') has not reduced the rent of PRH, and during the period from 1998, when rent increases began to be suspended, to 2005, the income index of PRH households has dropped by about 15% while their median household monthly income has fallen by more than 20%, this Council urges the HA to expeditiously reduce the rent by 15% to 20% in accordance with the level of reduction in the income of PRH tenants, and grant a two-month rent remission to compensate for the extra amount of rent that PRH tenants have paid over the years." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negated.

The original motion: "That, despite the revival of Hong Kong's economy for a considerable period of time, the job market still suffers from serious structural imbalance and, without minimum wage protection, the income of workers is polarized, which has led to the widening of the disparity between the rich and the poor and the worsening of inter-generational poverty, this Council urges the Government to develop a diversified economy, such as promoting local community culture and creative industries, etc; at the same time, the Government should make changes to the relevant policies to facilitate the promotion of social enterprises, thereby increasing job opportunities and easing the oversupply of workers in the elementary labour market; in addition, the Government should provide more training opportunities to working youths and middle-aged people to enhance their competitiveness." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negated.

The original motion: "That, as the railway network in Hong Kong is continuously expanding with part of the railway systems starting to age, and in view of the recent serious West Rail incident as well as the incidents and delays involving the railway systems that occurred from time to time in the past few years, which

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have aroused public concern about the safety of railway operations, this Council urges the Government to strengthen its supervision of the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation and the MTR Corporation Limited ("railway corporations") and to adopt the following measures, in order to safeguard the safety of the public and ensure that the railway systems are capable of providing efficient, effective and safe services:

- (a) creating the post of Commissioner for Railway Safety with the responsibilities to advise, conduct studies, make assessments and propose improvement measures on the various safety issues of the railway systems (including daily maintenance, system safety, train operations, etc), as well as to lead the work of the Railway Inspectorate;
- (b) expanding the current staff establishment and powers of the Railway Inspectorate to assist the Commissioner for Railway Safety in discharging his duties;
- (c) introducing a demerit points system for situations such as disruptions, delays and system failures in train services, and setting objective and clear standards for the service performance of the railway corporations;
- (d) including the number of hours of service disruptions or delays resulting from railway incidents, the number of affected passengers and the number of the resultant casualties as factors to be considered when assessing annually whether the services of the railway corporations have attained the required standards;
- (e) reviewing and improving the existing maintenance work of the railway systems, and requesting the railway corporations to allocate additional resources to their maintenance departments;
- (f) reviewing and improving the current feeder service arrangements and the contingency procedures in the event of train service disruptions or delays owing to incidents, so as to strengthen the capability of the railway corporations to cope with emergencies;

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- (g) reviewing and upgrading the fire service equipment and means of escape provided along all the railways and inside the train cars;
- (h) requesting the railway corporations to give more training and support to the frontline maintenance staff, and requiring them to provide sufficient rest breaks for the staff, so as to enhance their morale and service quality;
- (i) requiring the railway corporations to provide radio reception services along all the railways (including the tunnels), so as to ensure that the public can obtain information on railway incidents and emergency arrangements more promptly; and
- (j) requesting the railway corporations to install screen doors or automated gates at the platforms of all railway stations so as to ensure the safety of passengers." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negated.

2 May 2007

"Conserving the Queen's Pier"
moved by

Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit

amendments moved by

**Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG
Shuk-yee**

Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming

The original motion: "That, given the grave concerns expressed by various sectors of the community about the preservation of the Queen's Pier in Central, and for the effective conservation of the Queen's Pier, this Council urges the Government to immediately adopt the Principles for the Conservation of Heritage Sites in China approved by the Central People's Government in 2000 and to undertake to adopt 'conservation in-situ, minimal interference, preservation of the original condition and protection of the heritage environment' as the principles for formulating and expeditiously implementing the most effective proposal for preserving the Queen's Pier in-situ, including proper adjustments to the current works projects and designs of future projects to avoid damaging the existing structure of the Queen's Pier, so as to minimize the impact of works projects on the present site of the Queen's Pier." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negated.

9 May 2007

"Improving the planning for Hong Kong and reducing screen-like buildings" moved by

Hon WONG Kwok-hing

amendments moved by

The original motion: "That, despite the planning guidelines provided in the existing Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines on building density, layout, urban design and air ventilation etc, such guidelines are not legally binding, resulting in the recent emergence of a large number of screen-like buildings, which not only affect the air ventilation and lighting, etc of the neighbouring areas but also bring

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16 May 2007

"Promoting entrepreneurship"
moved by
**Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU
Yau-fun**

amendments moved by
**Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG
Chiu-hung
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan**

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adverse impact on the planning of ancillary facilities, such as transport and public realm, for the entire community; in view of the above, this Council urges the Government to thoroughly review the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines, consider introducing legislative measures to regulate the density and height of buildings, air ventilation and lighting, etc, and, at the same time, protect the ridgelines and harbour view, so as to ensure better planning for Hong Kong." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.

The original motion: "That this Council urges the Government to develop and promote entrepreneurship, and nurture on all fronts the public's understanding and development of entrepreneurial qualities, so that Hong Kong can become a city with the spirit and culture of entrepreneurship to meet the challenges of the 21st century, and the proposals include:

- (a) establishing the importance of entrepreneurship to the development of an individual and the society;
- (b) developing education on entrepreneurship by incorporating the elements of entrepreneurship into the curriculum of all levels of basic education and university education, thereby making entrepreneurship an integral part of whole-person development;
- (c) enhancing the business sector's recognition and awareness of their corporate social responsibilities, promoting and establishing a platform of cooperation between the business and education sectors, as well as examining the provision of incentives to encourage the business sector to jointly participate in promoting entrepreneurship; and
- (d) laying a solid foundation for the development of a society with entrepreneurship, which includes providing favourable social conditions for promoting the development of creativity and innovative thinking, and taking forward the direction and modes of life-long learning to promote self-enhancement in a systematic manner." and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.

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30 May 2007

"The 4 June incident" moved by
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming

The motion: "That this Council urges that: the 4 June incident be not forgotten, the 1989 pro-democracy movement be vindicated, the civil rights movement be supported, and a constitutional democracy be established." was negated.

13 June 2007

"Transforming Radio Television Hong Kong to become the Hong Kong Public Broadcasting Corporation" moved by
Hon LEE Wing-tat

The original motion: "That, as the review report published by the Committee on Review of Public Service Broadcasting recommends the formation of a public broadcaster independent of the government structure, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously review the future role, positioning and development direction of Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK), actively study the feasibility of transforming RTHK to become the Hong Kong Public Broadcasting Corporation, and conduct public consultation on the results of the review and the study." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negated.

amendment moved by
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

20 June 2007

"Demonstrating the people's power on 1 July" moved by
Hon James TO Kun-sun

The original motion: "That this Council appeals to all the people of Hong Kong to demonstrate the people's power once again on 1 July this year to fight for the building of a society of democracy, prosperity and social justice for Hong Kong." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negated.

amendment moved by
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming

III. MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

13 December 2006

Motion for adjournment moved by
**Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG
Chiu-hung**

The motion: "That this Council do now adjourn for the purpose of debating the following issue: Demolition of the clock tower at the Star Ferry Pier." was negated.

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Panel on Home Affairs Subcommittee on Heritage Conservation

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Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting
Hon LI Kwok-ying
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing
Hon TAM Heung-man

Panel on Home Affairs Subcommittee on Human Rights Protection Mechanisms

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan (Chairman)
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
Hon CHOY So-yuk
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung

Panel on Home Affairs Subcommittee to Follow Up the Outstanding Leisure and Cultural Services Projects of the Former Municipal Councils

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Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
Hon CHOY So-yuk
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung
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Panel on Planning, Lands and Works Subcommittee to Review the Planning for the Central Waterfront (including the Tamar Site)

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Hon CHOY So-yuk
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting

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Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit
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Panel on Security

Subcommittee on Review of Existing Statutory Provisions on Search and Seizure of Journalistic Material

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Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah
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Hon WONG Yung-kan
Hon Howard YOUNG
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Panel on Transport

Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways

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Panel on Welfare Services

Subcommittee on Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme

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Subcommittee on Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation

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Hon CHAN Yuen-han

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Subcommittee on Fugitive Offenders (Malaysia) (Amendment) Order 2007 and Fugitive Offenders (Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism) Order

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Subcommittee on Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation (Revision of Licence Fees) Regulation 2007

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(Miscellaneous) Order 2007***

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Subcommittee on Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007, Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007 and Technical Memorandum on Procedures and Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Trade Effluents

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Appendix 5 Membership of Legislative Council Committees
(By Members)

	Finance Committee Establishment Subcommittee	Finance Committee Public Works Subcommittee	Committee on Members' Interests	Public Accounts Committee	Committee on Rules of Procedure
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun	✓				✓
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan					
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai	✓	C			
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan					
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming					✓
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po	✓				
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming		✓			
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah					
Hon Margaret NG	✓				DC
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee		✓			✓
Hon James TO Kun-sun		✓			
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong	✓	✓			
Hon CHAN Yuen-han		✓			
Hon Bernard CHAN					
Hon CHAN Kam-lam		✓			
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun			C		
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung					
Hon SIN Chung-kai	✓		DC		
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong				C	
Hon WONG Yung-kan	✓				
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing		✓			C
Hon Howard YOUNG	✓				
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum	✓				
Hon LAU Chin-shek					
Hon LAU Kong-wah		✓		✓	
Hon LAU Wong-fat					
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee		✓			
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing			✓		✓
Hon CHOY So-yuk		✓			
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo		✓		✓	
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting					
Hon TAM Yiu-chung		✓			
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Hon LI Fung-ying	C				✓
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan					
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip		✓			
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee					
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee					
Hon Vincent FANG Kang					
Hon WONG Kwok-hing	DC				
Hon LEE Wing-tat		✓			
Hon LI Kwok-ying		✓	✓		
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long					
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung		✓			✓
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung				✓	
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)	✓				✓
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen					
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit		DC	✓		
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung					
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki	✓				
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung					
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming		✓			
Hon WONG Ting-kwong	✓				
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah					✓
Hon CHIM Pui-chung					
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing	✓	✓			✓
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG			✓	✓	
Hon KWONG Chi-kin	✓				✓
Hon TAM Heung-man		✓		DC	
Total	17	22	7	7	12

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Membership of Bills Committees

	BC on Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill	BC on Attachment of Income Order (Application to Government and Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2007	BC on Building Management (Amendment) Bill 2005	BC on City University of Hong Kong (Amendment) Bill 2006	BC on Civil Justice (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2007	BC on Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2006	BC on Domestic Violence (Amendment) Bill 2007	BC on Domicile Bill	BC on Employment (Amendment) Bill 2006	BC on Energy Efficiency (Labelling of Products) Bill	BC on The English Schools Foundation (Amendment) Bill 2007	BC on Hazardous Chemicals Control Bill	BC on Housing (Amendment) Bill 2007	BC on Mainland Judgments (Reciprocal Enforcement) Bill
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun														
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan		✓	✓				✓						✓	
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai				✓										
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan	✓			✓			✓		✓				✓	
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming								✓(3)	✓					✓
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po														
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming										✓			✓	
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah										✓				
Hon Margaret NG	✓	✓	✓		C	✓	✓		✓					C
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye			✓			✓			✓				C	
Hon James TO Kun-sun		✓	C		✓		✓	C						✓
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong				✓										
Hon CHAN Yuen-han	✓	✓					✓		✓				✓	
Hon Bernard CHAN						✓	✓						✓	
Hon CHAN Kam-lam						✓							✓	
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun														
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung	✓								✓				✓	
Hon SIN Chung-kai	✓						C			✓		✓		
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong						✓								
Hon WONG Yung-kan													✓	
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing	✓		✓					✓	✓		✓			
Hon Howard YOUNG														
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum				✓		✓	✓				C			
Hon LAU Chin-shek														
Hon LAU Kong-wah														
Hon LAU Wong-fat														
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye		✓(1)	✓				✓	✓					✓	DC
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing			✓	C			✓			✓	✓		✓	
Hon CHOY So-yuk		C	✓				✓			✓		C		
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo	✓		✓						✓					
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting						✓								
Hon TAM Yiu-chung	C						✓							
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him			✓							✓	✓		✓	
Hon LI Fung-ying	✓						✓		✓					
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan	✓			✓(2)							✓		✓	
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip			✓										✓	
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee													✓	
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee			✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	C	✓	✓		✓
Hon Vincent FANG Kang	✓					✓			✓	✓				
Hon WONG Kwok-hing			✓				✓		✓				✓	
Hon LEE Wing-tat													✓	
Hon LI Kwok-ying			✓		✓	✓							✓	✓
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long	✓												✓	
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung													✓	
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung						✓			✓					
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)														
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen	✓					✓			✓			✓		✓
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit			✓				✓		✓				✓	
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung	✓		✓				✓		✓				✓	
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki														
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung	✓			✓			C		✓		✓		✓	
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming													✓	
Hon WONG Ting-kwong	✓					✓			✓	✓			✓	
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah					✓	✓	✓						✓	✓
Hon CHIM Pui-chung						✓							✓	
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing			✓	✓		✓							✓	
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG						✓					✓			
Hon KWONG Chi-kin							✓		C					
Hon TAM Heung-man			✓			✓					✓			
Total	16	6	18	8	4	18	20	5	19	9	9	4	26	8

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- (1) Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye (since 23.7.2007)
(2) Hon Tommy Cheung Yu-yan (since 10.11.2006)
(3) Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming (since 30.4.2007)

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Membership of Bills Committees (... continued)

	BC on Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill 2007	BC on Patents (Amendment) Bill 2007	BC on Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill 2006	BC on Race Discrimination Bill	BC on Rail Merger Bill	BC on Revenue Bill 2007	BC on Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel Bill	BC on Shenzhen Bay Port Hong Kong Port Area Bill	BC on Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2007	BC on Tsing Sha Control Area Bill	BC on Unsolicited Electronic Messages Bill
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun			C			✓					
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan					✓						
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai					✓						
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓					
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming				✓							
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po											
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming			✓								
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah	✓			✓	✓						
Hon Margaret NG		✓	✓(4)	C			C	✓	C		
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye				✓	✓						
Hon James TO Kun-sun				✓			✓	✓	✓		✓
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong				✓							
Hon CHAN Yuen-han	✓			✓		✓					
Hon Bernard CHAN				✓				✓			
Hon CHAN Kam-lam	C				✓	C					
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun											
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung	✓				✓						
Hon SIN Chung-kai	✓	C			✓	✓					✓
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong								✓			
Hon WONG Yung-kan								✓			
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing				✓			✓				✓
Hon Howard YOUNG				✓		✓		✓			C
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum				✓							
Hon LAU Chin-shek											
Hon LAU Kong-wah					✓			C		C	
Hon LAU Wong-fat											
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye					C			✓		✓	
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing				✓	✓			✓	✓		✓
Hon CHOY So-yuk			✓	✓							
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo					✓			✓		✓	
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting											
Hon TAM Yiu-chung	✓				DC			✓			
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him				DC	✓	✓		✓			
Hon LI Fung-ying	✓			✓	✓						
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan	✓				✓	✓					
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip				✓	✓						
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee											
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee	✓		✓	✓							
Hon Vincent FANG Kang						✓					
Hon WONG Kwok-hing	✓		✓		✓					✓	
Hon LEE Wing-tat					✓					✓	
Hon LI Kwok-ying	✓	✓			✓			✓			
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long											
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung			✓	✓							
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung				✓	✓						
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)											
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen	✓							✓			✓
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit	✓			✓		✓					
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung					✓			✓			
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki											
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung	✓			✓	✓						
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming					✓			✓		✓	
Hon WONG Ting-kwong	✓	✓		✓		✓					✓
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah				✓	✓			✓		✓	✓
Hon CHIM Pui-chung					✓			✓			
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing					✓						
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG											
Hon KWONG Chi-kin					✓			DC			
Hon TAM Heung-man	✓			✓	✓	✓					
Total	17	4	7	24	29	12	3	16	6	7	8

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(4) Hon Margaret Ng (up to 4.10.2006)

Membership of Panels

	Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services	Panel on Commerce and Industry	Panel on Constitutional Affairs	Panel on Economic Services	Panel on Education	Panel on Environmental Affairs	Panel on Financial Affairs	Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene	Panel on Health Services	Panel on Home Affairs	Panel on Housing	Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting	Panel on Manpower	Panel on Planning, Lands and Works	Panel on Public Service	Panel on Security	Panel on Transport	Panel on Welfare Services
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun			✓	✓			✓			✓				✓				✓
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan			✓				✓			DC	✓			✓		✓		✓
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai			✓	✓			✓							✓			✓	
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan			✓		✓								✓		✓			✓
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming	✓		✓			✓												
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po				✓			✓											
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming				✓				DC	✓		✓	✓						
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah		✓	C	✓								✓		✓		✓		
Hon Margaret NG	C		✓												✓	✓		
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye			✓		✓				✓		✓						✓	
Hon James TO Kun-sun	✓						✓			✓	✓			✓	✓	DC		
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong			✓		✓					✓	✓				✓	✓		
Hon CHAN Yuen-han			✓						✓		✓		✓					C
Hon Bernard CHAN			✓				DC		✓		✓			✓				✓
Hon CHAN Kam-lam		✓		✓			C				✓			✓				
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun		✓	✓						✓		✓			✓	✓			✓
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung			✓		✓					✓			✓					
Hon SIN Chung-kai		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓					DC						
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong			✓							✓						✓		
Hon WONG Yung-kan			✓			✓		✓						✓		✓		
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing	✓		✓		C							✓	✓					
Hon Howard YOUNG			✓	✓								✓			C	✓		
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum			✓		DC				✓		✓							✓
Hon LAU Chin-shek				✓									C				✓	
Hon LAU Kong-wah			✓			✓										C	✓	
Hon LAU Wong-fat			✓							✓				C				
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye	✓			✓		✓								✓			✓	
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing	✓		✓		✓	DC	✓			✓		✓				✓		
Hon CHOY So-yuk			✓			✓				C				✓		✓		
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo								✓	✓	✓			✓				C	
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting		✓	✓							✓		✓		✓				
Hon TAM Yiu-chung			DC		✓			✓							✓			✓
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him			✓	DC	✓		✓				✓			✓				
Hon LI Fung-ying			✓						✓				✓		DC		✓	✓
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan					✓			C			✓		✓				✓	✓
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip										✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee											✓		✓					✓
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee	✓		✓		✓	C			✓							✓		
Hon Vincent FANG Kang		C		✓				✓	✓					✓				
Hon WONG Kwok-hing			✓					✓			✓		✓		✓		✓	
Hon LEE Wing-tat			✓			✓					C			✓			✓	
Hon LI Kwok-ying	✓								✓	✓	DC			✓				
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long								✓	C	✓	✓							
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung			✓							✓				✓		✓		
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung		✓		C		✓	✓										✓	
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)	DC		✓		✓													
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen		✓		✓	✓		✓						✓			✓		
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit			✓					✓			✓		✓	✓				✓
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung			✓								✓		✓			✓	✓	✓
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki			✓				✓		DC					✓				✓
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung					✓				✓	✓								DC
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming			✓							✓				✓			DC	
Hon WONG Ting-kwong		DC	✓	✓			✓			✓								
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah		✓	✓	✓			✓					✓					✓	
Hon CHIM Pui-chung		✓	✓	✓			✓									✓		
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing			✓		✓					✓	✓			DC				
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG												C						
Hon KWONG Chi-kin			✓	✓									DC		✓			
Hon TAM Heung-man				✓		✓	✓			✓								
Total	9	11	40	19	16	11	16	10	14	19	19	10	14	23	10	16	15	14

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Membership of Subcommittees of Panels

	Panel on Home Affairs Subcommittee on Heritage Conservation	Panel on Home Affairs Subcommittee on Human Rights Protection Mechanisms	Panel on Home Affairs Subcommittee to Follow Up the Outstanding Leisure and Cultural Services Projects of the Former Municipal Councils	Panel on Planning, Lands and Works Subcommittee to Review the Planning for the Central Waterfront (including the Tamar Site)	Panel on Security Subcommittee on Review of Existing Statutory Provisions on Search and Seizure of Journalistic Material	Panel on Transport Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways	Panel on Welfare Services Subcommittee on Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme	Panel on Welfare Services Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Family Violence
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun								
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan		C		✓	✓		✓	✓
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai						✓		
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan							✓	✓
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming								
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po								
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming								
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah					✓			
Hon Margaret NG					✓			
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye						✓		
Hon James TO Kun-sun	✓	✓			C			
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong								
Hon CHAN Yuen-han							✓	✓
Hon Bernard CHAN								
Hon CHAN Kam-lam				✓				
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun								✓
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung								
Hon SIN Chung-kai								
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong					✓			
Hon WONG Yung-kan				✓	✓			
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing					✓			
Hon Howard YOUNG								
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum								
Hon LAU Chin-shek								
Hon LAU Kong-wah						✓		
Hon LAU Wong-fat	✓		✓	C				
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye						C		
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing	✓	✓	✓					
Hon CHOY So-yuk	C	✓	✓	✓				
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo						✓		
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting	✓		✓	✓				
Hon TAM Yiu-chung							✓	✓
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him				✓				
Hon LI Fung-ying								✓
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan						✓		
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip			✓	✓		✓		
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee							✓	
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee					✓			
Hon Vincent FANG Kang								
Hon WONG Kwok-hing						✓		
Hon LEE Wing-tat				✓		✓		
Hon LI Kwok-ying	✓		C					
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long								
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung	✓		✓	✓	✓			
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung						✓		
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)								
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen								
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit				✓			✓	✓
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung				✓			✓	✓
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki				✓				
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung	✓	✓					C	C
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming	✓		✓	✓		✓		
Hon WONG Ting-kwong			✓					
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah						✓		
Hon CHIM Pui-chung								
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing	✓		✓					
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG								
Hon KWONG Chi-kin								
Hon TAM Heung-man	✓							
Total	11	5	10	13	9	12	8	9

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Membership of Subcommittees on Subsidiary Legislation

	Subcommittee on Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation	Subcommittee on Building Management (Fee Revision) Regulation 2007	Subcommittee on Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2007 and Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Commencement) Notice 2007	Subcommittee on Food Business (Amendment) Regulation 2006	Subcommittee on Fugitive Offenders (Germany) Order and Fugitive Offenders (Republic of Korea) Order	Subcommittee on Fugitive Offenders (Malaysia) (Amendment) Order 2007 and Fugitive Offenders (Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism) Order	Subcommittee on Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation (Revision of Licence Fees) Regulation 2007	Subcommittee on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Germany) Order
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun								
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan								
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai			✓					
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan			✓					
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming	✓							
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po								
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming				✓				
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah								
Hon Margaret NG					✓	✓		✓
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye		C						
Hon James TO Kun-sun					C	C		C
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong								
Hon CHAN Yuen-han	✓							
Hon Bernard CHAN								
Hon CHAN Kam-lam							✓	
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun								
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung								
Hon SIN Chung-kai	✓						C	
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong								
Hon WONG Yung-kan				✓				
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing								✓
Hon Howard YOUNG	✓						✓	
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum								
Hon LAU Chin-shek								
Hon LAU Kong-wah					✓	✓		
Hon LAU Wong-fat								
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye					✓			✓
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing	✓							
Hon CHOY So-yuk	✓	✓					✓	
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo								
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting								
Hon TAM Yiu-chung			✓	✓				
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him		✓	✓				✓	
Hon LI Fung-ying			✓					
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan				C				
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip								
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee								
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee	C	✓					✓	
Hon Vincent FANG Kang	✓			✓				
Hon WONG Kwok-hing		✓	✓	✓				
Hon LEE Wing-tat		✓						
Hon LI Kwok-ying								
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long								
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung								
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung								
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)								
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen								
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit				✓				
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung								
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki								
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung								
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming								
Hon WONG Ting-kwong		✓					✓	
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah								
Hon CHIM Pui-chung								
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing		✓	✓				✓	
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG								
Hon KWONG Chi-kin			C					
Hon TAM Heung-man		✓						
Total	8	9	8	7	4	3	8	4

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Membership of Subcommittees on Subsidiary Legislation (... continued)

	Subcommittee on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Malaysia) Order	Subcommittee on Official Languages (Alteration of Text under Section 4D) (Miscellaneous) Order 2007	Subcommittee to Study the Proposed Resolution on Increase of Fines in Waterworks Ordinance and Waterworks Regulations	Subcommittee on Public Health (Animals and Birds) (Exhibitions) (Amendment) Regulation 2006	Subcommittee on Road Traffic (Traffic Control) (Amendment) Regulation 2007	Subcommittee on Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007, Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007 and Technical Memorandum on Procedures and Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Trade Effluents	Subcommittee to Study Shipping and Port Control (Ferry Terminals) (Amendment) Regulation 2004 (Commencement) Notice	Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation to Implement the Obligations under the United Nations Convention Against Corruption
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun								
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan							C	
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai						✓		
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan								
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming								
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po								
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming			C	C				
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah								
Hon Margaret NG	✓	C						C
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye								
Hon James TO Kun-sun	C				✓			✓
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong								
Hon CHAN Yuen-han								
Hon Bernard CHAN								
Hon CHAN Kam-lam								
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun								
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung				✓				
Hon SIN Chung-kai			✓			✓	✓	
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong								
Hon WONG Yung-kan				✓		✓		
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing								
Hon Howard YOUNG						✓		✓
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum								
Hon LAU Chin-shek								
Hon LAU Kong-wah	✓							✓
Hon LAU Wong-fat								
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye	✓				✓	✓	✓	
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing						✓		
Hon CHOY So-yuk						✓		
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo					✓			
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting								
Hon TAM Yiu-chung								
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him								
Hon LI Fung-ying		✓			✓			
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan				✓		✓		
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip							✓	
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee								
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee	✓	✓	✓					
Hon Vincent FANG Kang								
Hon WONG Kwok-hing				✓	C	✓		
Hon LEE Wing-tat			✓			✓		
Hon LI Kwok-ying		✓						
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long								
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung								
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung								
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)								
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen						✓		
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit				✓				
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung		✓		✓				
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki								
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung								
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming			✓	✓	✓		✓	
Hon WONG Ting-kwong						✓		
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah								
Hon CHIM Pui-chung								
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing								
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG								
Hon KWONG Chi-kin								
Hon TAM Heung-man						✓		
Total	5	5	5	8	6	14	5	4

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Membership of Subcommittees on Subsidiary Legislation (... continued)

	Subcommittee on Six Items of Subsidiary Legislation Relating to the Relocation of Juveniles to the Tuen Mun Children and Juvenile Home	Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation Relating to the Shenzhen Bay Port Hong Kong Port Area	Subcommittee to Study Western Harbour Crossing Ordinance (Replacement of Schedule 1) Notice 2006 and Tai Lam Tunnel and Yuen Long Approach Road Ordinance (Toll Increase) Notice 2006
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun			
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan	C		✓
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai			
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan			✓
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming			
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po			
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming			
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah			
Hon Margaret NG		✓	
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye			✓
Hon James TO Kun-sun		✓	
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong			
Hon CHAN Yuen-han			
Hon Bernard CHAN		✓	
Hon CHAN Kam-lam			
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun			
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung			
Hon SIN Chung-kai			
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong			
Hon WONG Yung-kan		✓	
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing			
Hon Howard YOUNG		✓	
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum			
Hon LAU Chin-shek			
Hon LAU Kong-wah		C	
Hon LAU Wong-fat			
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye		✓	C
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing			
Hon CHOY So-yuk			
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo			
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting			
Hon TAM Yiu-chung	✓		
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him			✓
Hon LI Fung-ying			
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan			✓
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip			✓
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee			
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee	✓		
Hon Vincent FANG Kang			
Hon WONG Kwok-hing			✓
Hon LEE Wing-tat			
Hon LI Kwok-ying			
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long			
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung			
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung			
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)			
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen		✓	
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit			
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung			
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki			
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung	✓		
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming	✓		✓
Hon WONG Ting-kwong		✓	
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah			✓
Hon CHIM Pui-chung			
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing			
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG			
Hon KWONG Chi-kin		✓	
Hon TAM Heung-man			
Total	5	10	10

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Membership of Subcommittees of House Committee

	Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee	Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions	Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty	Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Provision of Boarding Places, Senior Secondary Education and Employment Opportunities for Children with Special Educational Needs	Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development	Subcommittee to Study the Transport Needs of and Provision of Concessionary Public Transport Fares for Persons with Disabilities	Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation	Subcommittee on Legislative Amendments Relating to the Proposed Re-organisation of Policy Bureaux of the Government Secretariat	Subcommittee to Study the Draft Subsidiary Legislation Relating to the Rail Merger
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun				DC		✓			✓	
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan				✓		✓				
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai						✓			✓	✓
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan				✓	✓		C			✓
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming		✓						✓		
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po										
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming	✓									
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah	✓	✓	✓			✓			✓	✓
Hon Margaret NG		C		✓		✓			✓	
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Hon James TO Kun-sun						DC				
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong			✓		✓					
Hon CHAN Yuen-han				✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Hon Bernard CHAN									✓	
Hon CHAN Kam-lam						✓				✓
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun									✓	
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung				✓	✓		✓			
Hon SIN Chung-kai						✓		✓	✓	
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong									✓	
Hon WONG Yung-kan									✓	
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing					✓	✓			✓	
Hon Howard YOUNG	C		✓					✓	DC	
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum									✓	
Hon LAU Chin-shek										
Hon LAU Kong-wah		✓					✓		✓	✓
Hon LAU Wong-fat						✓			✓	
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye							✓			C
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing	DC		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	
Hon CHOY So-yuk	✓					✓		✓	✓	
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo							✓			✓
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting						✓				
Hon TAM Yiu-chung				✓			✓			
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him			✓	✓		✓			✓	C
Hon LI Fung-ying				✓						✓
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan										✓
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip						✓				
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee				C					✓	
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee					✓	✓		C	✓	
Hon Vincent FANG Kang								✓		
Hon WONG Kwok-hing							✓		✓	✓
Hon LEE Wing-tat						✓				
Hon LI Kwok-ying	✓									✓
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long										
Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung									✓	
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung	✓									✓
Hon MA Lik (up to 8.8.2007)										
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen										
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit				✓					✓	
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung				✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki						✓				
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung	✓			✓	C		✓		✓	✓
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming						✓				✓
Hon WONG Ting-kwong			✓							
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah				✓					✓	✓
Hon CHIM Pui-chung						✓			✓	
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing	✓		C			✓			✓	✓
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG				✓		✓				
Hon KWONG Chi-kin									✓	✓
Hon TAM Heung-man			✓						✓	✓
Total	9	4	9	17	8	26	9	8	32	22

C = Chairman DC = Deputy Chairman

Appendix 6

STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN OF ALL CONCLUDED CASES UNDER THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REDRESS SYSTEM IN THE 2006-2007 SESSION

Statistical breakdown, by Government policy bureaux/departments, independent organizations and non-government organizations, of concluded cases

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	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	
Government policy bureaux/departments																					
HEALTH, WELFARE & FOOD BUREAU (up to 30.6.2007)	4	48	1	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	100	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	163
HOUSING DEPARTMENT	5	3	14	2	14	7	15	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	66
SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT	3	2	15	0	9	4	5	0	1	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47
LANDS DEPARTMENT	8	5	11	2	6	4	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	40
TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT	4	5	6	0	3	3	6	1	0	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	37
AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES & CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT	1	1	27	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT	2	3	5	2	5	1	2	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	30
HONG KONG POLICE FORCE	0	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	26
FOOD & ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT	6	3	8	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	25
HOUSING, PLANNING & LANDS BUREAU (up to 30.6.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	25
ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & WORKS BUREAU (up to 30.6.2007)	0	0	2	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	19
EDUCATION & MANPOWER BUREAU (up to 30.6.2007)	0	0	2	0	3	1	6	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT	0	0	3	0	2	2	5	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	19
LEISURE & CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	3	1	3	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15
HOME AFFAIRS BUREAU	2	1	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
SECURITY BUREAU	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & LABOUR BUREAU (up to 30.6.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
CHIEF SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATION'S OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	8
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8

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	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	
FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT	3	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	7
FOOD & HEALTH BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
CIVIL SERVICE BUREAU	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TECHNOLOGY BUREAU (up to 30.6.2007)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
CONSTITUTIONAL & MAINLAND AFFAIRS BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
DEVELOPMENT BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
LABOUR DEPARTMENT	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
CIVIL ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
FINANCIAL SERVICES & THE TREASURY BUREAU	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
LABOUR & WELFARE BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
PLANNING DEPARTMENT	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS BUREAU (up to 30.6.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
CUSTOMS & EXCISE DEPARTMENT	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
ELECTORAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
LEGAL AID DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
MARINE DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
OFFICE OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
POST OFFICE	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3

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REGISTRATION & ELECTORAL OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
ENVIRONMENT BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
RATING & VALUATION DEPARTMENT	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
SECRETARIAT, COMR ON INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS & SURVEILLANCE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGENCY	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TRANSPORT & HOUSING BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
CIVIL AID SERVICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
DRAINAGE SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
EDUCATION BUREAU (as from 1.7.2007)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
EFFICIENCY UNIT	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
GOVERNMENT PROPERTY AGENCY	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
HONG KONG OBSERVATORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TELEVISION & ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING AUTHORITY	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TRADE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sub-total	53	86	117	14	53	59	52	4	7	10	281	13	0	0	8	0	0	0	5	30	792
Independent organizations																					
HONG KONG HOUSING SOCIETY	0	0	0	0	10	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24

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HOSPITAL AUTHORITY	0	1	3	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	16
JUDICIARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	16
URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY	0	0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	7
CONSUMER COUNCIL	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6
CHINESE MEDICINE COUNCIL OF HONG KONG	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
HONG KONG EXAMINATIONS & ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
OFFICE OF THE PRIVACY COMMISSIONER FOR PERSONAL DATA	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
BROADCASTING AUTHORITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
COMMISSION ON POVERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
EMPLOYEES RETRAINING BOARD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
HONG KONG TOURISM BOARD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
INDEPENDENT POLICE COMPLAINTS COUNCIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
KOWLOON -CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
SECURITIES & FUTURES COMMISSION	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOWN PLANNING BOARD SECRETARIAT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sub-total	2	3	6	5	10	19	5	3	1	1	24	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	19	100
Non-government organizations																					

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NON-GOVERNMENT	0	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	18	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	48	84
PCCW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TOWNGAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Sub-total	0	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	18	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	50	86
Total	55	91	125	21	63	79	57	7	8	11	323	21	0	0	9	0	0	0	9	99	978

*** End of Report ***

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMISSION

Terms of Reference

1. To provide through the Secretariat administrative support and services to the Council;
2. To provide office accommodation to Members of the Council and staff of the Secretariat;
3. To supervise the operation of the Secretariat;
4. To produce an official report of all proceedings in the Council and in any committee of the whole Council; and
5. To perform such other duties as the Council may by resolution determine.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee (Deputy Chairman)
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming
Hon Margaret NG
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
Hon WONG Ting-kwong
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing
Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG

Committee on Personnel Matters

Terms of Reference

1. To consider personnel matters including staffing resources, appointment, promotion, dismissal, grading, duties, remuneration and other terms and conditions of service of staff of the Secretariat which require the attention of the Commission;
2. To approve appointments including acting appointments with a view to promotion of officers at Chief Council Secretary level and above; and
3. To monitor progress of appointment and personnel matters delegated to the Secretary General.

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Hon Margaret NG
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Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Committee on Members' Operating Expenses

Terms of Reference

1. To advise on administrative matters relating to Members' operating expenses; and
2. To review the Secretary General's decision on a Member's claim for operating expenses reimbursement upon the Member's request.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Committee on Facilities and Services

Terms of Reference

1. To consider the accommodation requirements of the Council and the Secretariat;
2. To assess the needs of the Council and of individual Members for services and facilities for the conduct of Council business;
3. To formulate solutions for meeting needs identified at (1) and (2);
4. To consider financial matters relating to (1) to (3) above, and approve procurement of fixed assets costing above \$500,000 but not exceeding \$2,000,000; and
5. To monitor the progress and developments relating to the above items.

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