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**Legislative Council
Bills Committee on Karaoke Establishments Bill**

**Minutes of thirteenth meeting
held on Thursday, 10 January 2002 at 2:30 pm
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Members Present : Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)
Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Members Absent : Hon Howard YOUNG, JP
Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Public Officers Attending : Security Bureau

Mrs J CHOK
Deputy Secretary for Security

Mr S W HUI
Principal Assistant Secretary for Security

Mr Damian CHAN
Assistant Secretary for Security

Fire Services Department

Mr C C LEE
Chief Fire Officer/Fire Safety

Mr NG Bong-loy
Senior Divisional Officer/Commercial Buildings and
Premises

Buildings Department

Mr MO Kim-ming
Assistant Director/New Buildings (1)

Home Affairs Department

Mr TANG Hung-ki
Chief Officer (Licensing Authority)

Mr MAK Nai-cheong
Building Surveyor (Licensing Authority) Support

Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Ms HUNG Chi-pai
Assistant Director (Operations) 1

Mr WONG Siu-wing
Senior Superintendent (Licensing)

Hong Kong Police Force

Mr LEUNG YOUNG Shi-kwan, Grace
Chief Inspector (Licensing)

Department of Justice

Mr J D SCOTT
Senior Assistant Law Draftsman

Ms Francoise LAM
Government Counsel

Clerk in Attendance : Mrs Percy MA
Chief Assistant Secretary (2)3

Staff in Attendance : Miss Connie FUNG
Assistant Legal Adviser 3

Ms Joanne MAK
Senior Assistant Secretary (2)2

I. Confirmation of minutes of meetings

(LC Paper Nos. CB(2) 719/01-02 and CB(2) 720/01-02)

The minutes of the meetings on 15 and 29 November 2001 were confirmed.

II. Meeting with the Administration

(LC Paper Nos. CB(2)747/01-02(01)-(02) and CB(2)832/01-02(01)-(03))

2. The Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex A**).
3. On LC Paper Nos. CB(2)832/01-02(01) and (02), the Committee noted the following information provided by the Administration at the meeting -
 - (a) There were at present 539 clubs certified under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance. Of the 85 certified clubs providing karaoke activities, 24 were reported to have ancillary karaoke activities, i.e. karaoke activities were only an optional extra to the main activities of the clubs;
 - (b) While 6 of the 24 certified clubs would not meet the exemption criteria proposed by the Administration, the licensing authority could exercise discretion in their favour on a case-by-case basis.
4. The Administration was requested to provide the following information to facilitate the work of the Committee -
 - (a) in regard to the building and safety requirements in karaoke establishments (KE) in Japan and Taiwan (as set out in Annex to LC Paper No. CB(2)832/01-02(03)), to provide further information -
 - (i) for Japan and Taiwan, whether partitions of corridor providing means of escape from the cubicles were required to have a fire resistance period of 1 hour;
 - (ii) for Japan and Taiwan, what specific materials were required to be used for partitions of corridor;

- (iii) for Japan, what was the exact meaning of the requirement "partition walls should reach above-ceiling space";
 - (iv) for Japan, whether any requirement was imposed on the width of the corridor providing means of escape from the cubicles for floors with area less than 200 m²; and
- (b) to advise how anonymous objections raised under clause 5(3)(b) would be handled by the licensing authority, making reference to the experience of other licensing schemes.

5. The Committee agreed that certified clubs providing karaoke activities should be consulted on the proposed regulatory control after the Administration had provided information on the factors to be taken into consideration by the licensing authority in granting exemption from applying for a karaoke licence or permit under clause 3(1)(e).

6. Mr Andrew WONG said that he would not support the resumption of Second Reading debate of the Bill. He would consider whether he would move a motion to request the Committee to take a vote on the matter at the meeting on 24 January 2002.

II. Date of next meetings

7. The next two meetings had been scheduled for 14 January 2002 at 4:30 pm and 24 January 2002 at 2:30 pm respectively.

8. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 4:40 pm.

Council Business Division 2
Legislative Council Secretariat
4 February 2002

**Proceedings of the thirteenth meeting of the Bills Committee on
Karaoke Establishments Bill
on Thursday, 10 January 2002 at 2:30 pm
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Time	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
000001-000339	Chairman	Confirmation of minutes of meetings held on 15 and 29 November 2001	
000340-000631	Adm	Proposed exemption of certain karaoke establishments (KEs) in certified clubs from applying for a KE permit (LC Paper No. CB(2) 832/01-02 (01))	
000632-000653	Chairman	- ditto -	
000654-000730	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
000731-000846	Adm	- ditto -	
000847-000930	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
000931-000957	Chairman	- ditto -	
	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
001023-001127	Chairman	List of private clubs known to have ancillary karaoke activities (LC Paper No. CB(2) 832/01-02 (02))	
001128-001249	Adm	- ditto -	
001250-001300	Chairman	- ditto -	
001301-001328	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
001329-001336	Adm	- ditto -	
001337-001356	Chairman	- ditto -	
001357-001411	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Chairman	- ditto -	
001412-001430	Chairman	- ditto -	
001431-001512	Adm	- ditto -	
001513-001556	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
001557-001643	Adm	- ditto -	
001644-001715	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
001716-001736	Adm	- ditto -	
001737-001747	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
001748-001756	Chairman Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	

001757-001823	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
001824-001859	Adm	- ditto -	
001900-001907	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
001908-001914	Adm	- ditto -	
001915-001937	Chairman	- ditto -	
001938-001948	Adm Chairman	- ditto -	
001949-002005	Chairman	- ditto -	
002006-002025	Adm	- ditto -	
002026-002040	Chairman	- ditto -	
002041-002052	Adm	- ditto -	
002053-002149	Adm	- ditto -	
002150-002210	Chairman	- ditto -	
002211-002213	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
002214-002229	Chairman	- ditto -	
002230-002428	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
002429-002631	Chairman	- ditto -	
002632-002836	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
002837-002900	Adm	- ditto -	
002901-002906	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
002907-002953	Mr Andrew WONG Chairman	- ditto -	
002954-003008	Chairman	- ditto -	
003009-003107	Mr Andrew WONG Chairman	- ditto -	
003108-003218	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
003219-003234	Chairman	- ditto -	
003235-003241	Mr LAU Kong-wah Chairman	- ditto -	
003242-003513	Adm	- ditto -	
003514-003529	Chairman	- ditto -	
003530-003607	Adm	- ditto -	
003608-003612	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
003613-003641	Adm	- ditto -	
003642-003647	Chairman	- ditto -	
003648-003708	Adm	- ditto -	
003709-003731	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
003732-003739	Chairman	- ditto -	

003740-003744	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
003745-003802	Chairman	- ditto -	
003803-003822	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
003823-003834	Chairman Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
003835-003853	Chairman	- ditto -	
003854-003906	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
003907-003958	Chairman	Consultation of certified clubs providing karaoke activities on the proposed regulatory control	
003959-004027	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004028-004029	Chairman	- ditto -	
004030-004042	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004043-004105	Chairman	- ditto -	Clerk
004106-004125	Adm	- ditto -	
004126-004147	Chairman	Proposed exemption of certain KEs in certified clubs from applying for a KE permit	
004148-004152	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004153-004211	Chairman	- ditto -	
004212-004224	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Chairman	- ditto -	
004225-004233	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004234-004236	Chairman	- ditto -	
004237-004305	Adm	- ditto -	
004306-004328	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004329-004346	Chairman	- ditto -	
004347-004352	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004353-004358	Chairman	- ditto -	
004359-004433	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004434-004452	Chairman	- ditto -	
004453-004501	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004502-004506	Chairman	- ditto -	
004507-004511	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004512-004515	Chairman	- ditto -	
004516-004521	Adm	- ditto -	
004522-004548	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
004549-004558	Mr Andrew WONG Chairman	- ditto -	

004559-004615	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
004616-004625	Chairman	- ditto -	
004626-004654	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004655-004717	Chairman	- ditto -	
004718-004729	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004730-004749	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004750-004800	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004801-004806	Adm	- ditto -	
004807-004904	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
004905-004913	Chairman	- ditto -	
004914-004919	Adm	- ditto -	
004920-004935	Chairman	- ditto -	
004936-004959	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Chairman	- ditto -	
005000-005017	Chairman	- ditto -	
005018-005021	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005022-005030	Chairman	- ditto -	
005031-005055	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005056-005124	Adm	- ditto -	
005125-005131	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Chairman	- ditto -	
005132-005139	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005140-005159	Chairman		
005200-005305	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Definition of "karaoke establishment" - the meaning of "by way of trade or business" under the definition	
005306-005317	Chairman	- ditto -	
005318-005335	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005336-005403	Chairman	- ditto -	
005404-005409	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005410-005452	Chairman	- ditto -	
005453-005555	Adm	- ditto -	
005556-005623	Chairman	- ditto -	
005624-005631	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
005632-005641	Chairman	- ditto -	
005642-005657	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
005658-005725	Adm	- ditto -	

005726-005801	Chairman	- ditto -	
005802-005859	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005900-005916	Chairman	- ditto -	
005917-005925	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005926-005948	Chairman	- ditto -	
005949-010017	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
010018-010034	Chairman	- ditto -	
010035-010039	Adm	- ditto -	
010040-010102	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
010103-010136	Adm	- ditto -	
010137-010145	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
010146-010209	Adm	- ditto -	
010210-010417	ALA3	- ditto -	
010418-010442	Mr Andrew WONG ALA3	- ditto -	
010443-010510	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
010511-010514	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
010515-010550	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
010551-010606	Chairman	- ditto -	
010607-010628	Mr Andrew WONG Chairman	- ditto -	
010629-010635	Chairman	- ditto -	
010636-010649	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
010650-010703	Chairman	- ditto -	
010704-010709	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
010710-010718	Chairman	- ditto -	
010719-010752	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
010813-010922	Chairman	- ditto -	
010923-010939	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
010940-011005	Chairman	- ditto -	
011006-011024	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
011025-011051	Chairman	- ditto -	
011052-011105	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
011106-011119	Chairman Mr Andrew WONG	Mr Andrew WONG suggested that the Committee should take a vote on whether it supported the resumption of Second Reading debate of the Bill	
011120-011129	Chairman	- ditto -	
011130-011203	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	

011204-011208	Chairman	- ditto -	
011209-011312	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
011313-011335	Chairman	- ditto -	
011336-011423	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
011424-011427	Chairman	- ditto -	
011428-011429	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
011430-011444	Chairman	- ditto -	
011445-011503	Adm	- ditto -	
011504-011541	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
011542-011557	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
011558-011656	Chairman	- ditto -	
011657-011706	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
011707-011755	Chairman	- ditto -	
011756-011757	Mr Andrew WONG	- ditto -	
011758-011830	Chairman	- ditto -	
011831-013034	Adm	Comparison of building safety and fire services requirements of KEs in Hong Kong, Japan and Taiwan (LC Paper No. CB(2) 832/01-02 (03))	
013035-012039	Chairman	- ditto -	
012040-012124	Mr Andrew WONG	Mr Andrew WONG would consider whether or not to move a motion to request the Committee to take a vote on whether it supported resumption of Second Reading debate of the Bill	Mr Andrew WONG
012125-012128	Chairman	Comparison of building safety and fire services requirements of KEs in Hong Kong, Japan and Taiwan (LC Paper No. CB(2) 832/01-02 (03))	
012129-012314	Adm	- ditto -	
012315-012322	Chairman	- ditto -	
012323-012351	Adm	- ditto -	
012352-012415	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
012416-012427	Adm	- ditto -	
012428-012438	Chairman	- ditto -	
012439-012631	Adm	- ditto -	
012632-012700	Chairman	- ditto -	
012701-012706	Adm	- ditto -	
012707-012804	Adm	- ditto -	
012805-012809	Chairman	- ditto -	
012810-012835	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
012836-012935	Adm	- ditto -	

012936-012941	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
012942-012948	Adm	- ditto -	
012949-013054	Adm	- ditto -	
013055-013141	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
013142-013225	Chairman	- ditto -	
013226-013241	Adm	- ditto -	
013242-013310	Chairman	- ditto -	
013311-013316	Adm	- ditto -	
013317-013329	Chairman	- ditto -	Adm
013330-013658	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
013659-013604	Chairman	- ditto -	Adm
013605-013814	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
013815-013820	Chairman	- ditto -	
013821-013831	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
013832-013839	Chairman	- ditto -	Adm
013840-013922	Adm	- ditto -	
013923-013943	Chairman	- ditto -	Adm
013944-013949	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
013950-014042	Chairman	Proposed deletion of clause 5(6) (Item 1 of LC Paper No. CB(2) 747/01-02 (02))	
014043-014118	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
014119-014244	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
014245-014259	Chairman	- ditto -	
014300-014326	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
014327-014336	Chairman	- ditto -	
014337-014439	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
014440-014450	Chairman	- ditto -	
014451-014459	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
014500-014555	Chairman	- ditto -	
014556-014616	Mr LAU Kong-wah	- ditto -	
014617-014656	Adm	- ditto -	
014657-014704	Chairman	- ditto -	
014705-014823	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
014824-014836	Chairman	- ditto -	
014837-014916	Adm	- ditto -	
014917-014937	Chairman	- ditto -	
014938-014957	Adm	- ditto -	

014958-014959	Chairman	- ditto -	
015000-015047	Adm	- ditto -	
015048-015108	Chairman	- ditto -	
015109-015126	Adm	- ditto -	
015127-015133	Chairman	- ditto -	
015134-015340	Adm	- ditto -	
015341-015402	Chairman	- ditto -	
015403-015429	Adm	- ditto -	
015430-015458	Chairman	- ditto -	
015459-015508	Adm	- ditto -	
015509-015519	Chairman	- ditto -	
015520-015522	Adm	- ditto -	
015523-015544	Chairman	- ditto -	
015545-015631	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015632-015643	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015644-015646	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015647-015707	Chairman	- ditto -	
015708-015712	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015713-015722	Chairman	- ditto -	
015723-015735	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015736-015829	Chairman	- ditto -	
015830-015852	Adm Chairman	- ditto -	
015853-015857	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015858-015924	Chairman	- ditto -	
015925-015931	Adm	- ditto -	
015932-020008	Chairman	How anonymous objections raised under clause 5(3)(b) would be handled by the licensing authority	
020009-020057	Adm	- ditto -	
020058-020130	Chairman	- ditto -	
020131-020134	Adm	- ditto -	
020135-020151	Chairman	- ditto -	
020152-020220	Adm	- ditto -	
020221-020350	Chairman	- ditto -	Adm

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