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

**Minutes of twelfth meeting  
held on Friday, 21 December 2001 at 4:30 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 Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP  
Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung  
Hon LAU Ping-cheung  
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

**Members Absent** : Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP  
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP  
Hon Howard YOUNG, JP  
Hon LAU Kong-wah

**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)

Mr YIP So  
Acting Chief Building Surveyor/Legal

Home Affairs Department

Mr TANG Hung-ki  
Chief Officer (Licensing Authority)

Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Ms Winnie SO  
Assistant Director (Headquarters)

Mr WONG Siu-wing  
Senior Superintendent (Licensing)

Hong Kong Police Force

Mr WONG Che-kwong, Roger  
Superintendent (Licensing)

Department of Justice

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

Miss Yvonne YU  
Senior Assistant Secretary (2)7

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**I. Meeting with the Administration**  
(LC Paper No. CB(2)747/01-02(01))

The Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex A**).

2. The Administration was requested to respond in writing to the following issues to facilitate the work of the Committee -

- (a) to consider the possibility of shortening the time required for the Police to vet an applicant for a karaoke establishment permit for an existing licensed restaurant or a new restaurant;
- (b) to consider the proposal of introducing a mechanism for declaration of the background of the owner of the karaoke establishment; and
- (c) in the light of the relevant regulatory provisions in other Ordinances, to review the drafting of clause 3(1)(e) to spell out the criteria to be adopted by the licensing authority granting exemption from applying for a karaoke establishment permit.

3. The Committee decided to invite certified clubs providing karaoke activities to make written submissions on the proposed regulatory regime introduced by the Bill.

**II. Date of next meetings**

4. The Committee agreed to hold the next three meetings on 10 January 2002 at 2:30 pm, 14 January 2002 at 4:30 pm and 24 January 2002 at 2:30 pm respectively.

5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 6:35 pm.

Council Business Division 2  
Legislative Council Secretariat  
22 January 2001

**Proceedings of the twelfth meeting of the Bills Committee on  
Karaoke Establishments Bill  
on Friday, 21 December 2001 at 4:30 pm  
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Subject(s)</b>	<b>Action required</b>
000001-000202	Chairman	Opening remarks; and Timing of submission of papers from the Administration	
000203-000300	Adm	Submission of the Administration's papers	
000301-000331	Chairman	- ditto -	
000332-000340	Chairman	Processing time for an application for a karaoke establishment permit in a licensed restaurant (Item 1 of LC Paper No. CB(2)747/01-02(01))	
000341-000651	Adm	- ditto -	
000652 -000658	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
000659-000704	Chairman	- ditto -	
000705-000936	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Feasibility for the Police to waive the vetting procedure if the applicant for karaoke establishment permit in a licensed restaurant was already holder of liquor licence at the same premises	
000937-000946	Chairman	- ditto -	
000947-001029	Adm	- ditto -	
001030-001159	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
001200-001209	Adm	- ditto -	
001210-001211	Chairman	- ditto -	
001212-001217	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
001218-001221	Chairman	- ditto -	
001222-001259	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
001300-001304	Chairman	- ditto -	
001305-001341	Adm	- ditto -	
001342-001345	Chairman	- ditto -	
001346-001432	Mr Tommy CHEUNG/ Chairman	- ditto -	
001433-001452	Chairman	Time required by the Police in vetting an applicant for karaoke establishment permit	

001453-001535	Adm	- ditto -	
001535-001540	Chairman	- ditto -	
001541-001556	Adm	- ditto -	
001557-001627	Chairman/Adm	- ditto -	
001628-001753	Chairman	To consider whether the time required by the Police in vetting the applicant could be shortened	Adm
001754-001824	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	Requirement for vetting the owner who was not grantee of the karaoke establishment might affect the processing time for application	
001825-001835	Chairman	- ditto -	
001836-001852	Adm	- ditto -	
001853-001944	Mr LAU Ping-cheung/ Adm	- ditto -	
001945-001956	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	Necessity for requiring an applicant for a karaoke establishment permit to declare the background of owner	
001957-001915	Adm/ Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002016-002034	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002035-002041	Adm Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002042-002128	Adm	- ditto -	
002129-002130	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002131-002132	Adm	- ditto -	
002133-002134	Chairman	- ditto -	
002135-002142	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002143-002222	Chairman/ Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002223-002433	Adm	- ditto -	
002434-002441	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002242-002506	Chairman	- ditto -	
002507-002528	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002529-002534	Chairman	- ditto -	
002535-002541	Adm	- ditto -	
002542-002543	Chairman	- ditto -	
002544-002552	Adm/ Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	
002553-002614	Chairman	-ditto -	
002615-002617	Mr LAU Ping-cheung	- ditto -	

002618-002622	Chairman	To consider the need for the applicant for karaoke establishment permit to declare background of the owner	Adm
002623-002648	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Necessity for requiring the applicant for karaoke establishment permit to declare background of the owner	
002649-002734	Chairman/ Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
002735-002858	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Feasibility of shortening the time required by the Police in vetting an applicant or an authorised person for karaoke establishment permit	
002859-002925	Chairman	- ditto -	
002926-002957	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
002959-003002	Chairman	- ditto -	
003003-003057	Adm	- ditto -	
003058-003120	Chairman	- ditto -	
003121-003135	Adm	- ditto -	
003136-003139	Chairman	- ditto -	
003140-003156	Adm	- ditto -	
003157-003220	Chairman	- ditto -	
003221-003223	Adm	- ditto -	
003224-003227	Chairman	- ditto -	
003228-003233	Adm	- ditto -	
003234-003237	Chairman	- ditto -	
003238-003239	Adm	- ditto -	
003240-003243	Chairman	- ditto -	
003244-003300	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
003301-003311	Chairman	- ditto -	
003312-003320	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
003321-003336	Chairman	- ditto -	
003337-003346	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
003347-003350	Chairman	- ditto -	
003351-003413	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
003414-003417	Chairman	- ditto -	
003418-003459	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
003500-003515	Chairman	- ditto -	
003516-003617	Ms Audrey EU	Requirement for a natural person to be a karaoke establishment licensee/grantee	

003618-003633	Chairman	Feasibility for the Administration to further shorten the processing time from receipt of application to issue of Letter of Requirements for a karaoke establishment	
003634-003715	Adm	- ditto -	
003716-003752	Chairman	- ditto -	
003753-003806	Adm	Statistics on complaints lodged to the Police in respect of vice-related activities in karaoke establishments (Item 2 of LC Paper No. CB(2)747/01-02(01))	
003807-003810	Chairman	- ditto -	
003811-004223	Adm	Definition of "karaoke establishment" and criteria for exempting certified clubs from obtaining a karaoke establishment permit (Item 3 of LC Paper No. CB(2)747/01-02(01))	
004224-004431	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
004432-004434	Chairman	- ditto -	
004435-004639	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
004640-004642	Chairman	- ditto -	
004643-004650	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
004651-004655	Chairman	- ditto -	
004656-004729	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
004730-004734	Chairman	- ditto -	
004735-004840	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
004841-004905	Chairman	- ditto -	
004906-004948	Adm	- ditto -	
004949-005007	Chairman	- ditto -	
005008-005153	Adm	- ditto -	
005154-005310	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
005311-005323	Chairman	- ditto -	
005324-005330	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
005331-005344	Chairman	- ditto -	
005345-005445	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
005446-005447	Chairman	- ditto -	
005448-005456	Adm	- ditto -	
005457-005503	Chairman	- ditto -	
005504-005559	Adm	- ditto -	
005600-005602	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
005603-005638	Chairman	- ditto -	
005639-005706	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
005707-005735	Chairman	- ditto -	

005736-005738	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
005739-005748	Chairman	- ditto -	
005749-005803	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
005804-005821	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
005822-005828	Chairman	- ditto -	
005829-010026	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
010027-010032	Chairman	- ditto -	
010033-010151	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
010152-010211	Chairman	- ditto -	
010212-010309	Adm	- ditto -	
010310-010313	Chairman	- ditto -	
010314-010432	Adm	- ditto -	
010433-010448	Chairman	- ditto -	
010449-010749	Adm	- ditto -	
010750-010755	Chairman	- ditto -	
010756-011006	Mr Tommy CHEUNG/ Chairman	- ditto -; and Proposed consultation with certified clubs	
011007-011021	Adm	Definition of "karaoke establishment"	
011022-011111	Chairman/ Adm	- ditto -	
011112-011116	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
011117-011136	Chairman	- ditto -	
011137-011219	Adm	-ditto -	
011220-011257	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Proposed exemption of certified clubs from applying for a karaoke establishment permit	
011258-011304	Chairman	- ditto -	
011305-011330	Adm	- ditto -	
011331-011333	Chairman	- ditto -	
011334-011354	Adm	- ditto -	
011355-011440	Chairman	- ditto -	
011441-011444	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
011445-011448	Chairman	- ditto -	
011449-011459	Adm	- ditto -	
011500-011531	Chairman	- ditto -	
011532-011621	Adm	- ditto -	
011622-011656	Chairman	- ditto -	
011657-011702	Adm	- ditto -	
011703-011708	Chairman	- ditto -	



011709-011721	Adm	- ditto -	
011722-011753	Chairman	- ditto -	
011754-011807	Adm	- ditto -	
011808-011835	Chairman	- ditto -	
011836-011905	Adm	- ditto -	
011906-011919	Chairman	- ditto -	
011920-012055	Adm	- ditto -	
012056-012100	Chairman	- ditto -	
012101-012122	Adm	- ditto -	
012123-012138	Chairman	- ditto -	
012139-012235	Adm	- ditto -	
012236-012242	Chairman	- ditto -	
012243-012248	Adm	- ditto -	
012249-012251	Chairman	- ditto -	
012252-012503	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
012504-012508	Chairman	- ditto -	
012509-012516	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
012517-012631	Chairman	- ditto -	
012632-012703	Adm	Proposed exemption of certified clubs from applying for a karaoke establishment permit under clause 3(1)(e)	
012704-012751	Chairman	- ditto -	
012752-012815	Adm	- ditto -	
012816-012835	Chairman	- ditto -	
012836-012847	Adm	- ditto -	
012848-012850	Chairman	- ditto -	
012851-012901	Adm	- ditto -	
012902-012947	Chairman	- ditto -	
012948-013017	Adm	- ditto -	
013018-013117	Chairman	Proposed consultation with certified clubs	
013118-013254	Adm	- ditto -; and Proposed exemption of certified clubs from applying for a karaoke establishment permit	
013255-013307	Chairman	Proposed exemption of certified clubs from applying for a karaoke establishment permit	
013308-013405	Adm	- ditto -	
013406-013448	Adm	Proposed exemption of certified clubs from applying for a karaoke establishment permit under clause 3(1)(e)	

013449-013454	Chairman	- ditto -	
013455-013642	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
013643-013721	Chairman	- ditto -	
013722-013835	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
013836-013841	Chairman	- ditto -	
013842-013917	ALA3	- ditto -	
013918-013945	Chairman	- ditto -	
013946-014005	Adm	- ditto -	Adm
014006-014009	Chairman	- ditto -	
014010-014022	Adm	- ditto -	
014023-014028	Chairman	- ditto -	
014029-014051	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
014052-014058	Chairman	- ditto -	
014059-014217	Ms Audrey EU/ Chairman	- ditto -	
014218-014444	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -;and Proposed consultation with certified clubs	
014445-014544	Ms Audrey EU	Exemption of certified clubs from applying for a karaoke establishment permit	
014545-014546	Chairman	- ditto -	
014547-014623	Ms Audrey EU	- ditto -	
014624-014745	Chairman	- ditto -	
014746-014917	Adm	- ditto -	
014918-014941	Chairman	- ditto -	
014942-015009	Adm	-ditto -	
015010-015043	Chairman	- ditto -	
015044-015052	Adm	- ditto -	
015053-015114	Chairman	- ditto -	
015115-015124	Mr Tommy CHEUNG/ Adm	- ditto -	
015125-015130	Chairman/ Adm/ Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015131-015154	Chairman	Consultation with certified clubs	
015155-015208	Adm	- ditto -	
015209-015211	Chairman	- ditto -	
015212-015252	Adm	- ditto -	
015253-015304	Chairman	- ditto -	

015305-015323	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015324-015348	Chairman/ Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015349-015406	Chairman	To invite written submissions from certified clubs on the Bill	Clerk
015407-015412	Chairman	Comparison of the proposed licensing scheme with those in Taiwan and Japan (Item 4 of LC Paper No. CB(2)767/01-02(01))	
015413-015426	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	- ditto -	
015427-015453	Chairman/ Mr Tommy CHEUNG/ Adm	- ditto -	
015454-015852	Chairman/ Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Dates of the next meetings	

**Note : The audio records of the above proceedings are kept at the LegCo Library**

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