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**Paper for the House Committee Meeting
of the Legislative Council
on 15 December 2000**

**Legal Service Division Report on
Prior of the Order of Cistercians of the
Strict Observance Incorporation (Amendment) Bill 2000**

(Member's Bill)

Object of the Bill

To amend the title of the Prior in Hong Kong of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance as a result of the upgrading of the monastery established by The Cistercian Order of the Strict Observance at Lantau Island to the status of an abbey.

LegCo Brief Reference

2. No LegCo Brief on the Bill has been provided.

Date of First Reading

3. 13 December 2000.

Comments

4. This is a Member's Bill promoted by Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen.
5. The Prior in Hong Kong of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance is a corporation set up under the Prior of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance Incorporation Ordinance (Cap. 1107). The Bill seeks to amend the title of the Prior in Hong Kong of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance to that of the Abbot. According to the Explanatory Memorandum of the Bill, such change of title is necessary to reflect the upgrading of the monastery established by The Cistercian Order of the Strict Observance at Lantau Island to the status of an abbey.

6. Under section 20 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1), the Bill, if enacted, will come into operation on the date of publication in the Gazette.

Public Consultation

7. There has not been any public consultation on the Bill.

Consultation with the LegCo Panel

8. No LegCo Panel has been consulted.

Recommendation

9. The Bill is a private bill dealing with the change of title in relation to the corporation concerned. It does not raise any matter of public policy. The legal and drafting aspects of the Bill are in order. Subject to Members' views, the Bill is ready for resumption of Second Reading debate.

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