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**Paper for the House Committee
of the Legislative Council**

**Legal Service Division Report on
Resolution under Section 4(2) of the
Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109)**

The Secretary for the Treasury has given notice on 8 March 2002 to move a motion at the meeting of the Legislative Council on 13 March 2002.

2. The purpose of the motion is to seek the Council's approval to amend Schedule 1 to the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap.109). The amendment is necessary to provide the statutory basis to implement the proposal in paragraph 92 of the 2002-03 Budget Speech, namely, to extend the existing rate of duty of \$1.11 per litre on ultra low sulphur diesel (ULSD) for one more year to 31 March 2003.

3. The current duty concession on ULSD is due to expire on 31 March 2002. The only Council meeting in March after the delivery of the Budget Speech is 13 March 2002. The President of the Legislative Council has dispensed with the notice requirement for the motion under Rule 29(1) of the Rules of Procedures.

4. Subject to further amendments, if any, the duty on ULSD shall be at \$2.89 per litre as from 1 April 2003.

5. The draft Resolution is legally in order.

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