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Legislative Council Building
8 Jackson Road
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Attention: Ms Connie Szeto

Your Ref: CB1/BC/2/04

By Post & By Fax 2869-6794

25 November 2004

Dear Sir,

**Bills Committee on
Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill 2004**

Submissions

Thank you for your letter of 5 November 2004, inviting the Institute to make submissions on the referenced Bill.

I am pleased to advise that the Institute fully supports the proposed amendments, in particular, to empower the Official Receiver to appoint directly private-sector insolvency practitioners to handle summary bankruptcy cases without the need for convening a creditors' meeting, which constitute sensible and practical improvements to the administration of bankruptcies.

Yours faithfully,

Neil M McNamara
President

c.c. Hon TAM Heung-man, Chairman of the Bills Committee