立法會 Legislative Council

LC Paper No. CB(2)169/06-07 (These minutes have been seen by the Administration)

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Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005

Note of informal meeting held on Friday, 9 June 2006 at 8:30 am in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building

Members present	:	Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo (Chairman) Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP ` Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP Hon LI Kwok-ying, MH Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS
Members absent	:	Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip (Deputy Chairman) Hon LEE Cheuk-yan Dr Hon YEUNG Sum Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP Hon Vincent FANG Kang, JP Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG Hon KWONG Chi-kin
Public Officers	:	Mrs Ingrid YEUNG

attending Deputy Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food (Health)

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		Ms Julina CHAN Principal Assistant Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food (Health)
		Dr Cindy LAI Acting Deputy Director of Health
		Miss Shandy LIU Senior Government Counsel Department of Justice
		Mr Alan CHONG Ka-ning Government Counsel Department of Justice
Clerk in attendance	:	Ms Doris CHAN Chief Council Secretary (2) 4
Staff in attendance	:	Miss Monna LAI Assistant Legal Adviser 7
		Miss Mary SO Senior Council Secretary (2) 8
		Miss Maggie CHIU Legislative Assistant (2) 4

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I. Discussion with the Administration (LC Paper Nos. CB(2)2313/05-06(01) and (02))

The Bills Committee deliberated (Index of proceedings at Annex).

2. The Administration was requested to provide a response in writing to the following suggestions made by members at the meeting -

- (a) to increase the number of days for the person in charge of a listed establishment to make a written representation under section 9(5) of new Schedule 6 from 10 to 14 days;
- (b) to consider making clear the circumstances under which the Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food would exercise his power provided under section 11(2) of new Schedule 6;
- (c) to replace "個人利害" with "個人利益" referred to in the Chinese

version of sections 12(5) and 13(6) of new Schedule 6;

- (d) to consider allowing the appellant to continue operating his/her establishment as a qualified establishment until the appeal result was known and requiring the unsuccessful appellant to bear the costs of the appeal proceedings, in place of requiring an establishment to cease operating as a qualified establishment once its name and address were removed from the list of qualified establishments maintained by the Director of Health; and
- (e) to make the English version of the proposed amendments to new section 15G(d) align with its Chinese version.
- 3. <u>The Administration</u> undertook -
 - (a) to check with the Liquor Licensing Board whether bars, located in premises holding a liquor licence for the whole premises, could continue to operate as such in the course of applying for a separate liquor licence to operate as a qualified bar, as well as the application procedures and the time required; and
 - (b) to provide information on the duties and powers of other appeal boards formed by the Administration to hear cases similar in nature and scope to those of removing an establishment from the list of qualified establishments.

II. Date of next meeting

- 4. The Bills Committee would next meet on 13 June 2006 at 8:30 am.
- 5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:33 am.

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Proceedings of the note of informal meeting of the Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005 on Friday, 9 June 2006 at 8:30 am in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building

Time marker	Speaker	Subject	Action required
000000 - 001916	Chairman	Opening remarks	
001917 - 002946	Admin Mr Howard YOUNG	Administration's response to issues raised at the meetings on 24 April, 4, 9, 12 and 16 May 2006 (LC Paper No. CB(2)2313/05-06(02))	
002947 - 015728	Admin Mr Tommy CHEUNG Mr Martin LEE Mr Howard YOUNG Mr LI Kwok-ying ALA7 Ms Audrey EU	 Draft Committee Stage amendments to the moved by the Administration (LC Paper No. CB(2)2313/05-06(01)) The Administration was requested - (a) to increase the number of days for the person in charge of a listed establishment to make a written representation under section 9(5) of new Schedule 6 from 10 to 14 days; (b) to consider making clear the circumstances under which the Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food would exercise his power provided under section 11(2) of new Schedule 6; (c) to replace "個人利害" with "個人利益" referred to in the Chinese version of sections 12(5) and 13(6) of new Schedule 6; (d) to consider allowing the appellant to continue operating his/her establishment as a qualified establishment until the appeal result was known and requiring the unsuccessful appellant to bear the costs of the appeal proceedings, in place of requiring an establishment to cease operating as a qualified establishment to cease operating as a qualified establishments maintained by the Director of Health; and (e) to make the English version of the proposed amendments to new section 15G(d) align with its Chinese version. 	✓ (Admin to provide a written response)
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Time marker	Speaker	Subject	Action required
015729 – 020225	Chairman Admin	Date of next meeting	
	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Mr WONG Ting-kwong	Timing of Administration's response to outstanding issues	
	Clerk	Tentative date of resumption of Second Reading debate on the Bill	

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