

**Bills Committee on
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill 2006**

Follow-up actions arising from the meeting on 10 October 2006

The Administration was requested to -

- (a) ascertain whether aggravated offences and subsequent offences were provided in animal laws in Singapore and Japan;
- (b) advise the number of appeals lodged, if any, by the Administration, concerning the fine imposed by the court for cruelty to animal offences (Annex C to LC Paper No. CB(2)3156/05-06(02));
- (c) reconsider and advise the timeframe for reviewing the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance. The Administration's proposal of reporting the progress of its review to the relevant Panel in around one year was not accepted by members; and
- (d) consider the proposal of the Bills Committee that
 - (i) aggravated offences be provided in the Bill and the penalty for which should be a maximum fine of \$250,000 and imprisonment for 3 years; and
 - (ii) correspondingly, aggravated offences with heavier penalties be provided in the Regulations.