

Housing (Amendment) Bill 2007

Committee Stage

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Amendment proposed

4 By deleting the proposed section 16A(4) and substituting —

“(4) Subject to subsection (5), the Authority —

- (a) if satisfied on a review of the relevant rent that the income index for the second period is higher than the income index for the first period by more than 0.1%, shall as soon as practicable after the review increase the relevant rent by the rate of the increase of the income index, but the rate of the increase shall not exceed 8%; and
- (b) if satisfied on a review of the relevant rent that the income index for the second period is lower than the income index for the first period by more than 0.1%, shall as soon as practicable after the review reduce the relevant rent by the rate of the reduction of the income index.”.

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| 4 | <p>By deleting the proposed section 16A(8) and substituting —</p> <p>“ (8) For the purpose of a review of the relevant rent —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the Authority may compile —<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) an index that reflects the level of the mean monthly household income of any class of residential tenant over the first period after excluding additional rent-paying households and households with upper outlying income levels; and(ii) an index that reflects the level of the adjusted mean monthly household income of that class of residential tenant over the second period after excluding additional rent-paying households and households with upper outlying income levels; and(b) the Commissioner for Census and Statistics shall, in relation to the compilation of such an index, compute the index.”. <p>(b) In the proposed section 16A(9), by adding the definition of “households with upper outlying income levels” —</p> <p>““households with upper outlying income levels” (收入甚高的住戶) ” means the households of the top 5% household income in each household size group based on the current profile of Public Rental Housing tenants’ household income;”.</p> |

Compare the wage indices of the unskilled labour in the past fifteen years

Craftsmen and Operatives (技工及操作工)

Year	Nominal wage index	Rate of Change Per year	Rate of Change Per 2 years	Real wage index	Rate of Change Per year	Rate of Change Per 2 years
1992	100	N/A		100	N/A	
1993	109.7	+9.7%		101.7	+1.7%	
1994	116.6	+6.3%	+16.6%	99.5	-2.1%	-0.5%
1995	122.5	+5.1%		96.2	-3.6%	
1996	131.4	+7.3%	+12.7%	98.1	+9.0%	-1.4%
1997	140.3	+6.8%		99.5	+1.4%	
1998	142.4	+1.5%	+8.4%	98.7	-0.8%	+0.6%
1999	140.6	-1.3%		102.6	+4.0%	
2000	139.8	-0.6%	-1.8%	104.4	+1.8%	+5.8%
2001	142.3	+1.8%		107.2	+2.7%	
2002	140.3	-1.4%	+0.4%	110.4	+3.0%	+5.7%
2003	137.3	-2.1%		111.1	+0.6%	
2004	137.6	+0.2%	-1.9%	109.9	-1.1%	-0.5%
2005	139.1	+1.1%		109.6	-0.3%	
2006	140.8	+1.2%	+2.3%	109.0	-0.5%	-0.8%

Figures refer to September of the year, they are from Census & Statistics Department