

**Bills Committee on
Housing (Amendment) Bill 2007**

Twelfth meeting on 31 May 2007

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting

Proposed revision to the Rent Assistance Scheme (RAS)

The Administration is requested to provide information as follows:

- (a) The details of the proposed revision to RAS;
- (b) The date of implementation of the proposed revision; and
- (c) When and how rental public housing (PRH) tenants would be informed about the details.

Calculation of the proposed income index

Members are aware that in calculating the income index, additional rent-paying households and households with outlying income levels (i.e. "extreme outliers", estimated to be the top 1% household income in each household size group based on the current profile of PRH tenants' household income) would be excluded. Some members are of the view that in line with prudent statistical practices, "mild outliers" (estimated to be 4% to 5%) should also be excluded. The Administration is requested to consider members' view and provide a written response.

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