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Legislative Council

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**Bills Committee on Statute Law
(Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2008**

**Minutes of the 5th meeting
held on Monday, 2 June 2008, at 8:30 am
in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Hon Margaret NG (Chairman)
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, GBS, JP
Hon LI Kwok-ying, MH, JP
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC

Member absent : Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

Public Officers attending : Item I
Department of Justice

Mr Michael Scott
Senior Assistant Solicitor General
Legal Policy Division

Ms Vicki LEE
Senior Government Counsel
Law Drafting Division

Ms Stella CHAN
Senior Government Counsel (Ag.)
Legal Policy Division

Action

Clerk in attendance : Miss Betty MA
Chief Council Secretary (2) 4

Staff in attendance : Mr Timothy TSO
Assistant Legal Adviser 2

Mr Chris LAI
Senior Council Secretary (2) 7

I. Meeting with the Administration

[LC Paper No. CB(2)2120/07-08(01)]

The Bills Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

Proposed amendments to various Ordinances containing offence provisions with the drafting formula "to the satisfaction of" an enforcement agency (Parts 2 to 4 of the Bill)

2. Referring to its letter dated 29 May 2008 (LC Paper No. CB(2)2120/07-08(01)), the Administration advised that it proposed to withdraw Parts 2 to 4 of the Bill, and it would move Committee Stage amendments (CSAs) to this effect. The Administration further advised that it would reintroduce in a future bill on the amendments relating to the drafting formula "to the satisfaction of" an enforcement agency. Members raised no objection to the Administration's proposal.

Resumption of Second Reading debate on the Bill

3. The Chairman said that the full set of CSAs proposed by the Administration would be circulated to members for consideration. If members had no further comments on the proposed amendments, the Bills Committee would report its deliberations to the House Committee on 13 June 2008. The Administration advised that it intended to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting on 2 July 2008.

II. Any other business

4. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8:40 am.

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Time marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action required
<i>Agenda item 1 – Meeting with the Administration</i>			
000000 - 000529	Chairman Admin	The Administration's proposal to withdraw Parts 2 to 4 of the Bill (LC Paper No. CB(2)2120/07-08(01))	
000530 - 000659	Chairman Admin	Committee Stage amendments (CSAs) to be proposed by the Administration	Admin to provide
<i>Any Other Business</i>			
000700 - 000950	Chairman Admin Ms Miriam LAU	Legislative timetable and resumption of Second Reading debate on the Bill	

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