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Paper for the House Committee meeting on 25 January 2008

Panel on Welfare Services

**Report of the Subcommittee on
Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme**

Purpose

This paper seeks the agreement of the House Committee to allocate a debate slot under House Rule 14A(h) to Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) Scheme (the Subcommittee) under the Panel on Welfare Services (the Panel) to move a motion on the Report of the Subcommittee at the Council meeting on 20 February 2008.

Report of the Subcommittee on Review of the CSSA Scheme

2. The Subcommittee was appointed by the Panel in November 2004 to review the existing arrangements for the CSSA Scheme. The Subcommittee has held 21 meetings between December 2004 and October 2007 to discuss with the Administration and gauge the views of service users and non-governmental organizations providing welfare services on various aspects of the CSSA Scheme.

3. The Subcommittee has summarized its discussions and drawn up some recommendations in its Report, and has submitted the Report (attached at LC Paper No. CB(2)871/07-08) to the Panel for following up the recommendations with the Administration.

Motion debate

4. In view of wide public concern about the existing arrangements of the CSSA Scheme, the Subcommittee considers that an opportunity should be

provided for Members to express their views on the subject and for the Administration to provide its response. In this connection, the Subcommittee has agreed at the meeting on 4 January 2008 that a motion on the Subcommittee's Report should be moved for debate at a Legislative Council meeting, and the agreement of the Panel and the House Committee should be sought for the allocation of a debate slot to Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung, who is the Chairman of the Subcommittee and the Panel, under Rule 14A(h) of the House Rules for moving the motion. The debate slot would not be counted as the Chairman's own slot.

5. The Panel endorsed the Subcommittee's Report at the meeting on 14 January 2008 and agreed with the proposal for a motion on the Subcommittee's Report to be moved for debate at the Council meeting on 20 February 2008. The wording of the motion, as endorsed by the Panel, is in the **Appendix**. If the House Committee agrees to the proposed motion debate on the Subcommittee's Report, the Panel suggests that there should only be one other motion debate without legislative effect at that Council meeting.

Advice sought

6. The House Committee's agreement is sought for the Panel's request in paragraphs 4 and 5 above.

Council Business Division 2
Legislative Council Secretariat
23 January 2008

2008年2月20日(星期三)
立法會會議席上
張超雄議員就
"檢討綜合社會保障援助計劃小組委員會
的報告"提出的議案

議案措辭

"本會察悉檢討綜合社會保障援助計劃小組委員會的報告。"

(Translation)

Motion on "Report of the Subcommittee on Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme" to be moved by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung at the Council meeting of Wednesday, 20 February 2008

Wording of the Motion

"That this Council notes the Report of the Subcommittee on Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme."