

**Bills Committee on
Genetically Modified Organisms (Control of Release) Bill**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 6 January 2010**

- (1) To delete the word “immediately” in clause 34, and to make it clear in the clause that disposal does not include sale of the things in question. To also include in the speech to be delivered by the Secretary for the Environment (SEN) at the Resumption of Second Reading debate on the Bill that all necessary care will be taken to maintain the seized genetically modified organism (GMO), particularly if it is a live animal.
- (2) To review clause 37 to provide for application for compensation regardless whether prosecution has been brought in respect the thing being seized.
- (3) To advise the rationale for empowering SEN to grant exemption under clause 42.
- (4) To provide the draft Committee Stage amendments for clause 46.
- (5) To review clauses 49 and 50, and consider the need to impose penalties for non-compliance with the requirements under clause 50 during the transitional period. To also consider deleting clauses 50(1)(a) and (b) given that the Bill has no retrospective effect.