discriminate against a person on the ground of race of that person in the performance of its functions or the exercise of its powers.".

New

By adding—

## "9B. General statutory duty of the Government

- (1) The Government shall, in carrying out its functions, have due regard to the need—
  - (a) to eliminate racial discrimination; and
  - (b) to promote equality of opportunity and good relations between persons of different racial groups.
- (2) For the purpose of subsection (1), each of the bureaux and departments of the Government and the public authorities specified in Schedule 6 shall—
  - (a) state those of its functions and policies, or proposed policies, which it has assessed as relevant to the performance of its duty under subsection (1);
  - (b) assess and consult on the likely impact of its proposed policies on the promotion of racial equality;
  - (c) monitor its policies for any adverse impact on the promotion of racial equality;
  - (d) publish the results of such assessment and consultation as are mentioned in sub-paragraph (b) and such monitoring as is

- mentioned in sub-paragraph (c);
- (e) ensure public access to information and services that it provides;
- (f) provide training for its staff in connection with the duties imposed by this section; and
- (g) review the assessment referred to in paragraph (a) at reasonable intervals or at the request of a committee of the Legislative Council.
- (3) The Chief Secretary for Administration may, by notice published in the Gazette, amend Schedule 6.
- (4) No exceptions or exclusions provided in this Ordinance shall operate to abrogate or limit the duty of the Government referred to in subsection (1) or release the Government from such duty or any part thereof.".
- By deleting "subsections (1) and" and substituting "subsection".
- 10(8) By deleting "third" and substituting "first".
- By deleting everything after "in the Gazette," and substituting—

"amend subsection (3) by substituting another number for the number appearing after the word "exceed" in that subsection.".

By deleting "firm consisting of not less than 6 partners," and substituting "firm,".

## "SCHEDULE 6 SPECIFIED BUREAUX AND DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

- 1. Home Affairs Bureau
- 2. Home Affairs Department
- 3. Food and Health Bureau
- 4. Department of Health
- 5. Labour Department
- 6. Education Bureau
- 7. Social Welfare Department
- 8. Hospital Authority
- 9. Vocational Training Council
- 10. Employees Retraining Board
- 11. Construction Industry Council".