

Bills Committee on Buildings Energy Efficiency Bill

Meeting

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Views on Buildings Energy Efficiency Bills

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- The main mission of the Energy Institute is to promote safe, efficient and environmental-friendly supply and use of energy in all forms and applications.
- Taking into account the environmental performance and energy-saving economic benefit, the Energy Institute (Hong Kong Branch) supports the mandatory implementation of Building Energy Codes (BEC).
- The mandatory implementation of BEC should raise the energy efficiency of buildings in Hong Kong as a whole, resulting in better use of energy resources, reduced air pollutant emissions from power plants, proper installation of building equipment, reduced energy costs, and increased economic effectiveness. The mandatory BEC will benefit virtually all the residents in Hong Kong.
- Most engineering consultants and contractors in Hong Kong have been adopting the BEC in their current practices. The effectiveness of BEC has been demonstrated. The mandatory implementation of the BEC should be able to carry out smoothly.
- Technological advancement will bring more and improved energy-efficient commercial products to the market. The BEC should be reviewed and updated from time to time to strive for continual improvement.