

Bills Committee on Companies Bill

**Follow-up actions for the meeting held on 18 October 2011
in relation to Stamp Duty on Transfer of Hong Kong Stock**

Purpose

This paper sets out the Administration's response to the issues raised by Members at the Bills Committee meeting on 18 October 2011 relating to the stamp duty on transfer of Hong Kong stock.

Administration's response

Stamp Duty on Transfer of Hong Kong stock

2. Members requested for information on the amount of stamp duty on transfer of Hong Kong stock collected in the past ten years. Members also asked whether the Administration would review the stamp duty on transfer of Hong Kong stock.

3. The amount of stamp duty on transfer of Hong Kong stock in the past ten years is at **Annex**.

4. A number of factors would need to be taken into account when considering whether to adjust the rate of stamp duty on transfer of Hong Kong stock. For example, we need to consider the impact on the stock market that such adjustment may bring about. We would also need to consider the latest international regulatory developments. We may need to look at the issue from the government revenue perspective as well. We would continue to closely monitor the developments in the local market as well as other major financial markets.

**Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau
19 March 2012**

Stamp duty on transfer of Hong Kong stock (2001/02 to 2010/11)

Year	Total (HK\$M)
2001/02	3,993.49
2002/03	3,094.97
2003/04	6,023.90
2004/05	6,390.57
2005/06	8,133.99
2006/07	15,035.80
2007/08	35,457.87
2008/09	21,703.63
2009/10	25,724.10
2010/11	25,881.47