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**Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees
(as at 4 October 2011)**

Summary	1. Number of Bills Committees in action	:	13	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2. Number of vacant slots of Bills Committee	:	3	
	3. Number of bills pending decision of House Committee	:	5	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
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	4. Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	:		(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	5. Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action	:	2	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6. Number of subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	2	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7. Number of other subcommittees under House Committee in action	:	2	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8. Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	10	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
9. Number of subcommittee on policy issues on waiting list	:	1	(see <u>List H</u> for details)	

List A : Bills Committees in action

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
1. Bills Committee on Legal Practitioners (Amendment) Bill 2010 - Miss Mary SO CCS(3)3 Tel : 3919 3303	30.6.10	2.7.10 Dr Hon Margaret NG	10 14.7.10 17.9.10 5.10.10 25.11.10 27.1.11 20.5.11 2.6.11 10.6.11 15.6.11 27.7.11	8.10.10 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be scheduled.
2. Bills Committee on Adaptation of Laws (Military References) Bill 2010 - Mrs Sharon TONG PCS(2) Tel : 3919 3207	14.7.10	8.10.10 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	9 9.11.10 14.12.10 18.1.11 10.2.11 28.2.11 11.4.11 19.5.11 9.6.11 27.6.11	21.1.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 11.10.11 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
3. Bills Committee on Competition Bill - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(1)6 Tel : 3919 3106	14.7.10	8.10.10 Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP (Chairman) Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC (Deputy Chairman)	20 25.10.10 9.11.10 29.11.10 (2 sessions) 30.11.10 20.12.10 17.1.11 25.1.11 15.2.11 22.2.11 15.3.11 29.3.11 13.4.11 28.4.11 (2 sessions) 12.5.11 (2 sessions) 31.5.11 (2 sessions) 7.6.11 (2 sessions) 21.6.11 (2 sessions) 5.7.11 20.7.11 (2 sessions) 26.7.11 (2 sessions)	21.1.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 11.10.11 to meet with the Administration.

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4. Bills Committee on Companies Bill - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel : 3919 3104	26.1.11	11.2.11 Hon Paul CHAN Mo-po, MH, JP (Chairman) Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Deputy Chairman)	15 25.2.11 14.3.11 29.3.11 9.4.11 (2 sessions) 18.4.11 6.5.11 13.5.11 19.5.11 3.6.11 (2 sessions) 10.6.11 (2 sessions) 17.6.11 (2 sessions) 28.6.11 8.7.11 26.7.11 (2 sessions) 31.8.11	20.5.11 (Verbal report)		Next meeting to be held on 11.10.11 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
5. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2011 - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)5 Tel : 3919 3105	9.3.11	8.4.11 Hon Paul CHAN Mo-po, MH, JP	6 21.4.11 28.5.11 2.6.11 14.6.11 7.7.11 4.8.11			The Bills Committee has held six meetings since 21.4.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be scheduled.
6. Bills Committee on Lifts and Escalators Bill - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)5 Tel : 3919 3105	11.5.11	13.5.11 Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP	3 31.5.11 21.6.11 17.7.11			The Bills Committee has held three meetings since 31.5.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be held on 11.10.11 to meet with the Administration.
7. Bills Committee on Enduring Powers of Attorney (Amendment) Bill 2011 - Ms Amy YU CCS(2)6 Tel : 3919 3206	25.5.11	27.5.11 Dr Hon Margaret NG	2 17.6.11 4.7.11			The Bills Committee has held two meetings since 17.6.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be held on 25.10.11 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
8. Bills Committee on Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill 2011 - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(1)2 Tel : 3919 3102	25.5.11	27.5.11 Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, GBS, JP	3 21.6.11 5.7.11 12.7.11 (2 sessions)			The Bills Committee has held three meetings since 21.6.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be held on 19.10.11 to meet with the Administration.
9. Bills Committee on Pyramid Schemes Prohibition Bill - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(1)6 Tel : 3919 3106	1.6.11	3.6.11 Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, SBS, JP	2 24.6.11 22.7.11 (2 sessions)			The Bills Committee has held two meetings since 24.6.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be held on 18.10.11 to meet with the Administration.
10. Bills Committee on Legislative Council (Amendment) Bill 2011 - Miss Flora TAI CCS(2)3 Tel : 3919 3203	8.6.11	10.6.11 Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP (Chairman) Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	8 17.6.11 20.6.11 21.6.11 22.6.11 23.6.11 24.6.11 4.7.11 22.7.11	24.6.11 (Verbal report) 4.7.11 (Written report by circulation)		The Bills Committee has held eight meetings since 17.6.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
11. Bills Committee on Guardianship of Minors (Amendment) Bill 2011 - Mrs Sharon TONG PCS(2) Tel : 3919 3207	15.6.11	17.6.11 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	2 6.7.11 27.7.11			The Bills Committee has held two meetings since 6.7.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be held on 3.11.11 to meet with the Administration.
12. Bills Committee on Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2011 - Ms YUE Tin-po CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	15.6.11	17.6.11 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	2 5.7.11 23.7.11			The Bills Committee has held two meetings since 5.7.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be held on 11.10.11 to meet with the Administration.
13. Bills Committee on Securities and Futures (Amendment) Bill 2011 - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)5 Tel : 3919 3105	29.6.11	8.7.11 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	1 19.7.11			The Bills Committee has held one meeting since 19.7.11, and considers it necessary to work beyond three months since commencement of its work. Next meeting to be held on 17.10.11 to meet with the Administration.

List B : Bills pending decision of House Committee

Name of Bill	Object(s) of the Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was/will be considered	Remarks
1. Protection of Wages on Insolvency (Amendment) Bill 2011	To amend the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Ordinance (Cap. 380) to provide for payment from the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund in respect of untaken statutory holidays and untaken annual leave, subject to certain limitations, and to make consequential and related amendments to the Bankruptcy Ordinance (Cap. 6) and the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32).	13.7.11	7.10.11	
2. Road Traffic (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2011	To amend the Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374) ("the Ordinance") and certain subsidiary legislation under the Ordinance in order to introduce the following measures to improve the safety of operation of public light buses : (a) imposing a cap on the maximum speed at which a public light bus may travel; (b) requiring every public light bus to be fitted with a speed limiter; (c) requiring every public light bus which is of any description to be specified to be fitted with an electronic data recording device; (d) making the attendance and completion of a pre-service course for drivers of public service vehicles a condition for the issue of a full driving licence to drive a public light bus; and (e) requiring every public light bus driver to display a driver identity plate in the public light bus when it is in passenger service.	13.7.11	7.10.11	

Name of Bill	Object(s) of the Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was/will be considered	Remarks
3. Personal Data (Privacy) (Amendment) Bill 2011	To amend the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance to provide for the regulation of the sale of personal data and the use of personal data in direct marketing; to create a new offence for the disclosure of personal data obtained without consent; to empower the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data to assist data subjects in bringing proceedings to seek compensation from data users under the Ordinance; to empower the Commissioner to verify the accuracy of data user returns and to impose certain charges; to give the person appointed to be the Commissioner and persons employed or engaged by the Commissioner immunity from civil liability in respect of certain actions or omissions; to impose a heavier penalty for repeated contravention of enforcement notices and to create a new offence for repeated contravention of the requirements under the Ordinance for which enforcement notices have been served; to introduce new exemptions in respect of certain requirements under the Ordinance; to make new provisions relating to data protection principles; to make technical amendments to improve the operation and presentation of the Ordinance; and to provide for related and consequential matters.	13.7.11	7.10.11	

Name of Bill	Object(s) of the Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was/will be considered	Remarks
4. Immigration (Amendment) Bill 2011	To amend the Immigration Ordinance to provide for a process for determining claims made by persons in Hong Kong for non-refoulement protection under Article 3 of the United Nations Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment; to provide for an appeal mechanism in relation to such claims and to establish the Torture Claims Appeal Board for this purpose; to enable any such claimant whose claim is successful to apply for permission to take employment or establish or join in a business in exceptional circumstances; to provide for conditions that may be attached to a recognizance; and to make related and consequential amendments.	13.7.11	7.10.11	
5. The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Amendment) Bill 2011	To amend The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Ordinance (Cap. 1075) : (a) to allow the members of the Council of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University ("the Council") who are employees or students of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University ("the University") to vote on the appointment and removal of the President and the Deputy President of the University; (b) to reduce the number of members of the Council from 29 to 25; (c) to change the composition of the Council; (d) to define more clearly that the Council's role is to set the policy on the terms and conditions of service of staff while the Management's role is to determine and approve the terms and conditions of service of individual staff members; and (e) to make modifications to the objects of the University in line with the University's development and changes in the social environment.	13.7.11	7.10.11	

List C : Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement - Mr Andy LAU PCS(A) Tel : 3919 3010	17.10.08 Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	5 18.11.08 25.6.09 14.9.10 4.10.10 15.2.11	18.3.11 (First report)	A meeting was held between the Subcommittee and the Independent Commission on Remuneration for Members of the Executive Council and the Legislature, and Officials under the Political Appointment System of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on 21 June 2011 to discuss the Subcommittee's proposals to enhance the level of Members' Operating Expenses Reimbursement.

List D : Subcommittee on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 3) Notice 2011 - Miss Becky YU CCS(1)1 Tel : 3919 3101	17.6.11 Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS, JP	3 29.6.11 11.7.11 29.7.11		Next meeting to be held on 25.10.11 to meet with the Administration.
2. Subcommittee on Residential Care Homes (Persons with Disabilities) Regulation and Residential Care Homes (Persons with Disabilities) Ordinance (Commencement) Notice 2011 - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	8.7.11 Hon WONG Sing-chi	3 22.7.11 15.8.11 26.8.11		The Chairman of the Subcommittee will move a motion at the Council meeting of 19.10.11 to extend the scrutiny period of the two items of subsidiary legislation to 9.11.11. Next meeting to be held on 11.10.11 to meet with the Administration.

List E : Subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
1. Subcommittee to Study Issues Arising from Lehman Brothers-related Minibonds and Structured Financial Products - Miss Polly YEUNG PCS(SC)1 Tel : 3919 3108	17.10.08 Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP (Chairman) Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS (Deputy Chairman)	148 (27.10.08)	To study issues arising from Lehman Brothers-related minibonds and structured financial products and to make recommendations where necessary.
2. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Mainland-HKSAR Families - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	2.1.09 Hon LEE Cheuk-yan (Chairman) Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung (Deputy Chairman)	18 (16.1.09)	To study the population policy and measures relating to Mainland-Hong Kong families, and make recommendations in this regard.

List F : Other subcommittees under House Committee in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
1. Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions - Ms YUE Tin-po CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	7.11.08 Dr Hon Margaret NG	11 (1.12.08)	To examine the implementation in Hong Kong resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to sanctions by Regulations made under section 3 of the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) and to follow up the recommendations made by the previous Subcommittee.
2. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Power of the Legislative Council to Amend Subsidiary Legislation - Mrs Sharon TONG PCS(2) Tel : 3919 3207	21.1.11 Dr Hon Margaret NG	3 (22.2.11)	To study issues relating to the power of the Legislative Council to amend subsidiary legislation which is subject to section 34 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) and the respective roles of the Legislature and the Executive Authorities under the Basic Law in the legislative process, and to make recommendations to the House Committee where necessary.

List G : Subcommittees under Panels in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Panel	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
1. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(1)2 Tel : 3919 3102	Panel on Transport	24.10.08 Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yea, GBS, JP	33 (21.11.08)	To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.
2. Subcommittee on Improving Air Quality - Miss Becky YU CCS(1)1 Tel : 3919 3101	Panel on Environmental Affairs	24.11.08 Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	14 (10.12.08)	To monitor and study policies as well as public concerns on improving air quality.
3. Subcommittee on Harbourfront Planning - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel : 3919 3104	Panel on Development	25.11.08 Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP	9 (5.12.08)	To monitor and study the planning, land use and related issues in respect of the harbourfront areas on both sides of the Victoria Harbour.
4. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project - Mr Thomas WONG CCS(2)2 Tel : 3919 3202	Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development	10.12.08 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman) Hon LEE Wing-tat (Deputy Chairman)	15 (19.12.08)	To monitor issues relating to the implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District project, including the work of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the project's interface with arts and cultural development, and other related matters.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Panel	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
5. Joint Subcommittee on Amendments to Land Titles Ordinance - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)5 Tel : 3919 3105	Panel on Development and Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services	20.1.09 Dr Hon Margaret NG	10 (10.2.09)	To monitor the Administration's work on the preparation of amendments to the Land Titles Ordinance in a focused manner and provide input in the bill drafting process.
6. Subcommittee on Building Safety and Related Issues - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel : 3919 3104	Panel on Development	23.2.10 Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon KAM Nai-wai, MH (Deputy Chairman)	6 (25.3.10)	To study building safety enhancement and related issues.
7. Subcommittee on Retirement Protection - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	Panel on Welfare Services	10.1.11 Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che	4 (6.5.11)	To study issues relating to the protection of retirement life of all people, and to follow up on the proposal of setting up and implementation of universal retirement protection for all people in Hong Kong.
8. Subcommittee on Registration of Proprietary Chinese Medicines - Mr Thomas WONG CCS(2)2 Tel : 3919 3202	Panel on Health Services	14.3.11 Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau	2 (22.6.11)	To review the mandatory registration of proprietary Chinese medicines and the implementation of the relevant provisions in the Chinese Medicines Ordinance (Cap. 549) and the Chinese Medicines Regulations (Cap. 549F).

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Panel	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
9. Subcommittee on Improving Barrier Free Access and Facilities for Persons with Disabilities - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	Panel on Welfare Services	10.1.11 Hon WONG Sing-chi	2 (21.6.11)	To monitor the Government's follow-up action on the 23 recommendations in the Equal Opportunities Commission's Formal Investigation Report on Accessibility in Publicly Accessible Premises, as well as to study issues relating to the provision of a barrier-free environment and facilities for persons with disabilities, and make recommendations when necessary.
10. Joint Subcommittee on Issues relating to Insurance Coverage for the Transport Sector - Mrs Sharon TONG PCS(2) Tel : 3919 3207	Panel on Financial Affairs and Panel on Transport	18.3.11		To study the issues relating to the difficulties encountered by the transport sector in obtaining insurance coverage, and where appropriate, to make recommendations on measures to tackle the problem.

List H : Subcommittee on policy issues on waiting list

Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme under the Panel on Health Services	8.8.11	To study issues relating to the introduction of the Health Protection Scheme as proposed by the Government for the second stage public consultation on healthcare reform and make recommendations where necessary.	At the special meeting of the Panel on Health Services on 8.8.11, members agreed to seek the approval of the House Committee to activate the work of the Subcommittee.