

**立法會**  
**Legislative Council**

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**Proposed commencement dates of Bills to be passed by the Legislative Council**

<b>Bills to be passed by LegCo</b>	<b>Responsible Legal Adviser</b>	<b>Proposed Commencement date</b>	<b>Remarks (if any)</b>
(1) Residential Properties (First-hand Sales) Bill	ALA5	Clause 2 provides that the Ordinance will come into operation on a day to be appointed by Secretary for Transport and Housing by notice published in the Gazette. The Administration has indicated at Bills Committee meetings that it will take 12 months for preparatory work before the Ordinance will commence operation.	Nil
(2) United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2012	ALA3	Date of publication in the Gazette.	FATF requires the amendments to be in place by June 2012.

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(3) Companies Bill	SALA3/ ALA2	The enacted Ordinance will come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury by notice published in the Gazette.	The Bill consists of 909 clauses and 10 schedules. According to the Administration, a number of subsidiary legislation has to be made before the enacted Ordinance comes into operation. Subject to the passage of the Bill, the Administration aims to introduce the subsidiary legislation in late 2012 or early 2013. Subject to Legislative Council's scrutiny, the subsidiary legislation will commence operation together with the enacted Ordinance around 2014.
(4) Legal Practitioners (Amendment) Bill 2010	ALA7	According to the Bill, the Ordinance comes into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Justice.	Nil

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(5) Immigration (Amendment) Bill 2011	SALA1	The enacted Ordinance will come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Security by notice published in the gazette.	The Bill seeks to provide a statutory basis for the existing screening mechanism for torture claims.
(6) Buildings Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2011	ALA7	According to Administration's CSA, the Ordinance comes into operation on the day on which it is published in the Gazette except the commencement date of the provisions relating to signboard (sections 2A, 5, 6, 6A, 6B and 6C) is to be appointed by the Secretary for [Development].	Nil
(7) Trade Descriptions (Unfair Trade Practices) (Amendment) Bill 2012	ALA3	A date to be appointed by the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development.	According to the Administration: sometime in 2013

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(8) Statue Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2012	ALA1	<p>The Ordinance comes into operation on the day on which it is published in the Gazette, except –</p> <p>(a) Division 1 of Part 8 comes into operation on the day on which section 2 of the Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997 (94 of 1997) comes into operation; and</p> <p>Section 72(2) comes into operation on the date the Lifts and Escalators Ordinance (8 of 2012) comes into operation.</p>	Nil
(9) Supplementary Appropriation (2011-2012) Bill	ALA6	Upon gazettal of the Bill if enacted.	No Bills Committee has been formed.

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(10) Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2012	ALA8	Clauses 2, 3 and 4 of the Bill, which relate to the extension of the entitlement years for home loan interest tax deduction from 10 years to 15 years, are deemed to have come into operation on 1 April 2012. Save for the aforesaid, the Bill will come into operation on the day on which it is published in the Gazette.	Nil

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