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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 19 February 2013)

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

List A: Bills Committees in action								
Name of Bills Committee Clerk 1. Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2012 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 9.1.13	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 11.1.13 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)	Date and number of meetings held 4 18.1.13 25.1.13 4.2.13 18.2.13 (2 sessions)	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 28.2.13 to meet with the Administration.		
Bills Committee on Inland Revenue and Stamp Duty Legislation (Alternative Bond Schemes) (Amendment) Bill 2012 Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104 Bills Committee on Pesticides		Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	1 29.1.13			Next meeting to be held on 18.3.13 to meet with deputations and the Administration.		
 3. Bills Committee on Pesticides (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Amy YU CCS(2)6 Tel: 3919 3206 	6.2.13	8.2.13				First meeting to be held on 26.2.13 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.		

List B : Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement								
	Date of formation of	Date and	Date to report					
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	to House					
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks				
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration	26.10.12	1		The Subcommittee has invited Members' views				
and Operating Expenses Reimbursement		4.12.12		on pursuing with the Administration the				
- Mr Matthew LOO	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP			outstanding proposals as set out in the				
PCS(A)				Subcommittee's report on "Review of the				
Tel: 3919 3010				Operating Expenses Reimbursement for				
				Legislative Council Members" published in				
				March 2011 vide LC Paper No. AS126/12-13				
				issued on 7 January 2013. About 50 Members				
				have provided their views and the Secretariat is				
				now collating the views for the Subcommittee's				
				consideration.				

List C : Subcommittee on sub	sidiary legislation/dra	ft subsidiar	y legislation	other instruments in action
Name of Subcommittee Clerk 1. Subcommittee on Three Proposed Resolutions under Section 5(3)(b) of the Public Bus Services Ordinance (Cap. 230) - Ms Sophie LAU	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 11.1.13 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	Date and number of meetings held 1 25.1.13	Date to report to House Committee 1.3.13	Remarks Reporting to the House Committee on 1.3.13.
CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3102 2. Subcommittee on Personal Data	8.2.13			The Chairman of the House Committee will
(Privacy) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012 (Commencement) Notice - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203	8.2.13			move a motion at the Council meeting of 20.2.13 to extend the scrutiny period of the Notice to 20.3.13. First meeting to be held on 22.2.13 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.
3. Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation Made under the New Companies Ordinance - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104	8.2.13			The Chairman of the House Committee will move a motion at the Council meeting of 20.2.13 to extend the scrutiny period of the five items of subsidiary legislation to 27.3.13. First meeting to be held on 21.2.13 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 4. Subcommittee on Securities and Futures (Contracts Limits and Paragraphs Positions)	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 8.2.13	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks The Chairman of the House Committee will
(Contracts Limits and Reportable Positions) (Amendment) Rules 2013 - Ms Sophie LAU				move a motion at the Council meeting of 20.2.13 to extend the scrutiny period of the Rules to 27.3.13.
CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3102				First meeting to be held on 26.2.13 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.
5. Subcommittee on Residential Properties (First-hand Sales) Ordinance (Commencement) Notice - Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101				The Chairman of the House Committee will move a motion at the Council meeting of 20.2.13 to extend the scrutiny period of the Notice to 27.3.13. First meeting to be held on 28.2.13 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.

List D : Subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action							
	Date of formation of	Number of meetings					
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	held					
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee				
1. Subcommittee on Poverty	12.10.12	3	To study relevant policies and measures to ease				
- Mr Colin CHUI		(5.11.12)	the disparity between the rich and the poor and				
CCS(2)4	Hon Frederick FUNG		alleviate poverty, follow up the work of the				
Tel: 3919 3204	Kin-kee, SBS, JP		Government's Commission on Poverty and make				
	(Chairman)		timely recommendations.				
	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG						
	Chiu-hung (Deputy Chairman)						

List E : Other subcommittee under House Committee in action							
	Date of formation of	Number of meetings					
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	held					
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee				
1. Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation	12.10.12	2	To examine the implementation in Hong Kong				
in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United		(31.10.12)	resolutions of the United Nations Security				
Nations Security Council in relation to	Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan		Council in relation to sanctions by Regulations				
Sanctions			made under section 3 of the United Nations				
- Ms Annette LAM			Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) and to follow up				
CCS(1)3			the recommendations made by the previous				
Tel: 3919 3103			Subcommittee.				

	List F:	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
Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways Ms Sophie LAU CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3102	Panel on Transport	Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP (Chairman) Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, BBS, MH, JP (Deputy Chairman)	(30.11.12)	To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.
 2. Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204 	Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services	19.11.12 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon TANG Ka-piu (Deputy Chairman)	2 (14.12.12)	To study the long-term care policy and services, including home-based, community-based and residential care services for the elderly, people with disabilities and the chronically ill, discuss the policy concerned with the Administration and make timely recommendations.
3. Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme - Ms Elyssa WONG CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	Panel on Health Services	19.11.12 Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau	2 (12.12.12)	To study issues relating to the introduction of Health Protection Scheme as proposed by the Government for the Second Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform and make recommendations where necessary.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 4. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Air, Noise and Light Pollution - Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101	Panel Panel on Environmental Affairs	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 26.11.12 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 3 (12.12.12)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To monitor and review government policies on and initiatives to address problems of air, noise and light pollution for better protection of public health.
 5. Subcommittee on the Long Term Housing Strategy Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101 	Panel on Housing	3.12.12 Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH (Chairman) Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen (Deputy Chairman)	2 (18.12.12)	To study all relevant housing-related information and ways to increase housing supply to meet the needs of various groups in the community, and make recommendations on the Long Term Housing Strategy.
6. Subcommittee on Integrated Education - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel: 3919 3402	Panel on Education	11.12.12 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon IP Kin-yuen (Deputy Chairman)	2 (8.1.13)	To study and review the existing policy on integrated education, including the support measures for students with special educational needs and the strengthening of teaching, administrative and financial support for special schools and schools implementing integrated education, and make timely recommendations.
7. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)2 Tel: 3919 3202	Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development	Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	1 (29.1.13)	To monitor issues relating to the implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District project, including the work of West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the project's interface with arts and cultural development, and other related matters.

List G: Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list							
	Date of appointment						
Name of Subcommittee	of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks				
Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services	14.1.13	To study issues relating to the 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.	At the meeting of the House Committee on 25.1.13, Members agreed that the Subcommittee could be activated when a vacant slot arose upon the completion of work of any one of the subcommittees on policy issues in operation.				
2. Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services	21.1.13	To study issues relating to the strategy and measures to tackle domestic violence, including: (a) statistics, definition, identification and assessment of domestic violence; (b) relocation of accommodation, emotional support and various follow-up services for victims; (c) legal proceedings relating to cases of domestic violence, as well as anti-violence programmes and counselling services for batterers; (d) measures to prevent domestic violence and review on child fatality and serious cases; (e) manpower, resources and workload of the relevant organizations and government departments, as well as co-ordination among various services; (f) special needs of specific groups, including children, new-arrivals, ethnic minorities, homosexuals and transgendered persons, etc.; and (g) policies and follow-ups on domestic violence.	At the special meeting of the Panel on Welfare Services on 21.1.13, members agreed to appoint the Subcommittee and noted that it would be placed on the waiting list.				

Name of Subcommittee 3. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Public Markets under the Panel on Food	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study and review issues relating to the policy and business environment of public markets; assess the demand for public markets according to	Environmental Hygiene on 5.2.13, members agreed to appoint the Subcommittee and noted
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under the Panel on Food	assess the demand for public markets according to	agreed to appoint the Subcommittee and noted
Safety and Environmental	the district-based principle; examine the	that it would be placed on the waiting list.
Hygiene	Administration's proposals for the rental	
	adjustment mechanism and air-conditioning	
	charging arrangement for public market stalls; and	
	make timely recommendations.	