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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 26 February 2013)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	5	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of vacant slots of Bills Committees	:	11	
	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	:	4	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	5.	Number of subcommittee on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/ other instruments reporting to House Committee on 1.3.13	:	1	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6.	Number of subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7.	Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8.	Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	7	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
	9.	Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	:	3	(see <u>List H</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.		
2. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue and Stamp Duty Legislation (Alternative Bond Schemes) (Amendment) Bill 2012 - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104		11.1.13 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 Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP	1 26.2.13			Next meeting to be held on 15.3.13 to meet with deputations and the Administration, and another meeting to be held on 15.4.13 to meet with the Administration.		

Name of Bills Committee Clerk 4. Bills Committee on Trust Law (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Sharon CHUNG CCS(1)6 Tel: 3919 3106	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 20.2.13	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 22.2.13	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks First meeting to be held on 1.3.13 to elect the Chairman.
5. Bills Committee on District Councils (Amendment) Bill 2013 - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203	20.2.13	22.2.13				First meeting to be held on 1.3.13 to elect the Chairman.

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: Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action Date of formation of Date and Date to report Name of Subcommittee Subcommittee number of to House Committee Clerk Chairman/Deputy Chairman meetings held Remarks 1. Subcommittee Verbal report to the House Committee on Personal 8.2.13 on Data (Privacy) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012 22.2.13 1.3.13. (Commencement) Notice Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203 Next meeting to be held on 27.2.13 to meet 2. Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation 8.2.13 1 21.2.13 with the Administration. Made under the New Companies Ordinance - Ms Connie SZETO Hon WONG Ting-kwong, CCS(1)4 SBS, JP Tel: 3919 3104 (Chairman) Hon Kenneth LEUNG (Deputy Chairman) 3. Subcommittee on Securities and Futures 8.2.13 Next meeting to be held on 1.3.13 to meet 26.2.13 with the Administration. (Contracts Limits and Reportable Positions) Hon James TO Kun-sun (Amendment) Rules 2013 - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3102 4. Subcommittee on Residential **Properties** 8.2.13 First meeting to be held on 28.2.13 to elect Ordinance Chairman (First-hand Sales) and meet with (Commencement) Notice Administration. - Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101

List D : Subcommittee on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments reporting to House Committee on 1.3.13

	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
1. Subcommittee on Three Proposed	11.1.13	1	1.3.13	Reporting to the House Committee on 1.3.13.
Resolutions under Section 5(3)(b) of the		25.1.13		
Public Bus Services Ordinance (Cap. 230)	Hon CHAN Kam-lam,			
- Ms Sophie LAU	SBS, JP			
CCS(1)2				
Tel: 3919 3102				

List E: 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 F : 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 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
 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)	2 (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)	3 (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.

		Date of formation of	Number of meetings	
Name of Subcommittee		Subcommittee	held	
Clerk	Panel	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee
 4. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Air, Noise and Light Pollution - Ms Miranda HON CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101 	Panel on Environmental Affairs	26.11.12 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	4 (12.12.12)	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)	2 (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 H : 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.	25.1.13, Members agreed that the					
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.					

	Date of appointment		
Name of Subcommittee	of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
3. Subcommittee on Issues	5.2.13	To study and review issues relating to the policy	At the meeting of the Panel on Food Safety and
Relating to Public Markets		and business environment of public markets;	Environmental Hygiene on 5.2.13, members
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.	