

District Cooling Services Bill
Debate and voting arrangements

First debate :	Clauses with no amendment – Clauses 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11 to 21, 23 and 26 to 34
Voting:	To vote on the above clauses standing part of the Bill
Second debate :	Clauses with amendments proposed by the Secretary for the Environment – Clauses 2, 4, 5, 6, 10, 22, 24 and 25
Joint debate on the original clauses and the amendments thereto.	
<u>Clause 2</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- to make a textual amendment to the definition of approved consumer to achieve consistency in the relevant reference to other provisions;- to make a textual amendment to the definition of estimated maximum cooling capacity to achieve consistency between its English and Chinese versions; and- to add the definition of agreed starting date for ease of reference in clauses 4, 5 and 6 of the Bill.	
<u>Clauses 4, 5(1), 6(1) and 6(1)(a)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- consequential to the addition of the definition of agreed starting date in clause 2, to add subclause (4A) to clause 4 to make it clear when the person approved under section 4(4) will become the consumer of district cooling services, and to make consequential amendments to clauses 5(1), 6(1) and 6(1)(a) to render the wording of the relevant provisions consistent with that of the proposed clause 4(4A).	
<u>Clauses 4(2)(b), 10(1), 24(1)(b), (c) and (2)(b)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- to make textual amendments to the above clauses to render their meanings clearer or to make their wording consistent with that of other relevant clauses of the Bill or relevant sections of other Ordinances.	
<u>Clause 22(1)(c) and (d)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- to add clause 7(1)(d), (e) and (f) to the above clause to the effect that any person who is aggrieved by the decision to suspend or terminate district cooling services under section 7(1)(d), (e) or (f) or not to resume district cooling services under section 8(2) where the services were suspended may appeal to the appeal board under clause 22(1).	
<u>Clause 25(2)(b)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- to amend the above clause to reflect the Administration's intent clearly, i.e. at least one member from each of the following three categories specified in clause 24(1)(b), (c) and (d) is appointed to constitute an appeal board:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) a corporate member of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers in one or more of the electrical, mechanical and building services disciplines;(ii) a corporate member of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers in a discipline other than those mentioned in (i); and(iii) a person who is not, in the opinion of the Secretary for the Environment, from the engineering profession.	
Voting:	To vote on the above amendments together

Third debate : Clauses with amendments proposed by the Secretary for the Environment – Schedules 1 and 2

Joint debate on the original clauses and the amendments thereto.

Schedule 1

- to make a consequential technical change to the amendment to clause 10(1).

Sections 1(2) and 5(1) of Schedule 2

- to improve the presentation of the provisions.

Voting: To vote on the above amendments together

The Secretary for the Environment's amendments

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