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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 9 December 2014)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	11	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of vacant slots of Bills Committees	:	5	
	3.	Number of bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	4	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	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 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	:	9	(see <u>List G</u> for details)

List A: Bills Committees in action							
Name of Bills Committee Clerk 1. Bills Committee on Pharmacy and Poisons (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 26.3.14	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 28.3.14 Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP, PhD, RN	8 24.4.14 20.5.14	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 16.12.14 to meet with the Administration.	
 2. Bills Committee on Insurance Companies (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104 	30.4.14	2.5.14 Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	8 27.5.14 24.6.14 30.6.14 21.7.14 20.10.14 11.11.14 24.11.14 9.12.14			Next meeting to be held on 22.12.14 to meet with the Administration.	
3. Bills Committee on Electronic Health Record Sharing System Bill - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	30.4.14	2.5.14 Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP	9 13.5.14 19.5.14 26.5.14 16.6.14 24.6.14 29.7.14 14.10.14 11.11.14 8.12.14			Next meeting to be scheduled.	

Name of Bills Committee Clerk 4. Bills Committee on Property Management Services Bill - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)2 Tel: 3919 3202	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 7.5.14	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 9.5.14 Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS (Chairman) Hon WU Chi-wai, MH (Deputy Chairman)	Date and number of meetings held 5 11.6.14 23.7.14 (2 sessions) 15.10.14 4.11.14 25.11.14	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 12.1.15 to meet with the Administration.
 5. Bills Committee on Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms YUE Tin-po CCS(4)3 Tel: 3919 3403 	18.6.14	20.6.14 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	6 17.7.14 14.10.14 25.10.14 (4 sessions) 4.11.14 18.11.14 8.12.14			Next meeting to be held on 16.12.14 to meet with the Administration.
6. Bills Committee on Securities and Futures and Companies Legislation (Uncertificated Securities Market Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104	25.6.14	27.6.14 Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS, JP	3 18.7.14 20.10.14 17.11.14			Next meeting to be held on 15.12.14 to meet with the Administration.
 7. Bills Committee on Private Columbaria Bill - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204 	25.6.14	27.6.14 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman) Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Deputy Chairman)	3 29.7.14 25.10.14 (2 sessions) 25.11.14			Next meeting to be held on 15.12.14 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk 8. Bills Committee on Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 2.7.14	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 4.7.14 Hon CHAN Kin-por,	6 22.7.14 30.9.14	Date to report to House Committee 9.1.15	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate 21.1.15	Remarks Reporting to the House Committee on 9.1.15.
2014 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103		BBS, JP	7.10.14 27.10.14 17.11.14 2.12.14			
9. Bills Committee on Veterinary Surgeons Registration (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Mr Thomas WONG CCS(3)1 Tel: 3919 3302	9.7.14	10.10.14 Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP	3 28.10.14 17.11.14 2.12.14			Next meeting to be held on 5.1.15 to meet with the Administration.
10. Bills Committee on Land (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Mr Derek LO CCS(1)5 Tel: 3919 3105	9.7.14	Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS	2 28.10.14 24.11.14	16.1.15	28.1.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 16.1.15.
 11. Bills Committee on District Cooling Services Bill - Ms Shirley CHAN CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101 	15.10.14	17.10.14 Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, BBS, MH, JP	1 25.11.14			Next meeting to be held on 16.12.14 to meet with deputations and the Administration.

List B: Bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate							
Name of Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was considered	Council meeting at which Second Reading debate will be resumed (if known)	Remarks			
Kowloon Tong Church of the Chinese Christian and Missionary Alliance Incorporation (Amendment) Bill 2014	4.6.14	6.6.14		Members noted at the House Committee meeting on 4.7.14 that Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG had withdrawn her notice for resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 9.7.14.			
2. Employment (Amendment) Bill 2014	26.3.14	28.3.14 5.12.14	17.12.14				
3. Construction Workers Registration (Amendment) Bill 2014	30.4.14	2.5.14 5.12.14	17.12.14				
4. Administration of Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2014	7.5.14	9.5.14 5.12.14	17.12.14				

List C : 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	2		The Subcommittee has conducted a survey on				
and Operating Expenses Reimbursement		4.12.12		staff turnover in Members' offices. Outcome of				
- Ms Dora WAI	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	7.6.13		the survey and related proposals have been				
PCS1				forwarded to the Administration for				
Tel: 3919 3660				consideration.				

List D : Subcommittees on	subsidiary legislation/d Date of formation of	Date and	Date to report	on/other instruments in action
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	to House	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Dangerous Dogs Regulation (Exemption) (Amendment) Notice 2014 and Rabies (TNR Programme) (Exemption) Notice - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203	21.11.14 Hon Claudia MO	1 28.11.14	19.12.14	Reporting to the House Committee on 19.12.14.
 2. Subcommittee on Electronic Transactions Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2014 - Ms YUE Tin-po CCS(4)3 Tel: 3919 3403 	5.12.14			The Chairman of the House Committee will move a proposed resolution at the Council meeting of 10.12.14 to extend the scrutiny period of the Order to the Council meeting of 21.1.15. First meeting to be held on 19.12.14 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.

List E : Subcommittee on policy issues under House Committee in action							
	Date of formation of	Number of meetings					
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	held	Terms of reference of the				
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	subcommittee	Remarks			
1. Subcommittee on Poverty	12.10.12	23	To study relevant policies and	The Subcommittee reactivated its			
- Mr Colin CHUI		(5.11.12)	measures to ease the disparity	work on 12.3.14. The			
CCS(2)4	Hon Frederick FUNG		between the rich and the poor and	Subcommittee should complete its			
Tel: 3919 3204	Kin-kee, SBS, JP		alleviate poverty, follow up the	work within the remainder of the			
	(Chairman)		work of the Government's	extension period originally sought,			
			Commission on Poverty and	i.e. by 18.1.15. The			
	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG		make timely recommendations.	Subcommittee will discuss the			
	Chiu-hung		·	need for further extension of its			
	(Deputy Chairman)			work at the meeting scheduled for			
				16.12.14.			

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	12.10.12	6	To examine the implementation in Hong Kong				
Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions		(31.10.12)	resolutions of the United Nations Security				
of the United Nations Security Council in	Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan, JP		Council in relation to sanctions by Regulations				
relation to 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 1. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport - Ms Sophie LAU CCS(4)6 Tel: 3919 3102	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 16.11.12 Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP (Chairman) Hon WONG Kwok-hing, BBS, MH (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 17 (30.11.12)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.	Remarks At the House Committee meeting on 31.10.14, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 30.9.15.			
 2. Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205 	19.11.12 Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau	10 (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.	At the House Committee meeting on 31.10.14, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 30.9.15.			
3. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development - Ms Amy YU CCS(2)6 Tel: 3919 3206	Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	16 (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.	At the House Committee meeting on 31.10.14, Members agreed that permission be given for the Joint Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 30.9.15.			

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 4. Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 14.1.13 Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 8 (25.2.14)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee 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.	Remarks Views of the Subcommittee are being sought on the need for further extension of its work in the 2014-2015 session. Subject to the agreement of the Subcommittee and the endorsement of the Panel of Welfare Services, the proposal will be submitted to the House Committee for approval.
5. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Public Markets under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)2 Tel: 3919 3202	5.2.13 Hon Vincent FANG Kang, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	4 (25.3.14)	To study and review issues relating to the policy and business environment of public markets; assess the demand for public markets according to the district-based principle; examine the Administration's proposals for the rental adjustment mechanism and air-conditioning charging arrangement for public market stalls; and make timely recommendations.	
6. Subcommittee on Hawker Policy under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(4)5 Tel: 3919 3404	9.7.13 Hon Steven HO Chun-yin (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	3 (15.4.14)	To study and review the hawker policy with the objectives of facilitating the long-term development of the hawking trade and improvement of the management and operating environment of the hawker areas and make timely recommendations.	_

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 7. Subcommittee to Study the Implementation of Free Kindergarten Education under the Panel on Education - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel: 3919 3402	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 14.4.14 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon IP Kin-yuen (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting) 1 (27.10.14)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study and review the progress, arrangements, policy and matters related to the implementation of free kindergarten education, and make recommendations where necessary.	Remarks
8. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Development of Chinese Medicine under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203	16.6.14 Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP	2 (5.11.14)	To study and review the Government's strategy, policies and initiatives to promote the long-term development of Chinese medicine and make timely recommendations.	_
9. Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	21.1.13 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	1 (3.12.14)	To study issues relating to the strategy and measures to tackle domestic violence and sexual violence, including: (a) the effectiveness and progress of the services already in place which were discussed by the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Family Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services of the Third Legislative Council; (b) statistics, definition, identification and assessment of domestic violence and sexual violence; (c) relocation of accommodation, emotional support and various follow-up services for those involved in cases of domestic violence and sexual violence; (to be continued on next page)	

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	Date of formation of	meetings held		
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	(Date of first		
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
(continued from previous page)			(d) legal proceedings relating to cases of domestic	
			violence and sexual violence, as well as anti-	
			violence programmes and counselling services for	
			batterers;	
			(e) education and preventive measures against domestic	
			violence and sexual violence (including hidden	
			cases of domestic violence and sexual violence), and	
			review on child fatality and serious cases;	
			(f) manpower, resources and workload of the relevant	
			organizations and government departments, as well	
			as co-ordination among various services for	
			handling domestic violence and sexual violence	
			(including measures taken by the Police and the	
			Social Welfare Department and their co-operation in	
			handling the relevant cases, procedural guidelines	
			and classification system of the Police for handling	
			the relevant cases, as well as measures taken by the	
			relevant organizations and government departments	
			to help those involved in cases of domestic violence	
			and sexual violence lead a new life);	
			(g) special needs of specific groups, including elderly	
			persons, children, new-arrivals, ethnic minorities,	
			homosexuals, transgendered persons, persons with	
			disabilities and sex workers, etc. when encountering	
			domestic violence and sexual violence;	
			(h) the relationship between the provision of mental	
			health services and the occurrence of domestic	
			violence incidents in the community, as well as the	
			support for the families and persons concerned; and	
			(i) policies and follow-ups for handling domestic	
			violence and sexual violence.	