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Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 3 February 2015)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	8	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of vacant slots of Bills Committees	:	8	
	3.	Number of bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	2	(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	:	3	(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)
	9.	Number of subcommittee on policy issues on the waiting list	:	1	(see <u>List H</u> for details)

List A : Bills Committees in action							
Name of Bills Committee Clerk 1. Bills Committee on Insurance Companies (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 30.4.14	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 2.5.14 Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	Date and number of meetings held 11 27.5.14 24.6.14 30.6.14 21.7.14 20.10.14 11.11.14 24.11.14 9.12.14 22.12.14 12.1.15 27.1.15	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 9.2.15 to meet with the Administration.	
2. 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	11 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 13.1.15 2.2.15			Next meeting to be held on 9.2.15 to meet with the Administration.	

Name of Bills Committee Clerk 3. 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 6 11.6.14 23.7.14 (2 sessions) 15.10.14 4.11.14 25.11.14 12.1.15	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 9.2.15 to meet with the Administration.
 4. 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	10 17.7.14 14.10.14 25.10.14 (4 sessions) 4.11.14 18.11.14 8.12.14 16.12.14 6.1.15 20.1.15 3.2.15			Next meeting to be held on 24.2.15 to meet with the Administration.
5. 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	5 18.7.14 20.10.14 17.11.14 15.12.14 22.1.15	27.2.15	18.3.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 27.2.15.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk 6. Bills Committee on Private Columbaria Bill - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 25.6.14	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 27.6.14 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman) Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Deputy Chairman)	Date and number of meetings held 5 29.7.14 25.10.14 (2 sessions) 25.11.14 15.12.14 23.1.15	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 16.2.15 to meet with the Administration.
7. 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	6 28.10.14 17.11.14 2.12.14 5.1.15 12.1.15 26.1.15	27.2.15	18.3.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 27.2.15.
8. 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	5 25.11.14 16.12.14 5.1.15 13.1.15 29.1.15			The Bills Committee has held five meetings since commencement of its work on 25.11.14. The Chairman of the Bills Committee has advised that the Bills Committee needs to work beyond three months since its commencement. Next meeting to be held on 9.2.15 to meet with 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. Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2014	17.12.14	19.12.14 9.1.15	4.2.15			

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				
- Ms Dora WAI	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	7.6.13		of the survey and related proposals have been				
PCS1	-			forwarded to the Administration for				
Tel: 3919 3660				consideration.				

List D : Subcommittees on	subsidiary legislation/dr	aft subsidia	ry legislatio	on/other instruments in action
Name of Subcommittee Clerk 1. Subcommittee on Minimum Wage Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 3) Notice 2015 and Employment Ordinance (Amendment of Ninth Schedule) Notice 2015 - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 23.1.15 Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP	Date and number of meetings held 1 30.1.15	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks Next meeting to be held on 11.2.15 to meet with deputations and the Administration. The Chairman of the Subcommittee will move a proposed resolution at the Council meeting of 11.2.15 to extend the scrutiny period of the two Notices to the Council meeting of 18.3.15.
2. Subcommittee on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing (Financial Institutions) Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 2) Notice 2015 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103	30.1.15			First meeting to be held on 10.2.15 to elect the Chairman and meet with the Administration.
3. Subcommittee on Toys and Children's Products Safety Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 2) Notice 2015 - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(4)5 Tel: 3919 3404	30.1.15			First meeting to be held on 7.2.15 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	26	To study relevant policies and	At the House Committee meeting			
- Mr Colin CHUI		(5.11.12)	measures to ease the disparity	on 9.1.15, Members agreed that			
CCS(2)4	Hon Frederick FUNG		between the rich and the poor and	permission be given for the			
Tel: 3919 3204	Kin-kee, SBS, JP		alleviate poverty, follow up the	Subcommittee to further extend			
	(Chairman)		work of the Government's	the period of its work until			
			Commission on Poverty and	31.1.16.			
	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG		make timely recommendations.				
	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	12.10.12	7	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) 18 (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)	17 (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.	1			

Name of Subcommittee Clerk 4. Subcommittee on Retirement	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study issues relating to the	Remarks At the House Committee meeting
Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Deputy Chairman)	(25.2.14)	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.	on 9.1.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to extend the period of its work until 30.9.15.
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)	5 (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) 3 (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	4 (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)	2 (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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(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.	

List H : Subcommittee on policy issues on the waiting list						
Name of Subcommittee 1. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Mainland-HKSAR Families under the House Committee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee 23.1.15	Terms of reference of the subcommittee To study issues relating to Mainland-HKSAR families and make recommendations where necessary.				