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## Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees (as at 23 February 2016)

Summary	1.	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	14	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2.	Number of Bills Committees reporting to House Committee on 26.2.16	:	2	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	3.	Number of vacant slot of Bills Committee	:	0	
	4.	Number of bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	7	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	5.	Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	:		(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6.	Number of subcommittee on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action	:	1	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7.	Number of subcommittee on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments reporting to the House Committee on 26.2.16	:	1	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8.	Number of subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	3	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
	9.	Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List H</u> for details)
	10	. Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	7	(see <u>List I</u> for details)
	11	. Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	:	2	(see <u>List J</u> for details)

	List A : Bills Committees in action									
Name of Bills Committee Clerk  1. 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)	26 29.7.14	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks Next meeting to be scheduled.				

Name of Bills Committee Clerk  2. Bills Committee on Human Reproductive Technology (Amendment) Bill 2015  - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 18.3.15	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 20.3.15 Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki	Date and number of meetings held  7  9.4.15  27.4.15  12.5.15  2.6.15  6.7.15  5.10.15  12.1.16	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks  Next meeting to be scheduled.
3. Bills Committee on Chinese Permanent Cemeteries (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Miss Josephine SO CCS(2)2 Tel: 3919 3202	8.7.15	9.10.15  Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS	4 27.10.15 27.11.15 22.12.15 12.1.16			The Bills Committee has completed its scrutiny work and will report to the House Committee in due course.
<ul> <li>4. Bills Committee on Kai Tak Cruise Terminal Bill</li> <li>- Ms Shirley CHAN CCS(4)5 Tel: 3919 3404</li> </ul>	8.7.15	9.10.15  Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	6 20.10.15 24.11.15 8.12.15 19.1.16 2.2.16 23.2.16			Next meeting to be held on 1.3.16 to meet with the Administration.
<ul> <li>5. Bills Committee on Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Product Container) (Amendment) Bill 2015</li> <li>- Ms Angel SHEK CCS(1)1</li> <li>Tel: 3919 3101</li> </ul>	8.7.15	9.10.15 Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP	5 30.10.15 30.11.15 15.12.15 11.1.16 2.2.16			Pending members' comments on the Administration's response and the final version of its proposed Committee stage amendments, the Bills Committee will consider the need to hold a further meeting.

Name of Bills Committee  Clerk  6. Bills Committee on Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Bill 2015  - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 14.10.15	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 16.10.15 Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP	Date and number of meetings held  6 6.11.15 30.11.15 14.12.15 11.1.16 25.1.16 16.2.16	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks  Next meeting to be held on 1.3.16 to meet with the Administration.
7. Bills Committee on Patents (Amendment) Bill 2015  - Mr Desmond LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103	11.11.15	Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, SBS, JP	5 1.12.15 22.12.15 12.1.16 2.2.16 23.2.16			The Bills Committee has held five meetings since commencement of its work on 1.12.15. 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 31.3.16 to meet with the Administration.
8. Bills Committee on Financial Institutions (Resolution) Bill - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel: 3919 3104	2.12.15	4.12.15  Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	4 15.12.15 5.1.16 19.1.16 15.2.16			The Bills Committee has held four meetings since commencement of its work on 15.12.15. 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 29.2.16 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk  9. Bills Committee on Eastern Harbour Crossing Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2015  - Ms Shirley CHAN CCS(4)5 Tel: 3919 3404	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 16.12.15	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 18.12.15 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	Date and number of meetings held  2 12.1.16 16.2.16	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks  Next meeting to be held on 1.3.16 to meet with the Administration.
10. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 4) Bill 2015 - Mr Daniel SIN CCS(4)3 Tel: 3919 3403	16.12.15	18.12.15  Hon Kenneth LEUNG	2 12.1.16 26.1.16			Next meeting to be held on 29.2.16 to meet with the Administration.
11. Bills Committee on Electoral Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Bill 2015  - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel: 3919 3203	16.12.15	18.12.15  Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	3 6.1.16 27.1.16 1.2.16			Next meeting to be held on 24.2.16 to meet with the Administration.
12. Bills Committee on Fire Services (Amendment) Bill 2015  - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel: 3919 3205	16.12.15	18.12.15  Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS	2 5.2.16 22.2.16			Next meeting to be held on 29.2.16 to meet with deputations and the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
13. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2016 - Ms Angel SHEK CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101		22.1.16  Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP	1 2.2.16	Commutee	Reading debate	Next meeting to be held on 1.3.16 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
14. Bills Committee on Securities and Futures (Amendment) Bill 2016  - Ms Angel SHEK CCS(1)1 Tel: 3919 3101	27.1.16	29.1.16  Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	1 23.2.16			Next meeting to be scheduled.

Lis	List B: Bills Committees reporting to House Committee on 26.2.16								
Name of Bills Committee Clerk  1. Bills Committee on Interception of Communications and Surveillance (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council 11.2.15	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 27.2.15  Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS (Deputy Chairman)	17 27.3.15 9.4.15 2.5.15 (2 sessions) 11.5.15 1.6.15 22.6.15 29.6.15 14.7.15 6.10.15 12.10.15 23.10.15 2.11.15 9.11.15 16.11.15 15.12.15 4.1.16 2.2.16		Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate 16.3.16	Remarks Reporting to the House Committee on 26.2.16.			
<ul> <li>2. Bills Committee on Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill 2015</li> <li>- Mr Desmond LAM CCS(1)3 Tel: 3919 3103</li> </ul>	25.11.15	27.11.15  Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP	4 15.12.15 11.1.16 (2 sessions) 26.1.16 (2 sessions) 15.2.16	26.2.16	16.3.16	Reporting to the House Committee on 26.2.16.			

Lis	List C: 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 resumed/will be resumed (if known)  16.12.15	Remarks The Second Booding of the Bill was recovered.							
1. Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2014	18.0.14	20.6.14 13.11.15	10.12.13	The Second Reading of the Bill was resumed at the Council meeting of 16.12.15. The debate continued at the Council meetings of 6.1.16 and 20.1.16. The motion for the Second Reading of the Bill was agreed to at the Council meeting of 20.1.16. The remaining proceedings after the Second Reading on the Bill continued at the Council meetings of 27.1.16 and 3.2.16, and the Committee stage amendments and Third Reading of the Bill will be continued to be dealt with at the Council meeting of 24.2.16.							
2. Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill 2015	13.5.15	15.5.15 4.12.15	24.2.16	The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 16.12.15.  As the unfinished business on the Agendas of the Council meetings of 16.12.15, 6.1.16, 13.1.16, 20.1.16, 27.1.16 and 3.2.16 will stand over to the Council meeting of 24.2.16. The Second Reading debate on the Bill will be resumed at the Council meeting of 24.2.16.							

(Amendment)			Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was considered 27.11.15 22.1.16	Council meeting at which Second Reading debate resumed/will be resumed (if known)  24.2.16	Remarks  The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 3.2.16.
Disposal (Elec	Recycling and Propertical Equipment are aipment) (Amendment)	d	20.3.15 22.1.16	24.2.16	As the unfinished business on the Agenda of the Council meetings of 3.2.16 will stand over to the Council meeting of 24.2.16. The Second Reading debate on the Bill will be
_	y (Public Cleanlines nendment) Bill 2015	s 6.1.16	8.1.16	24.2.16	resumed at the Council meeting of 24.2.16.
6. Property Mana	agement Services Bill	7.5.14	9.5.14 22.1.16	24.2.16	
Chinese Chris	ong Church of th stian and Missionar poration (Amendmen	<i>y</i>	6.6.14	24.2.16	Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 27.1.16.  As the unfinished business on the Agendas of the Council meetings of 27.1.16 and 3.2.16 will stand over to the Council meeting of 24.2.16. The Second Reading debate on the Bill will be resumed at the Council meeting of 24.2.16.

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List D: Subcommitt	ee on Members' Remun	eration and	Operating I	Expenses Reimbursement
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	Date of formation of	Date and	reporting to	
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	number of	House	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration	26.10.12	3	15.5.15	A meeting was held between the Subcommittee
and Operating Expenses Reimbursement		4.12.12		and the Independent Commission on
- Ms Amy YU	Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	7.6.13		Remuneration for Members of the Executive
PCS1		12.5.15		Council and the Legislature, and Officials under
Tel: 3919 3660				the Political Appointment System of the
				HKSAR on 24.7.15 to discuss the
				Subcommittee's Report on the Review of
				Members' Remuneration and Operating
				Expenses Reimbursement.

List E: Subcommittee 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								
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	meetings held	Committee	Remarks							
1. Subcommittee on Smoking (Public	18.12.15	3		Next meeting to be scheduled.							
Health) Ordinance (Amendment of		5.1.16									
Schedule 2) Order 2015	Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP	25.1.16									
- Ms Maisie LAM		(2 sessions)									
CCS(2)5		16.2.16									
Tel: 3919 3205											

## List F : Subcommittee on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments reporting to the House Committee on 26.2.16

	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 Amendments to	29.1.16	2	26.2.16	Reporting to the House Committee on 26.2.16.
Three Regulations under the Electoral		5.2.16		
Affairs Commission Ordinance	Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP	16.2.16		
- Ms Joanne MAK				
CCS(2)3				
Tel: 3919 3203				

List G: Subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action				
Name of Subcommittee Clerk  1. Subcommittee on Poverty - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 12.10.12  Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman)  Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)  37 (5.11.12)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee  To study relevant policies and measures to ease the disparity between the rich and the poor and alleviate poverty, follow up the work of the Government's Commission on Poverty and make timely recommendations.	Remarks  At the House Committee meeting on 8.1.16, Members agreed that the Subcommittee be given permission to extend the period of work for three months (i.e. until 30.4.16) to conclude its work.
2. Subcommittee to Follow up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport  - Miss Mary SO CCS(4)2 Tel: 3919 3419	15.5.15  Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Dennis KWOK (Deputy Chairman)	5 (16.10.15)	To study and follow up issues relating to three-runway system at Hong Kong International Airport, including the feasibility of the three-runway system, its scope and design details, financial arrangement, existing capacity of Hong Kong International Airport, environmental impacts, and related matters.	
3. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Mainland- HKSAR Families - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel: 3919 3204	23.1.15 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	4 (23.10.15)	To study issues relating to Mainland-HKSAR families and make recommendations where necessary.	

List H: Other subcommittee under House Committee in action					
	Date of formation of				
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	Number of meetings held			
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	(Date of first meeting)	Remarks		
1. Subcommittee to Examine the	12.10.12	11	_		
Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions		(31.10.12)			
of the United Nations Security Council in	Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan, JP				
relation to Sanctions					
- Mr Desmond LAM					
CCS(1)3					
Tel: 3919 3103					

List I : Subcommittees under Panels in action					
Name of Subcommittee Clerk  1. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Standard Working Hours under the Panel on Manpower - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel: 3919 3201	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 10.2.15  Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH (Chairman)  Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)  2 (13.1.16)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee  To study and follow up the policy on standard working hours and related issues, and to make recommendations where necessary.	Remarks —	
2. Joint Subcommittee to Study the Arrangement of Offsetting Severance Payments and Long Service Payments against Mandatory Provident Fund Accrued Benefits under the Panel on Financial Affairs and the Panel on Manpower  - Miss Betty MA  CCS(2)1  Tel: 3919 3201	2.3.15  Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon TANG Ka-piu, JP (Deputy Chairman)	2 (20.1.16)	To study and review the arrangement of offsetting severance payments and long service payments against Mandatory Provident Fund accrued benefits and other related policy issues, and to make recommendations where necessary.		
<ul> <li>3. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Future Development of Elderly Services Schemes under the Panel on Welfare Services</li> <li>Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4         <ul> <li>Tel: 3919 3204</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	8.6.15  Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Chairman)  Hon TANG Ka-piu, JP (Deputy Chairman)	2 (15.1.16)	To study relevant policies and measures relating to the future development of elderly services, follow up the work of the Elderly Commission's Elderly Services Programme Plan, discuss relevant policies with the Administration and make timely recommendations.		

Name of Subcommittee Clerk  4. Subcommittee on Redevelopment of Buildings Developed under the Civil Servants' Co- operative Building Society Scheme under the Panel on Development - Ms Sharon CHUNG CCS(1)2 Tel: 3919 3106	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 10.11.15 Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)  2 (15.1.16)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee  To study issues relating to redevelopment of buildings developed under the Civil Servants' Cooperative Building Society Scheme and, if appropriate, make recommendations on ways to facilitate the redevelopment of these buildings.	Remarks —
5. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Animal Welfare and Cruelty to Animals under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene - Miss Josephine SO CCS(2)2 Tel: 3919 3202	Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP (Chairman)  Hon Claudia MO (Deputy Chairman)	1 (16.2.16)	To study issues relating to animal welfare and cruelty to animals, including:  (a) exploring measures to better prevent and combat acts of animal cruelty, such as setting up of "animal police" teams specially tasked to investigate cases of animal cruelty and reviewing existing legislation on prevention of cruelty to animals;  (b) examining the Government's efforts in the promotion of responsible pet ownership;  (c) examining relevant measures currently in place that regulate the safety of pet food, and considering the need of introducing a regulatory regime for the production and quality control of pet food products; and  (d) reviewing the Government's efforts in tackling the problem of stray dogs and cats with a view to reducing their numbers in the community.  and to put forward recommendations where necessary.	

Name of Subcommittee Clerk  6. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport - Mr Anthony CHU CCS(4)1 Tel: 3919 3401	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)  25 (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  The Subcommittee reactivated its work on 3.2.16. The Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. by the end of 2015-2016 session.
7. 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	14 (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.	The Subcommittee reactivated its work on 3.2.16. The Subcommittee should complete its work within the remainder of the extension period originally sought, i.e. about three months.

List J: Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list				
Name of Subcommittee  1. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development	Date of appointment of Subcommittee  11.1.13 (Suspension of work awaiting reactivation with effect from 1.1.16)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee  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.	Committee meeting on 9.10.15, the Subcommittee has been placed on the waiting list for reactivation since 1.1.16 after expiry of the three-month extended period of work. A vacant slot is expected to arise on 1.5.16 to	
Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services	14.1.13 (Suspension of work awaiting reactivation with effect from 1.1.16)	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.	for reactivation since 1.1.16 after expiry of the	