

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**MINUTES**

**No. 17**

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**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 1 March 2017 at 11:00 am  
and Thursday 2 March 2017 at 9:00 am**

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**Attendance**

The attendance of Members, public officers and Clerks is in the Official Record of Proceedings.

**Tabling of Papers**

The following papers were laid on the table under Rule 21(2) of the Rules of Procedure:

<u>Subsidiary Legislation / Instruments</u>	<u>L.N. No.</u>
1. Rating (Exemption) Order 2017 (gazetted on 22.2.2017)	26/2017
2. Allowances to Jurors (Amendment) Order 2017 (gazetted on 24.2.2017)	27/2017
3. Control of Obscene and Indecent Articles (Amendment) Regulation 2017 (gazetted on 24.2.2017)	28/2017

Subsidiary Legislation / Instruments

L.N. No.

4. Copyright Tribunal Rules  
(gazetted on 24.2.2017) 29/2017

Other Papers

1. No. 71 - Estimates  
for the year ending 31 March 2018  
General Revenue Account  
- Consolidated Summary of Estimates  
- Revenue Analysis by Head  
(published on 23.2.2017)
2. No. 72 - The Lord Wilson Heritage Trust  
Annual Report 2015-2016  
(published on 24.2.2017)
3. Report No. 12/16-17 of the House Committee on Consideration of Subsidiary  
Legislation and Other Instruments  
(published on 27.2.2017)
4. Report of the Bills Committee on Fire Services (Amendment) Bill 2016  
(published on 24.2.2017)

**Questions**

Six oral questions as set out on the Agenda (i.e. Questions 1 to 6) were put by the Members and oral replies were given by the public officers.

Written replies to Questions 7 to 22 as set out on the Agenda were supplied to Members.

**Government Bills**

First Reading and Second Reading

- Cross-Boundary Movement of Physical Currency : Secretary for Security  
and Bearer Negotiable Instruments Bill

After the above Bill was read the first time and ordered to be set down for Second Reading under Rule 53(3) of the Rules of Procedure, the public officer moved the Second Reading of the Bill. The question on the Second Reading of the Bill was proposed and the debate was adjourned. The Bill was referred to the House Committee in accordance with Rule 54(4) of the Rules of Procedure.

Resumption of Second Reading debate, Committee stage and Third Reading

— Fire Services (Amendment) Bill 2016 : Secretary for Security

The debate on the Second Reading of the above Bill, which was moved on 30 November 2016, resumed. After Members and the public officer had spoken, the question on the Second Reading of the Bill was put and agreed to. The Bill was read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole Council.

The Council went into committee and considered the Bill. The provisions of the Bill and amendments thereto as set out on the Agenda were debated and voted in accordance with the debate and voting arrangements of the Bill and the relevant provisions of the Rules of Procedure. In considering the Bill, the following questions were put:

<u>Order of questions put</u>	<u>Decisions taken (details of division, if any)</u>
— Clauses 1 to 6 and 8 to 20 stand part of the Bill	Passed
— Amendment to clause 7 moved by the public officer	Passed
— Clause 7 as amended stand part of the Bill	Passed
— Second Reading of new clause 8A moved by the public officer	Passed
— Addition of new clause 8A to the Bill moved by the public officer	Passed

The Council then resumed. The public officer reported that the Bill had passed through the Committee stage with amendments. The Bill was ordered to be set down for Third Reading under Rule 59 of the Rules of Procedure. The question on the Third Reading of the Bill was proposed, put and agreed to. The Bill was read the third time and passed.

## **Government Motions**

### Proposed resolution under the Employees' Compensation Ordinance

The Secretary for Labour and Welfare moved the motion as set out on the Agenda. The question on the motion was proposed, put and agreed to.

### Proposed resolution under the Pneumoconiosis and Mesothelioma (Compensation) Ordinance

The Secretary for Labour and Welfare moved the motion as set out on the Agenda. The question on the motion was proposed. After a Member and the public officer had spoken, the question on the motion was put and agreed to.

### Proposed resolution under the Occupational Deafness (Compensation) Ordinance

The Secretary for Labour and Welfare moved the motion as set out on the Agenda. The question on the motion was proposed. After a Member and the public officer had spoken, the question on the motion was put and agreed to.

## **Members' Motions**

### Proposed resolution under section 34(4) of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance

Hon Wilson OR moved the motion as set out on the Agenda. The question on the motion was proposed, put and agreed to.

### Motion on "Actively studying the establishment of a middle class commission"

(During the debate on this motion, the meeting was suspended at 7:46 pm on 1 March and resumed at 9:00 am on 2 March 2017.)

Hon Tommy CHEUNG moved the motion as set out on the Agenda. The question on the motion was proposed. A joint debate on the motion and the amendments was held. After movers of the amendments, Members and the public officers had spoken, the following questions were put:

<u>Order of questions put</u>	<u>Decisions taken</u> <u>(details of division,</u> <u>if any)</u>
— Amendment moved by Hon Frankie YICK as set out on the Agenda	Passed
— Revised amendment moved by Hon HUI Chi-fung as set out in the Official Record of Proceedings	Negated <b>(Appendix 1)</b>
— Motion moved without notice by Hon Starry LEE to shorten the duration of the division bell for further divisions in respect of this motion and its amendments	Passed
— Revised amendment moved by Hon KWOK Wai-keung as set out in the Official Record of Proceedings	Passed
— Revised amendment moved by Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT as set out in the Official Record of Proceedings	Passed
— Revised amendment moved by Hon Michael TIEN as set out in the Official Record of Proceedings	Negated <b>(Appendix 2)</b>
— Hon Tommy CHEUNG's motion as amended	Passed <b>(Appendix 3)</b>

Motion on “Reviewing and reorganizing the Government structure”

Hon Kenneth LEUNG moved the motion as set out on the Agenda. The question on the motion was proposed. A joint debate on the motion and the amendments was held. After movers of the amendments, Members and the public officer had spoken, the following questions were put:

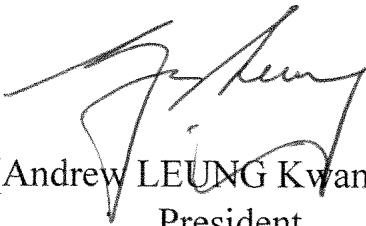
<u>Order of questions put</u>	<u>Decisions taken</u> <u>(details of division,</u> <u>if any)</u>
— Amendment moved by Hon YIU Si-wing as set out on the Agenda	Negated <b>(Appendix 4)</b>

<u>Order of questions put</u>	<u>Decisions taken (details of division, if any)</u>
— Motion moved without notice by Hon Starry LEE to shorten the duration of the division bell for further divisions in respect of this motion and its amendments	Passed
— Amendment moved by Dr Hon Helena WONG as set out on the Agenda	Negatived <b>(Appendix 5)</b>
— Amendment moved by Hon CHAN Hak-kan as set out on the Agenda	Negatived <b>(Appendix 6)</b>
— Amendment moved by Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok as set out on the Agenda	Negatived <b>(Appendix 7)</b>
— Hon Kenneth LEUNG's motion	Passed <b>(Appendix 8)</b>

### **Next meeting**

The President declared that the next Council meeting would be held on 22 March 2017 at 11:00 am.

The Council was adjourned at 1:25 pm on 2 March 2017.

  
(Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen)  
President  
Legislative Council

Chamber  
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18 May 2017