Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2017 Debate and voting arrangements

Object of the Bill: To make miscellaneous amendments to various Ordinances.

First debate : Clauses with no amendment - Clauses 2 to 143

Voting : To vote on the above clauses standing part of the Bill

Second debate : Clause with amendments - Clause 1

proposed by Secretary for

Justice ("SJ")

Joint debate on the original clause and the amendments.

Clause 1

Clause 1(4) of the Bill provides that Division 52 of Part 9 of the Bill (amendments to sections 12 and 13 of Part V of Schedule 2 to the Airport Authority Bylaw (Cap. 483 sub. leg. A)) is to come into operation on 15 December 2017. However, as the commencement date has passed¹ and Division 52 of Part 9 of the Bill is not intended to have retrospective effect, the Administration proposes amendments to amend Clause 1(2) and (4) of the Bill to the effect that Division 52 of Part 9 of the Bill will come into operation on the date on which the Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance 2018 is published in the Gazette.

Voting

: To vote on the above amendments, and then the original clause or the clause as amended standing part of the Bill

SJ's amendments

(set out in LC Paper No. <u>CB(3) 484/17-18</u> issued on 4 April 2018)

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The Bills Committee on Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2017 completed the scrutiny of the Bill on 11 July 2017 and submitted its report to the House Committee on 27 October in the same year. On 22 March 2018, SJ gave notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 11 April 2018. SJ then also gave notice to move amendments relating to the commencement date of Division 52 of Part 9 of the Bill at the above meeting.