

Committee on Rules of Procedure

List of issues studied during the period from October 2019 to July 2020

Item	Issue	Relevant rule(s)	Progress/remarks
1	Outcome of consultation on a proposal to prohibit the holding of directorship in a listed company by the President of the Legislative Council	Rule 83 of the Rules of Procedure	The outcome of the consultation showed that about two thirds of the respondents did not support the proposal. The Committee decided not to pursue the proposal further.
2	Proposed sanctions against grossly disorderly conduct of Members in Council or committee of the whole Council	Rules 42, 45 and 85 of the Rules of Procedure	The Committee has decided to invite the Committee of the next term of the Legislative Council to consider, with reference to the sanction mechanism in the House of Commons of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, whether (and if so, how) the Legislative Council should impose similar sanctions, having regard to any legal and practical difficulties that might arise in Hong Kong.
3	Procedural arrangements for the moving of a motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law or section 9 of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)	Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law Section 9 of Cap. 382 Rules 18 and 19 of the Rules of Procedure Rules 13 and 15 of the House Rules	The Committee has decided to invite the Committee of the next term of the Legislative Council to explore options to address the President's concern about the "queue-jumping effect" of the motions moved under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law or section 9 of Cap. 382, and to examine the cause(s) of the reduced opportunities for the moving of motions with no legislative effect.

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4	Issues relating to the election of committee chairmen	Appendix IV to the House Rules Rule 92 of the Rules of Procedure	The Committee has decided to refer the subject matter to the Committee of the next term of the Legislative Council for consideration.