

DISTRICT COUNCILS BILL

COMMITTEE STAGE

Amendments to be moved by Honorable Cyd HO Sau-lan

<u>Clause</u>	<u>Amendment Proposed</u>
24(5)	By deleting "6" and substituting "4" where it appears twice.
59(b)	(a) In the paragraph (ii), by deleting the full stop at the end and substituting "; and". (b) By adding --- "(c) To receive and handle complaints from Hong Kong residents."
New	By adding --- "70A. Audit (1) The Chairman of each Council shall within the period of 4 months, or such longer period as the Chief Executive may determine, after the close of each financial year, transmit to the Director of Audit- (a) the statement of the receipts and payments each Council for that financial year; (b) the statement of the assets and liabilities each Council on the last day of that financial year; and (c) such other statements as the Director of Accounting Services may specify from time to time. (2) The Director of Audit shall be entitled at any time to have access to all books of account, vouchers and other financial records each Council and to require such information and explanations thereon as he thinks fit. (3) On receipt of the statements referred to in subsection (1), the Director of Audit- (a) shall examine and audit the statements; and (b) shall within a period of 6 months after the close of the financial year, or such longer period as the Chief Executive may determine, prepare and submit to each Council a report in respect of his examination and audit of the statements together with- (i) a copy of the statement of assets and liabilities duly certified by him; and (ii) a copy of the statement of receipts and payments duly certified by him. (4) The Chairman of each Council shall send copies of the audited statements and of the report of the Director of Audit to the Chief Executive."