

**Subcommittee on Estate Agents Practice  
(General Duties and Hong Kong Residential Properties) Regulation and  
Estate Agents (Determination of Commission Disputes) Regulation**

**Concerns require follow-up actions by the Administration**

- To revise the form on vendor's statement taking into account members' views on requiring the vendor to provide property information on structural alternations, additions, repairs or improvements during his occupation of the property, and providing an additional choice for the vendor to disclaim that information on such matters prior to his ownership of the property is not known to him;
- To revise the Chinese text of the forms to make them more user-friendly;
- To consider requiring the licensed estate agent or salesperson to help ascertain the identity of the vendor and his authorization to sell the property, in particular for the property owned under the name of a company;
- To consider specifying "any other person" in sections 10(1) and (2) of the Estate Agents (Determination of Commission Disputes) Regulation to avoid the parties concerned to engage a barrister or solicitor to conduct determination proceedings on behalf of any party; and
- To consider appointing elected representatives of the trade as members of the Estate Agents Authority.

Legislative Council Secretariat

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