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BROADCASTING BILL

COMMITTEE STAGE

Amendments to be moved by the Secretary for Information

Technology and Broadcasting

<u>Clause</u>	Amendment Proposed				
1(2)	By deleting the clause and substituting -				
	"(2) Subject to <u>subsection (3)</u> , this Ordinance shall come				
	into operation on the day it is published in the Gazette.				
	(3) <u>Sections 13, 14, 15 and 16</u> shall come into operation				
	on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Information				
	Technology and Broadcasting by notice in the Gazette.".				
2	(a) In <u>subclause (1)</u> -				
	(i) by deleting the definition of "domestic household" (
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	(ii) in the definition of "other				

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licensable television programme service" ( ),
by deleting <u>paragraph (b)</u> and substituting -
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"(b) either -

(i) subject to subsection (11A), by

an audience of not more than

5000 specified premises; or

(ii) in hotel rooms;";

[(iii) in the definition of "Telecommunications Authority"

(), by deleting "[]" and substituting"[]".]

(b) In subclause (11) -

 (i) in <u>paragraph (a)</u>, by adding "under this Ordinance" after "decision";

(ii) by deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -

"(b) when forming an opinion or making a determination, direction or decision under this Ordinance, provide reasons in writing for it.". (c) By adding -

"(11A) The Broadcasting Authority may, by notice in writing served on the licensee, or the person seeking to be a licensee, concerned, waive the requirement specified in <u>paragraph (b)(i)</u> of the definition of "other licensable television programme service" if the Broadcasting Authority is satisfied that the other licensable television programme service concerned is only intended or available for reception by a single housing estate.".

(a) By renumbering it as <u>clause 4(1)</u>.

(b) By adding -

"(2) Without prejudice to the generality of <u>subsection (1)</u>, the Broadcasting Authority shall, as soon as is practicable, issue guidelines indicating the manner in which it proposes to -

(a) perform its function under section 9(2),
 including the licensing criteria and other
 relevant matters it

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proposes to consider;

- (b) perform its function under <u>section 10(2)</u>, including the licensing criteria and other relevant matters it proposes to consider;
- (c) perform its function in forming an opinion under <u>section 13 or 14;</u>
- (d) perform its function under <u>section 17(2)</u>,including the criteria it proposes to consider.
- (3) The Broadcasting Authority shall, before issuing guidelines under <u>subsection (2)(c)</u>, carry out such consultation with such bodies representative of licensees who may be affected by the guidelines as is reasonable in all the circumstances of the case.".
- (a) In <u>subclause (1)</u>, by adding "export," after "import,".
- (b) In <u>subclause (3)</u>, by adding "exported," after "imported,".
- (c) In <u>subclause (4)</u>, by adding "exports," after

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"imports,".

By adding -

"(3) Where an application is submitted to the Broadcasting Authority, it shall -

- (a) cause a notice to be published in the Gazette as soon as is practicable -
 - (i) stating the name of the applicant and the type of licence sought by the applicant together with such other particulars as the Broadcasting Authority thinks fit; and
 - (ii) stating that members of the public
 who are interested may make
 representations on the application to
 the Broadcasting Authority by a date
 specified in the notice, being a date

not less than 21 days after the notice

is published; and

(b) consider the representations, if any, received by the date.".

10(4), (5), By deleting the clause and substituting -

(6) and (7)
"(4) The Chief Executive in Council or the Broadcasting Authority, as the case may require, may, where he or it considers it is the public interest to do so, vary a licence at any time during its period of validity after the licensee has been given a reasonable opportunity to make representations under <u>subsection (5)</u>.

(5) A licensee may make representations to the Broadcasting Authority in relation to any proposed variation under <u>subsection (4)</u> and, in the case of a licence granted by the Chief Executive in Council, the Broadcasting Authority shall fairly reflect the representations to the Chief Executive in Council.

(6) The Chief Executive in Council or the Broadcasting Authority, as the case may require, shall take into account the representations, if any, made under <u>subsection</u> (5) before implementing any proposed variation under subsection (4).".

11 (a) By adding -

"(3A) Where <u>subsection (3)</u> applies to a domestic free television programme service licence, or a domestic pay television programme service licence, which may be extended or renewed for a period of 6 years or more, the Broadcasting Authority shall conduct a public hearing in accordance with procedures for the hearing determined by the Broadcasting Authority.".

- (b) In <u>subclause (4)</u>, by adding "as soon as is practicable" after "them and".
- (c) In <u>subclause (5)</u>, by adding ", at a time reasonable in all the circumstances before the expiry of the licence" after "shall".
- (a) In subclause (4), by deleting "Where" and substituting"Subject to <u>subsection (4A)</u>, where".
 - (b) By adding -

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"(4A) The Broadcasting Authority shall, before making a determination under subsection (4) -

- (a) give the licensee concerned a reasonable
 opportunity to make representations to the
 Broadcasting Authority in relation to
 whether or not the television programme
 service concerned -
 - (i) primarily targets Hong Kong; or
 - (ii) does not primarily target HongKong; and
- (b) take into account the representations, if any, made.

(4B)In determining whether or not a television programme service primarily targets Hong Kong, account shall be taken of, but not limited to, the following matters -

- (a) whether the service covers Hong Kong;
- (b) whether the sources of advertising and subscription revenues,

where applicable, of the service are derived principally from Hong Kong;

- (c) the language of the service and the nature and size of the audiences targeted by the service; and
- (d) whether the service is actively marketed inHong Kong by the licensee or by a third party on its behalf.".
- (a) In <u>subclause (1)</u>, by adding ", distorting" after "preventing".
 - (b) By deleting subclauses (5) and (6) and substituting -

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"(5) <u>Subsection (1)</u> shall not apply to -

(a) any restriction imposed on the inclusion in
 a television programme service of a
 television programme produced wholly or
 substantially by the licensee of the service;

or

(b) any prescribed restriction.

(6) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that nothing in this section shall prejudice the existence of any rights arising from the operation of the law relating to copyright or trademarks.".

14(4) By adding ", distorting" after "preventing".

New By adding -

"14A.Provisions supplementary to sections 13 and 14

(1) The conduct of an associate of a licensee, or the position of the associate in a television programme service market, may be considered for the purposes of section 13 or 14.

(2) A person sustaining loss or damage from a breach of <u>section 13(1) or 14(1)</u>, or a breach of a licence condition, determination or direction relating to that section, may bring an action for damages, an injunction or other appropriate remedy, order or relief against the licensee who is in breach.

(3) No action may be brought under

subsection (2) more than 3 years after -

- (a) the commission of the breach concerned referred to in that subsection; or
- (b) the imposition under <u>section 27</u> of a penalty in relation to the breach,

whichever is the later.

(4) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that a breach of <u>section 13(1) or 14(1)</u> occurs when the Broadcasting Authority forms the opinion referred to in <u>section 13(1) or 14(4)</u> respectively.".

16(2) (c)	By deleting	"practices"	and substituting	"principles".

18 By adding "educational" after "any".

- 20 (a) In subclause (2) -
 - (i) by deleting "A" and substituting "Subject to subsection (2A), a";
 - (ii) by deleting "at all reasonable times when directed in writing to do so by the Broadcasting Authority" and substituting "on or before the 1st of April of each year".

(b) By adding -

"(2A) <u>Subsection (2)</u> shall not apply to a licensee which has been a licensee for less than 4 months.".

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"(3) The Broadcasting Authority shall cause directions under <u>subsection (1)</u> to be published in the Gazette or in such other manner as it thinks fit.".

- (a) In <u>subclause (1)</u>, by deleting "this Ordinance, the Broadcasting Authority Ordinance (Cap. 391) or any other Ordinance" and substituting "a prescribed Ordinance in order to ensure a licensee's compliance with a licence condition, a requirement under the Ordinance which is applicable to it, a direction, order, or determination, under the Ordinance which is applicable to it, or a provision of a Code of Practice which is applicable to it".
 - (b) In <u>subclause (3) (a)</u>, by adding "as referred to in <u>subsection</u> (<u>1</u>)" after "Authority".
 - (c) By adding -

"(11) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that the provisions of Part XII of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) apply to this section.".

By deleting the clause and substituting -

"25. Broadcasting Authority may obtain information

(1) If the Broadcasting Authority is satisfied that there are reasonable grounds for believing that a person, other than a licensee, is, or is likely to be, in possession of information or a document that is relevant to the Broadcasting Authority's investigation of a breach or suspected breach of a requirement of this Ordinance, a licence condition, or a director, order, or determination, under this Ordinance, the Broadcasting Authority may serve a notice in writing on the person -

- (a) requesting the person to -
 - (i) give the information or document in writing to the Broadcasting Authority;or
 - (ii) produce the document to the Broadcasting Authority,

as the case requires, before a

date ("the relevant date") specified in the notice, being a date reasonable in all the circumstances of the case;

- (b) stating that if the person is of the view that he cannot, or does not wish to, comply with the request, then he may make representations in writing to the Broadcasting Authority as to why he is of that view before the relevant date; and
- (c) accompanied by a copy of this section in the Chinese and English languages.

(2) Where the Broadcasting Authority receives representations referred to in <u>subsection (1) (b)</u> from a person, the Broadcasting Authority shall -

- (a) consider them; and
- (b) serve a notice in writing on the person stating that the Authority has considered the representations and that -
 - (i) the notice under <u>subsection (1)</u> served on the person is

withdrawn with effect from the date of service of the notice under this subsection; or

(ii) the notice under <u>subsection (1)</u> served on the person remains in force and the Broadcasting Authority will on a date specified in the notice under this subsection seek an order under <u>subsection (3)</u> unless the person has, before the date, complied with the notice under <u>subsection (1)</u> served on the person.

(3) Where a notice under <u>subsection (1)</u> served on a person has not been withdrawn under <u>subsection (2) (b) (i)</u> and the person has not complied with the notice before the relevant date, or before the date specified in

the notice under <u>subsection (2)</u> served on the person, as the case requires, then a magistrate may -

- (a) if satisfied by information on oath that there are reasonable grounds for believing that the person is, or is likely to be, in possession of the information or document to which the firstmentioned notice relates and that the information or document is relevant to the Broadcasting Authority's investigation of a breach or suspected breach of a requirement of this Ordinance, a licence condition, or a direction, order, or determination, under this Ordinance; and
- (b) after considering the representations, if any,
 referred to in <u>subsection (1) (b)</u> received by the
 Broadcasting Authority in consequence of the
 service of the notice,

issue an order that the person shall, within

the time specified in the order, give the information or document in writing to the Broadcasting Authority or produce the document to the Broadcasting Authority, as the case requires.

(4) Any information or document to be given or produced to the Broadcasting Authority by a person in compliance with a notice under <u>subsection (1)</u> or an order under <u>subsection (3)</u> shall be so given or produced by reference to the information or document at the time of service of that notice except that the information or document may take account of any processing -

- (a) made between that time and the time when the information or document is so given or produced; and
- (b) that would have been made irrespective of the service of that notice.

(5) The Broadcasting Authority shall not disclose any information or document given or produced to him under this section except subject to the requirement in <u>subsection (6)</u> and if the Broadcasting Authority considers that it is in the public interest to disclose that information or document, as the case may be.

(6) The Broadcasting Authority shall give a person giving or producing any information or document under this section a reasonable opportunity to make representations on a proposed disclosure of the information or document, as the case may be, and shall consider all representations made before the Broadcasting Authority makes a final decision to disclose the information or document, as the case may be.

(7) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that where a person gives or produces any information or document under this section notwithstanding that the information or document is the subject of a confidentiality agreement with another person that prevents the firstmentioned person from releasing the information or document, the first-mentioned person shall not be liable for any civil liability or claim whatever in respect of the giving or production of that information or document contrary to that agreement.

(8) Nothing in this section shall require a person to give any information or

document, or to produce any document, which the person could not be compelled to give in evidence, or produce, in civil proceedings before the Court of First Instance.

(9) A person commits an offence if he, without reasonable excuse -

- (a) fails to comply with an order under <u>subsection</u>
 (3);
- (b) fails to comply with <u>subsection (4)</u>; or
- (c) in purported compliance with a notice under subsection (1) or an order under subsection (3), knowingly gives information that is false or misleading,

and shall be liable on conviction to a fine at level 5 and to imprisonment for 2 years.

(10) In this section, "processing" (), in relation to any information or document, includes amending, augmenting, deleting or rearranging all or any part of the information or document, whether by automated means or otherwise.

(11) It is hereby declared that nothing in this section operates to prevent a magistrate declining to issue an order under <u>subsection (3)</u> until a person who has made representations, if any, referred to in <u>subsection (1) (b)</u> has been given an opportunity to be heard before the magistrate as to whether or not the order should be issued.".

26(3) By deleting the clause and substituting -

"(3) The Broadcasting Authority shall give the person supplying the information in confidence a reasonable opportunity to make representations on a proposed disclosure of the information under <u>subsection (2) (c) or (d)</u> before the Broadcasting Authority makes a final decision to disclose the information.".

By adding -

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"(3A) Where the Broadcasting Authority considers that if it were to impose a financial penalty under <u>subsection (3)</u> it would not be adequate for a breach of <u>section 13(1) and 14(1)</u>

(a) the Broadcasting Authority may -

- (i) within 3 years of the commission of the breach; or
- (ii) if the breach comes

to the notice of the Broadcasting Authority within 3 years of its commission, within 3 years of it so coming to the notice of the Broadcasting Authority,

whichever is the later, make an application to the Court of First Instance; and

(b) upon such application, the Court of First Instance may, without prejudice to any powers conferred on the Broadcasting Authority by any provision of this Ordinance or any regulation made thereunder or any licence condition, impose upon the licensee who has committed the breach a financial penalty of a sum not exceeding 10% of the turnover of the licensee in the relevant television programme service market in the period of the breach, or \$2,000,000, whichever is the higher, and also specify when any such financial penalty is due for payment.

(3B) The Broadcasting Authority shall not impose a financial penalty under this section unless, in all the circumstances of the case, the financial penalty is proportionate and reasonable in relation to the failure or series of failures concerned giving rise to that penalty.".

29(1) By adding "(including within such period and within such time of day)" after "manner".

30 (a) In <u>subclause (2)</u> -

(i) by deleting paragraph (a) (ii) and substituting -

"(ii) any financial penalty when it is due for payment -

(A) as specified by the Court of First Instance under section 27 (3A) (b); or

- (B) under <u>section 28(4)</u>; or";
- (ii) in <u>paragraph (b) (ii)</u>, by deleting ", or has been facilitated by a neglect of,".
- (b) In subclause (3) -
 - (i) in <u>paragraph (a) (i)</u>, by deleting "; and" and substituting ";";
 - (ii) in <u>paragraph (b)</u>, by deleting "suspension." and substituting "suspension; and";
 - (iii) by adding -
 - "(c) in the case of a domestic free television programme service or a domestic pay television programme service where <u>subsection (2) (b)</u> is applicable, conduct a public hearing in accordance with procedures for the hearing determined by the Broadcasting Authority.".

31(4) By deleting the clause and substituting -"(4) After section 32 has been complied with but subject

to subsection (4A), the Chief

Executive in Council or the Broadcasting Authority, as the case may require, may, by notice in writing served on the licensee, revoke a licence -

- (a) for failure by the licensee to pay -
 - (i) any licence fee, or any other fee or charge owing by the licensee under this Ordinance, within 60 days beginning on the date the payment is due; or
 - (ii) any financial penalty within 60 daysbeginning on the date the payment isdue -
 - (A) as specified by the Court of First

Instance under section 27(3A)

<u>(b);</u> or

- (B) under section 28(4);
- (b) if the licensee -
 - (i) goes into compulsory

liquidation or into voluntary liquidation other than for the purposes of amalgamation or reconstruction; or

(ii) enters into a composition or arrangement with its creditors; or

(c) if, as may be applicable in the particular case, having regard to all the circumstances, including the number of occasions and the gravity in respect of which, after the issue of the licence -

- (i) the licensee has contravened -
 - (A) a licence condition;
 - (B) a requirement under thisOrdinance which is applicable to it;

(C) a direction,

order, or determination, under

- this Ordinance which is applicable to it; or
- (D) a provision of a Code of Practicewhich is applicable to it,and the licensee has failed to comply

with a direction under section 23(1)relating to that contravention;

(ii) another person has contravened a condition, requirement, direction, order, determination or provision mentioned in <u>subparagraph (i)</u> and such contravention has taken place with the

consent or connivance of the licensee.

(4A) The Chief Executive in Council or the Broadcasting Authority shall not exercise a power under <u>subsection (4)</u> until after considering -

- (a) in the case of the Chief Executive in Council,the recommendations of the BroadcastingAuthority; and
- (b) in the case of both the Chief Executive in Council and the Broadcasting Authority, such information, matter and advice as he or it thinks fit.".

35 By adding -

"(5A) Where <u>subsection (3)</u> applies to an application under <u>subsection (2)</u>, the Court of First Instance shall not make an interim order under <u>subsection (4) or (5)</u> unless it is satisfied that it is a case of urgency.".

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41 (a) In subclause (1) -
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(i) in <u>paragraph (a)</u>, by adding ", additional to those specified elsewhere in this Ordinance," after

"requirements";

- (ii) in <u>paragraph (b)</u>, by adding "on the grounds specified in the regulation" after "case".
- (b) By deleting subclause (2) and substituting -

"(2) Subject to <u>subsection (2A)</u>, regulations under <u>subsection (1)</u> shall be subject to the approval of the Legislative Council.

(2A) Subject to <u>subsection (2B)</u>, <u>subsection (2)</u> shall not apply to regulations under <u>subsection (1) (f)</u> or regulations under <u>subsection (1) (g)</u> to the extent that they relate to <u>subsection (1) (f)</u>.

(2B) <u>Subsection (2A)</u> shall not apply to regulations relating to <u>section 13(4) (b) or (5) (b)</u>.".

42(1) By adding "<u>or 3</u>" after "<u>Schedule 1</u>".

- Schedule 1 (a) In the heading immediately before <u>Part 1</u>, by adding "DOMESTIC FREE OR PAY TELEVISION PROGRAMME SERVICE" after "HOLDING".
 - (b) In <u>Part 2</u>, in the heading, by adding "DOMESTIC FREE OR PAY TELEVISION PROGRAMME SERVICE" after "HOLDING".

(c) In section 3, by adding -

"(3) In considering the public interest for the purposes of <u>subsection (2)</u>, account shall be taken of, but not limited to, the following matters -

- (a) the effect on competition in the relevant service market;
- (b) the extent to which viewers will be offered more diversified television programme choices;
- (c) the impact on the development of the broadcasting industry; and
- (d) the overall benefits to the economy.".
- (d) In section 7(a), by deleting "local newspaper within the meaning of the Registration of Local Newspapers Ordinance (Cap. 268)" and substituting "newspaper printed or produced in Hong Kong".
- (e) In <u>section 15(6)</u>, by deleting <u>paragraph (c)</u>.
- (f) In <u>Part 3</u>, in the heading, by adding "(NOT APPLICABLE IN RELATION TO DOMESTIC PAY TELEVISION PROGRAMME SERVICE LICENCES)" after

"CONTROLLERS".

- (g) In <u>section 29</u> -
 - (i) by deleting subsection (5) and substituting -

"(5) Subject to <u>subsection (6)</u>, any information which is furnished by a person in confidence under this Part shall be treated as confidential.";

- (ii) by deleting <u>subsection (6) (c)</u>.
- (h) In <u>Part 4</u>, in the heading, by adding "DOMESTIC FREE OR PAY TELEVISION SERVICE PROGRAMME" after "RESTRICTION ON".
- (i) By deleting section 33 and substituting -

"33. Restrictions on licensees exercising control on disqualified person without Chief Executive in Council's approval

(1) A licensee shall not exercise control on a disqualified person -

 (a) unless the Chief Executive in Council, on application in the specified form by a licensee, is satisfied that the public interest so requires and approves

otherwise; and

(b) except in accordance with such conditions as are specified in the approval.

(2) In considering public interest for the purposes

of <u>subsection (2)</u>, account shall be taken of, but not limited to, the following matters -

- (a) the effect on competition in the relevant service market;
- (b) the extent to which viewers will be offered more diversified television programme choices;
- (c) the impact on the development of the broadcasting industry; and
- (d) the overall benefits to the economy.".

		"10. Minimum duration of television programme service
	(b)	By deleting section 10 and substituting -
		Authority" after "Government".
Schedule 4	(a)	In section 3(1) (a), (b) and (c), by adding "or the Broadcasting

The duration of each language television programme service provided under a deemed licence, within the meaning of <u>Schedule 8</u> to this Ordinance, falling within <u>section 2(1)</u> of that Schedule shall be not less than 5 hours for each day.".

- (c) In section 11(2), by adding ", or would have adversely affected," after "affect".
- (d) By deleting section 13 and substituting -

"13. Annual payment of fees

Subject to <u>section 5</u> of <u>Schedule 8</u> to this Ordinance, a licensee shall pay annually to the Director of Accounting Services a prescribed licence fee and such other fees as may be prescribed.".

Schedule 5 In	section 1, by adding	۰۰,	10"	after	"3"
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- Schedule 7In section 1, by deleting ", without the prior approval in writing of
the Chief Executive in Council,".
- Schedule 8(a) By deleting section 5 and substituting -

"5. Payment of annual fees

(1) In the case of a deemed licence

falling within section 2(1), (2) or (3) -

- (a) the Financial Secretary may, by notice in writing served on the licensee, specify the fee to be paid to the Government by the licensee -
 - (i) for the year commencing on the relevant day; and
 - (ii) not later than 30 days after the relevant day; and
- (b) <u>section 13</u> of <u>Schedule 4</u> to this Ordinance shall not apply to the licensee until the expiration of that year.
- (2) In the case of a deemed licence falling within

<u>section 2(4)</u> -

(a) the licensee shall continue to comply withthe provisions of the licence relating to alicence fee until -

- (i) the expiration of the licence; or
- (ii) the surrender of the licence for another licence,

whichever is the earlier; and

- (b) <u>section 13</u> of <u>Schedule 4</u> to this Ordinance shall not apply to the licensee until the occurrence of the event mentioned in <u>paragraph (a) (i) or (ii)</u>.
- (3) In the case of a deemed licence falling within

section 2(5) -

- (a) the licensee shall continue to comply withthe provisions of the licence relating to alicence fee until -
 - (i) the expiration of the licence; or
 - (ii) the surrender of the licence for another licence,

whichever is the earlier; and

- (b) <u>section 13</u> of <u>Schedule 4</u> to this Ordinance shall not apply to the licensee until -
 - (i) the occurrence of the event mentioned in paragraph (a) (i) or (ii); and
 - (ii) the licence held by the licenseedoes not specify a licence fee tobe paid by the licensee to theGovernment.

(4) A notice under <u>subsection (1) (a)</u> served on a licensee shall be deemed to be a condition specified in the deemed license held by the licensee requiring the licensee to pay to the Government the fee specified in the notice.

- (5) Where -
 - (a) a licensee has before the relevant day paid
 - an

annual fee for a deemed licence falling within section 2(1), (2) or (3);

- (b) the period for which that fee has been paid would, but for the commencement of <u>section 43(1)</u> of this Ordinance, expire on or after the relevant day; and
- (c) the licensee has paid the fee required by subsection (1) (a),

then the Financial Secretary shall remit to the licensee so much of the annual fee referred to in <u>paragraph (c)</u> as is equivalent to so much of the fee referred to in <u>paragraph</u> (a) which, on a pro rata basis, relates to so much of the period referred to in <u>paragraph (b)</u> which would, but for the commencement of <u>section 43(1)</u> of this Ordinance, run on and after the relevant day.".

(b) In section 8 -

- (a) by renumbering it as <u>section 8(1)</u>;
- (b) by adding -

"(2) It is hereby declared that a royalty within the meaning of the repealed Ordinance payable by a licensee (or former licensee) within the meaning of that Ordinance is payable on a pro rata basis in respect of that portion of the licensee's (or former licensee's) accounting year which has effluxed before the relevant day, and <u>subsection (1)</u> shall apply accordingly.".

(c) By adding -

"10. Certain Codes of Practice applicable for interim period for licensees that are holders of deemed licence

Where -

- (a) a Code of Practice ("old Code") within the meaning of section 2 of the repealed Ordinance was in force immediately before the relevant day; and
- (b) a licensee who is the holder of a deemed licence was required to comply

with the old Code immediately before the relevant day,

then -

- (i) the old Code shall, in relation to the licensee, be deemed to be a Code of Practice within the meaning of section 2 of this Ordinance until the date on which a Code of Practice approved under section 3 of this Ordinance, and expressed to be in substitution for the old Code, comes into effect; and
- (ii) subject to <u>paragraph (iii)</u>, the licensee shallcomply with the old Code until that date;and
- (iii) the old Code shall be read and have effectwith such modifications as are necessary totake into account the provisions of thisOrdinance,

and the provisions of this Ordinance (including <u>sections</u> 22(2) (d), 23, 27(2) (d), 29(2) (d), 30(2) (b) (i) (D) and <u>31(4) (c) (i) (D)</u> of this Ordinance) shall be construed accordingly.".

(a) By adding immediately before section 6 -

Schedule 9

"5A.Schedule 1

Schedule 1 to the Telecommunications Regulations (Cap. 106 sub. leg.) is amended, in Part II, by repealing "HOTEL TELEVISION SERVICES LICENCE" and substituting "HOTEL TELEVISION (TRANSMISSION) LICENCE".".

- (b) In section 6 -
 - (i) by deleting "of the Telecommunications Regulations (Cap. 106 sub. leg.)";
 - (ii) by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting -
 - "(a) by repealing "HOTEL TELEVISION SERVICES LICENCE" and substituting "HOTEL TELEVISION (TRANSMISSION) LICENCE";";

- (iii) in paragraph (b) -
 - (A) by adding "a service, licence

or licensee under" after "form to";

- (B) by adding "a service, licence or licensee under" after "reference to".
- (c) In <u>section 14</u>, in the <u>proposed section 9(1) (d)</u>, by adding "including, without limitation, restrictions on the time of day when programmes and advertisements may be provided, whether for the same or different licensees or broadcasts" after "broadcasts".
- (d) By deleting section 19 and substituting -

"19. Authority may impose financial penalties

Section 24 is amended -

(a) in subsection (3) -

- (i) in paragraph (a), by repealing"\$20,000" and substituting"\$80,000";
- (ii) in paragraph (b), by repealing"\$50,000" and substituting"\$200,000";
- (iii) in paragraph (c),

by repealing "\$100,000" and substituting "\$400,000";

(b) by adding -

"(3A) The Authority shall not impose a financial penalty under this section unless, in all the circumstances of the case, the financial penalty is proportionate and reasonable in relation to the failure or series at failures concerned giving rise to that penalty.".

(e) In <u>section 20</u>, in the <u>proposed section 25A</u>, by adding "(including within such period and within such time of day)" after "manner".