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Introduction of Government Bills

We have just completed a review of the progress we have made in the introduction of government bills into LegCo in the current legislative session.

As at 1 March, we have introduced a total of 41 bills, a list of which is at the Annex for Members' easy reference. We expect to introduce another two to three pieces of legislation at the LegCo meeting on 15 March. To enable Members to have sufficient time to scrutinize the bills already introduced, we do not intend to introduce any more bills after 15 March, unless it is absolutely essential and urgent. For any exceptional items of this nature, we shall consult the relevant Panels as far as possible prior to introduction.

We appreciate the hard work and contributions made by Members in the scrutiny of government bills. Legislative work for Members in the few months ahead will continue to be heavy and we look to Members for continued co-operation. Please rest assured that we would continue to work closely with Members to facilitate their scrutiny of the bills.

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Director of Administration

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**Government bills introduced in the
1999/2000 Legislative Session**

Bills	<u>Status</u>
1. Legal Aid (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
2. District Court (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
3. Industrial Training (Construction Industry) (Amendment) Bill 1999	Passed
4. Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 1999	Passed
5. Mass Transit Railway Bill	Passed
6. Protection of the Harbour (Amendment) Bill 1999	Passed
7. Rehabilitation Centres Bill	Introduced
8. Exchanges and Clearing Houses (Merger) Bill	Passed
9. Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
10. Industrial Training (Clothing Industry) (Amendment) Bill 1999	Passed
11. Dangerous Goods (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
12. Merchant Shipping (Safety) (Amendment) Bill 1999	Passed
13. Consular Relations Bill	Passed
14. Road Traffic Legislation (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
15. Drug Trafficking and Organized Crimes (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
16. Education (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
17. Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
18. Securities (Amendment) Bill 1999	Introduced
19. Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 1999	Passed

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20.	Companies (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
21.	Medical and Health Care (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2000	Introduced
22.	Intellectual Property (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2000	Introduced
23.	Insurance Companies (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
24.	Building Management (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
25.	Mental Health (Amendment) Bill 2000	Passed
26.	Dumping at Sea (Amendment) Bill 2000	Passed
27.	Legislative Council (Amendment) Ordinance 1999 (Amendment) Bill 2000	Passed
28.	Town Planning Bill	Introduced
29.	Urban Renewal Authority Bill	Introduced
30.	Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
31.	Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
32.	Employees' Compensation (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
33.	Broadcasting Bill	Introduced
34.	Family Status Discrimination (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
35.	Noise Control (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
36.	Security and Guarding Services (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
37.	Employment (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced
38.	Entertainment Special Effects Bill	Introduced
39.	Drug Dependent Persons Treatment and Rehabilitation Centres (Licensing) Bill	Introduced
40.	Road Traffic Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2000	Introduced

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41. Employees' Compensation (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2000	Introduced