A BILL

To

Provide for the ban on homework for lower primary levels to ensure that lower primary students are not required to finish assignments after school.

Enacted by the Legislative Council.

1. Short title and commencement

- (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Homework Ordinance.
- (2) This Ordinance comes into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Education by notice published in the Gazette.

2. Interpretation

In this Ordinance—

lower primary levels (初小年級) means Primary One to Three;

assignment (功課) means a piece of work that a student is instructed by the teacher to finish by any means within a limited time, including an exercise, a worksheet, reading, essay writing, copying, reciting, research, briefing, a project study, a science experiment, model building, painting and handiwork;

homework (家課) means an assignment that a student finishes after school.

3. Period of time within which assignments for lower primary levels shall be finished

A period of time shall be allocated within school hours for lower primary students to finish their assignments. Lower primary students shall no longer be given any homework.

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Explanatory Memorandum

The main purpose of this Bill is to provide for the ban on homework for lower primary levels to ensure that lower primary students are not required to finish assignments after school.

- 2. Clause 1 sets out the short title and provides for commencement.
- 3. Clause 2 defines the expressions used in the Bill.
- 4. Clause 3 prescribes the period of time within which assignments for lower primary levels shall be finished.