

Note No. 2**Note for Legislative Council****Bills Committee on Hong Kong Tourist Association (Amendment) Bill 2001****Proposed Amendments to be Moved by Secretary for Economic Services**
(as at 14 February 2001)

Taking into account comments made by Members and the advice of the Assistant Legal Adviser of the LegCo Secretariat, we propose to move the following amendments by way of Committee Stage Amendments -

Clause	Subject	Proposed Amendment	Reason
4(e)	Interpretation "licensed travel agent"	- To amend the definition of "licensed travel agents" as follows - "licensed travel agent" means a natural person who is engaged in the business of a travel agent licensed under section 11 of the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218), and "travel agent" has the same meaning as in that Ordinance.	The item "licensed travel agents" is intended to include the controller, director or officer of a corporate that is a travel agent as well as a natural person who is himself/herself a travel agent. We propose to modify the existing definition in the Bill to avoid ambiguity.
7	Seal of Board of authentication of the seal, and instruments executed under the seal	To replace "接納" in the Chinese text with "收取" in the new section 5(2).	To ensure consistency with the existing HKTA Ordinance (Cap. 302).
9	General powers of Board	To delete ",execute" in the new section 7(j).	Since "enter into" in the new section 7(j) is wide enough to cover

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			"execute", the latter could be deleted to address the concern that "義務" cannot be "簽立".
11	Constitution and membership of Board	<p>To amend the Chinese text of the new section 9(8) as follows -</p> <p>"如主席的職位因主席根據第 10 條辭職或遭免任，或因其他理由而懸空，則副主席須在新主席尚待委任期間署理主席的職位。"</p>	To better reflect the meaning of the English text.
New	Schedule	To amend the section number within the square brackets in the Schedule to "s.26".	To tidy up an inaccurate cross-reference.

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