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COMMITTEE STAGE

Amendments to be moved by the Secretary for Financial Services

Clause

Amendment Proposed

- 2(a)
- (a) In subparagraph (ii), in the proposed definition
 of "company", in paragraph (b)(i), by deleting
 ""oversea company",".
- (b) By deleting subparagraph (iv).
- (c) In subparagraph (v), in the proposed definition of
 "mandatory contribution"
 - i) in paragraph (a), by deleting "paid or payable" and substituting "required to be paid";
 - (ii) in paragraph (b), by deleting "section
 5(1)(b)" and substituting "section 5(1)".
- (d) By deleting subparagraph (vii).
- (e) In subparagraph (x) -
 - (i) by adding -

""conditions" () means

reasonable conditions;";

- (ii) by deleting the definitions of "offering
 document" and "participation agreement".
- 2(b) By deleting the proposed section 2(3) and (4) and substituting -
 - "(3) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that an amount that is paid as a contribution to a registered scheme contingently on the basis that the amount will later constitute a mandatory contribution to the scheme shall for all purposes be treated as a mandatory contribution to the scheme (and the provisions of this Ordinance shall apply accordingly) unless and until it is certain that the amount will not constitute a mandatory contribution to the scheme.".

New By adding -

"2A. Exemptions

Section 4(3) is amended by adding "and section 11(1) and (2)" after "subsections (4) and (5)".".

7(a) By deleting "subject to" and substituting "in accordance with"

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- (a) In paragraph (a) -
 - (i) in the proposed section 11(1), by adding "or is exempted under section 4(3)" after -
 - (A) "retirement age"; and
 - (B) "that age";
 - (ii) in the proposed section 11(2), by adding
 "or is exempted under section 4(3)"
 after "retirement age".
- (b) In paragraph (b), in the proposed section 11(7)(b),
 by deleting "section 5(1)(b)" and substituting
 "section 5(1)".
- 9 In the proposed section 20(12) -
 - (a) in paragraph (b)(i), by deleting "7 working"
 and substituting "30";
 - (b) by deleting everything after "then the" and substituting -
 - "Authority may by written notice served on the approved trustee -
 - (c) amend any conditions
 imposed under subsection
 (8) or this subsection
 with respect to the
 conduct of the approved
 trustee's business; or

- (d) impose conditions with
 respect to the conduct of
 the approved trustee's
 business.".
- 10(d) In the proposed section 21(12) -
 - (a) in paragraph (b)(i), by deleting "7 working"
 and substituting "30";
 - (b) by deleting everything after "then the" and substituting -

"Authority may by written notice served on the approved trustee -

- (c) amend any conditions
 imposed under subsection
 (8A) or this subsection
 with respect to the
 administration or
 marketing of the scheme;
 or
- (d) impose conditions with
 respect to the
 administration or
 marketing of the scheme.".
- 11(d) In the proposed section 21A(12) -
 - (a) in paragraph (b)(i), by deleting "7 working"
 and substituting "30";

(b) by deleting everything after "then the" and substituting -

"Authority may by written notice served on the approved trustee -

- (c) amend any conditions
 imposed under subsection
 (8A) or this subsection
 with respect to the
 administration or
 marketing of the scheme;
 or
- (d) impose conditions with
 respect to the
 administration or
 marketing of the scheme.".

15 By deleting the clause.

Schedule (a) In section 1(d), by adding -

(a) inviting participation in the
 scheme by prospective
 participating employers or
 prospective members of the
 scheme; and

- (b) containing information
 relating to the establishment
 or administration of the
 scheme;";
- "participation agreement" (), in relation to a registered scheme, means an agreement -
 - (a) between a participating
 employer and the approved
 trustee of the scheme for the
 employer and his employees to
 participate in the scheme;
 - (b) between a self-employed person
 and the approved trustee of
 the scheme for the self employed person to participate
 in the scheme;
 - (c) between a person intending to
 maintain a preserved account
 in the scheme and the approved
 trustee of the scheme;".
- (b) In section 2(b), in the proposed section 6(3)(b)(i), by deleting "7 working" and substituting "30".
- (c) In section 5(b), by deleting the proposed section 63(2A) and substituting -
 - "(2A) In respect of an amendment proposed

to be made or made to the governing rules in respect of or by a participation agreement of a registered scheme -

- (a) subject to paragraph (b),
 subsections (1) and (2) shall
 not apply unless the amendment
 relates to mandatory
 contributions or voluntary
 contribution;
- (b) subsections (1) and (2) shall
 not apply if the amendment is
 in a form approved by the
 Authority for the purposes of
 this section.".
- (d) By adding -

"5A. Section added

The following is added -

"63A. Amendments to offering documents require Authority's approval

- (1) An approved trustee of a registered scheme must notify the Authority in writing of any amendment proposed to be made to the offering document of the scheme and lodge with the Authority a copy of the proposed amendment.
 - (2) Any amendment to the offering

document of the scheme should not be made available to scheme members, prospective scheme members, participating employers or prospective participating employers until the Authority has given written notice to the trustee that the Authority has approved it.

- (3) In this section, a reference to an amendment to the offering document of a registered scheme includes a reference to addition of new provisions, or substitution or omission of existing provisions, of the document.".".
- (e) In section 8 -
 - (i) in paragraph (a), in the proposed
 section 78(6)(a)(iii), (b)(iii), (c)(ii),
 (d)(ii), (e)(ii) and (f)(ii), by
 deleting "section 5(1)(b)" and
 substituting "section 5(1)";
 - (ii) in paragraph (b), in the proposed
 section 78(7)(b)(ii) and (d)(ii), by
 deleting "section 5(1)(b)" and
 substituting "section 5(1)";
 - (iii) in paragraph (c) -
 - (A) in the proposed section 78(8)(a)(ii)
 and (b)(ii), by deleting "section

- 5(1)(b)" and substituting "section
 5(1)";
- (B) by deleting the full stop and substituting a semicolon;
- (iv) by adding -
 - "(d) by adding -
 - "(10) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that this section does not operate to require the trustee to divide a member's subaccount into any further sub-accounts.".
- (f) By deleting section 17 and substituting -
 - "17. Circumstances in which persons are exempted from operation of the Ordinance

Section 203(1)(b) and (2) are amended by repealing "12" wherever it appears and substituting "13".".

- (g) In section 18, by adding before paragraph (a) "(aa) by adding after item 23 -
 - "23A. <u>63A</u> Amendments 10,000 20,000 50,000".".

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approval