A Bill to Amend certain Ordinances to give effect to some of the proposals in the Budget introduced by the Government for the 2001--2002 financial year.

Enacted by the Legislative Council.

- 1. Short title and commencement
 - (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Revenue (No. 2) Ordinance 2001.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3), this Ordinance shall come into operation on the day on which this Ordinance is published in the Gazette.
- (3) Sections 3 to 6 shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for the Treasury by notice published in the Gazette.

Inland Revenue Ordinance

2. Deduction for expenses of self-education

Schedule 3A to the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112) is amended by repealing item 3 and substituting---

- "3. For the years of assessment 1998/99 to 2000/01 inclusive \$30,000
- 4. For the year of assessment 2001/02 and for each year after that year \$40,000".

Air Passenger Departure Tax Ordinance

3. Interpretation

Section 2 of the Air Passenger Departure Tax Ordinance (Cap. 140) is amended, in the definition of "airport", by adding "or a heliport specified in Schedule 3" after "Airport".

4. Section added

The following is added---

"20. Amendment of Schedule 3

The Director may, by notice published in the Gazette, amend Schedule 3.".

5. Air passenger departure tax

The First Schedule is amended, in item 1, by repealing "\$50" and substituting "\$80".

6. Schedule 3 added

The following is added---

"SCHEDULE 3 [ss. 2 & 20]

Heliport

1. The heliport at the Hong Kong---Macau Ferry Terminal".

Road Traffic (Parking) Regulations

7. Schedule 2 amended

Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic (Parking) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg.) is

amended---

- (a) in Part 1, in items 1 to 3, by repealing "\$2.00" and substituting "\$3";
- (b) in Part 2, in items 1 to 3, by repealing "\$2.00" and substituting "\$3". Explanatory Memorandum

The purpose of this Bill is to amend certain Ordinances to give effect to some of the proposals in the 2001--2002 Budget.

- 2. Clause 2 amends the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112) to increase the maximum amount of the expenses of self-education deductible from assessable income from \$30,000 to \$40,000.
- 3. Clause 3 amends the definition of "airport" in the Air Passenger Departure Tax Ordinance (Cap. 140). The principal effect of this amendment is that, subject to that Ordinance, a passenger who intends to depart from Hong Kong by helicopter at a heliport specified in the proposed Schedule 3 is also required to pay air passenger departure tax.
- 4. Clause 4 empowers the Director-General of Civil Aviation to amend the proposed Schedule 3.
- 5. Clause 5 amends the First Schedule to the Air Passenger Departure Tax Ordinance (Cap. 140) to increase the air passenger departure tax from \$50 to \$80.
- 6. Clause 6 adds a new Schedule to the Air Passenger Departure Tax Ordinance (Cap. 140).
- 7. Clause 7 amends the Road Traffic (Parking) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg.) to increase the maximum fees for the use of metered parking spaces and of pay and display parking spaces from \$2 per 15 minutes to \$3 per 15 minutes.