

**Bills Committee on Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2003**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion  
at the meeting on 27 November 2003**

The Administration was requested -

- (a) to advise whether applicants, failing in examination of a recognized top-up course for minor works contractors, had to pay an examination fee again if they re-sit the examination and if so, the fee level;
- (b) to review the proposed minor works control regime to address members' concern that the proposed regime was nuisance-causing but ineffective to enhance public safety. To address some members' concern that it was unclear what constituted exempted works;
- (c) to provide legal advice on nature of disputes between owners' corporations and individual owners in relation to statutory orders issued by the Building Authority (BA) which could be heard by the Lands Tribunal under the Tenth Schedule to the Building Management Ordinance (Cap. 344); and
- (d) to consider the proposal of extending the scope of the Appeal Tribunal (Buildings) to hear and determine cases of disputes between individual owners and owners' corporations relating to the manner of complying with a statutory order issued by BA. Some members considered that this proposal might resolve the complication arising from the anomaly of having two bodies, namely, the Appeal Tribunal (Buildings) and the Lands Tribunal, handling matters relating to compliance with a statutory order issued by BA, and the Appeal Tribunal (Buildings) could be a better venue in view of the technical background of its members.