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Bills Committee on Betting Duty (Amendment) Bill 2003

**Minutes of meeting
held on Friday, 13 June 2003 at 8:30 am
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building**

- Members Present** : Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP
Hon SIN Chung-kai
Hon Howard YOUNG, JP
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, GBS, JP
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung
Hon WONG Sing-chi
Hon IP Kwok-him, JP
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP
- Members Absent** : Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
Hon James TO Kun-sun
- Public Officers Attending** : Mr Stephen FISHER
Deputy Secretary for Home Affairs (2)
- Ms Esther LEUNG
Principal Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs (5)

Mr W L CHEUNG
Senior Government Counsel (Law Drafting Division)
Department of Justice

Mr Ryan CHIU
Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs (5)1

Attendance by Invitation : King Lam Alliance Church

Rev WONG Kin-man
Senior Pastor

Miss POON Fung-ping
Pastor

Cedar Fund

Miss Alice KWAN Ming-wai
Project Officer

Scripture Union of Hong Kong Ltd

Ms YEUNG Suk-yee
General Secretary

Social Concern Group, North Point Alliance Church

Mr Lawrence CHAN Kim-wan
Minister

Kau Yan Church, Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong

Mr Daniel HO Sin-pan
Pastor

Mr LI Kin-ip
Member

Christian Kwong Kei Church

Rev Tan Tein Kok
Reverend

The Mission Covenant Church Yan Lam Church

Mr AU Wai-cheong
Senior Pastor

Ms WU Chun-lin
Pastor

Individuals

Mr CHAN Yut-wah

Mr CHEUNG Koon-fook

Mr Daniel CHO Hung-fai

Dr HONG Kwai-wah

Ms TSANG Pui-hing

Mr CHAN Hon-kwan

Ms HUI Wai-man

Ms LO Mi-kuen

Mr Sean YU Kwok-fu

Ms Belinder LIU Ching-ting

Mr John TAI

Clerk in Attendance : Miss Flora TAI
Chief Assistant Secretary (2)2

Staff in Attendance : Mr Stephen LAM
Assistant Legal Adviser 4

Miss Lolita SHEK
Senior Assistant Secretary (2)7

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I Meeting with the Administration and deputations

[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)2423/02-03(01) to (11), CB(2)2452/02-03(01), and CB(2)2459/02-03(01) and (02)]

The Bills Committee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

2. The Bills Committee received the views from the following 18 deputations and individuals on the Bill -

- (a) King Lam Alliance Church
- (b) Cedar Fund
- (c) Scripture Union of Hong Kong Ltd
- (d) Social Concern Group, North Point Alliance Church
- (e) Kau Yan Church, Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong
- (f) Christian Kwong Kei Church
- (g) The Mission Covenant Church Yan Lam Church
- (h) Mr CHAN Yut-wah
- (i) Mr CHEUNG Koon-fook
- (j) Mr Daniel CHO Hung-fai
- (k) Dr HONG Kwai-wah
- (l) Ms TSANG Pui-hing
- (m) Mr CHAN Hon-kwan
- (n) Ms HUI Wai-man
- (o) Ms LO Mi-kuen
- (p) Mr Sean YU Kwok-fu
- (q) Ms Belinder LIU Ching-ting
- (r) Mr John TAI

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3. The Administration was requested to consider the following requests from some of the members –

- (a) to conduct research on the factors contributing to the development of problem and pathological gambling behaviour;
- (b) to collect information and statistics on the treatment of problem and pathological gamblers and the success rate of correcting their behaviour;
- (c) to conduct studies on the impact of authorization of football betting on the society of Hong Kong; and
- (d) to conduct studies on the impact of gambling on the society of other overseas places.

II. Any other business

Date of next meeting

4. Members noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday, 16 June 2003 to receive views from the deputations from 8:30 am to 10:30 am, and then meet with the Administration and examine the Bill clause by clause from 10:45 am to 12:45 pm.

5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:45 am.

Council Business Division 2

Legislative Council Secretariat

8 July 2003

Annex

**Proceedings of the meeting of the Bills Committee on
Betting Duty (Amendment) Bill 2003
on Friday, 13 June 2003 at 8:30 am
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building**

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
0000-0134	Chairman	Welcoming remarks	
0135-0550	King Lam Alliance Church	Presentation of views	
0551-1000	Cedar Fund	Presentation of views	
1001-1127	Scripture Union of Hong Kong Ltd	Presentation of views	
1128-1549	Social Concern Group, North Point Alliance Church	Presentation of views	
1550-2008	Kau Yan Church, Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong	Presentation of views	
2009-2431	Christian Kwong Kei Church	Presentation of views	
2432-2846	The Mission Covenant Church Yan Lam Church	Presentation of views	
2847-3310	Mr CHAN Yut-wah	Presentation of views	
3311-3627	Mr CHEUNG Koon-fook	Presentation of views	
3628-4210	Mr Daniel CHO Hung-fai	Presentation of views	
4211-4646	Dr HONG Kwai-wah	Presentation of views	
4647-5125	Ms TSANG Pui-hing	Presentation of views	
5126-5609	Mr CHAN Hon-kwan	Presentation of views	
5610-010017	Ms HUI Wai-man	Presentation of views	
010018-010530	Ms LO Mi-kuen	Presentation of views	
010531-010814	Mr Sean YU Kwok-fu	Presentation of views	
010815-011235	Ms Belinder LIU Ching-ting	Presentation of views	
011236-011654	Mr John TAI	Presentation of views	

011655-013545	Chairman Mr Michael MAK Dr HONG Kwai-wah Kau Yan Church, Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong King Lam Alliance Church Mr Daniel CHO Hung-fai Social Concern Group, North Point Alliance Church Ms HUI Wai-man Scripture Union of Hong Kong Ltd Mr John TAI Mr CHEUNG Koon-fook	Treatment for problem and pathological gamblers and the success rate of correcting their behaviour in Hong Kong and in overseas countries The effectiveness of education in preventing gambling behaviour in Hong Kong Reasons for the overwhelming opposition to the Bill from deputations/individuals which/who presented their views to the Bills Committee	Admin (see para. 3(b) of minutes of meeting)
013546-015341	Chairman Mr Andrew CHENG Mr CHAN Yut-wah Dr HONG Kwai-wah King Lam Alliance Church Scripture Union of Hong Kong Ltd Kau Yan Church, Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong Mr WONG Sing-chi Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Impact of authorization of football betting on the development of problem and pathological gambling behaviour	Admin (see para. 3(a), (c) and (d) of minutes of meeting)
015342-015826	Ms Cyd HO Dr HONG Kwai-wah	Characteristics of problem and pathological gamblers and factors leading to problem and pathological gambling behaviour	
015827-020405	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Dr HONG Kwai-wah Mr CHAN Hon-kwan Kau Yan Church, Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong	Impact of authorization of football betting on the development of problem and pathological gambling behaviour and on the youth	
020406-021052	Chairman Admin	Admin's response to the views expressed by deputations, individuals and members	
021053-021124	Chairman	Date of next meeting	