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**Legal Service Division Report on
Subsidiary Legislation Gazetted on 20 December 2002**

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Pilotage Ordinance (Cap. 84)

Pilotage (Dues) (Amendment) Order 2002 (L.N. 234)

Pilotage dues are not government fees and are charged by licensed pilots for the provision of pilotage services. Under section 22 of the Pilotage Ordinance (Cap. 84), the Pilotage Authority (who is the Director of Marine) may, after consultation with the Pilotage Advisory Committee, by order publish in the Gazette provide for the amount of pilotage dues.

2. This Order amends the Pilotage (Dues) Order (Cap. 84 sub. leg.) to reduce the pilotage dues in that:-

- (a) for ships having a gross registered tonnage of 30,000 to 60,000 tons, the existing charges of 6.25 cents per ton will be reduced to 6 cents per ton, subject to a minimum of \$1,950;
- (b) for ships having a gross registered tonnage of more than 60,000 tons, the existing charges of 6.25 cents per ton will be reduced to 5.75 cents per ton, subject to a minimum of \$3,600; and
- (c) the additional pilotage due for pilots boarding or disembarking from Ngan Chau or at the west of Lamma Island will be reduced from \$1,900 to \$1,800.

3. Members may refer to LegCo Brief (ref: MA 50/1) issued by the Economic Development and Labour Bureau and dated 20 December 2002 for background information of this Order. According to the Administration, the proposal is supported by the Pilotage Advisory Committee. The proposal has not been referred to any LegCo Panel.

4. The Order shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Director of Marine by notice published in the Gazette.

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