# 立法會 Legislative Council

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# Position Report on Bills Committees/subcommittees (as at 15 October 2002)

Summary	(a)	Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation in action	:	3	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	(b)	Number of other subcommittees under House Committee in action	:	3	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	(c)	Number of other subcommittees under House Committee reporting to House Committee on 18.10.02	:	1	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	(d)	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	15	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	(e)	Number of Bills Committees held in abeyance	:	2	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	(f)	Number of Bills Committees on waiting list	:	4	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	(g)	Bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	1	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
	(h)	Bills pending decision of House Committee	:	1	(see <u>List H</u> for details)

## List A: Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation in action

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		Date and	Expected date		
	Date of formation of	number of	to report to		
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	meetings	House		
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Remarks	
1. Subcommittee on Places	4.10.02	1		Next meeting to be held on 18.10.02 to continue discussion	
of Public Entertainment		11.10.02		with the Administration.	
Ordinance (Amendment	Hon James TO Kun-sun				
of Schedule 1)					
Regulation 2002 and					
Places of Public					
Entertainment					
(Exemption) Order					
- Miss Flora TAI					
CAS(2)2					
Tel: 2869 9252					
2. Subcommittee on	4.10.02	1		Next meeting to be held on 24.10.02 to continue discussion	
Solicitors (Group		9.10.02		with the Law Society of Hong Kong and the Administration.	
Practice) Rules	Hon Margaret NG				
- Mrs Percy MA	_				
CAS(2)3					
Tel: 2869 9253					
3. Subcommittee on United	4.10.02			First meeting to be held on 30.10.02 to elect Chairman and to	
Nations Sanctions				meet with the Administration.	
(Afghanistan)					
(Amendment) Regulation					
2002					
- Mrs Doris CHAN					
CAS(2)4					
Tel: 2869 9255					

#### List B: Other subcommittees under House Committee in action

		Date and	Expected date	
	Date of formation of	number of	to report to	
Name of Subcommittee	Subcommittee	meetings	House	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee to follow	20.10.00	13		Next meeting to be held on 14.11.02 to continue discussion
up the outstanding capital		10.11.00		with the Administration on the progress of outstanding projects.
works projects of the	Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP	7.12.00		
former municipal councils		1.3.01		
- Mrs Constance LI		4.4.01		
CAS(2)5		18.4.01		
Tel: 2869 9269		3.5.01		
		21.6.01		
		16.10.01		
		15.11.01		
		10.1.02		
		7.3.02		
		2.5.02		
		4.7.02		
2. Subcommittee on	20.10.00	8	17.11.00	
Members' Remuneration		1.11.00	(1st report)	
and Operating Expenses	Hon NG Leung-sing	9.11.00	8.12.00	
Reimbursement		30.11.00	(2nd report)	
- Mrs Anna LO		16.3.01	29.6.01	
PASA		15.6.01	(3rd report)	
Tel: 2869 9480		26.6.01	2.11.01	
		4.10.01	(4th report)	
		11.4.02	31.5.02	
			(5th report)	

Name of Subcommittee Clerk  3. Subcommittee on draft subsidiary legislation to be made under the Securities and Futures Ordinance - Ms Connie SZETO CAS(1)4 Tel: 2525 1612	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman 22.2.02  Hon SIN Chung-kai (Chairman)  Hon Margaret NG (Deputy Chairman)	Date and number of meetings held  11 8.3.02 28.3.02 29.4.02 (2 sessions) 6.6.02 7.6.02 (2 sessions) 9.7.02 (2 sessions) 15.7.02	Expected date to report to House Committee	Remarks  Next meeting to be held on 24.10.02 to meet with the Administration.
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#### List C: Other subcommittees under House Committee reporting to House Committee on 18.10.02

Name of Subcommittee	Date of formation of Subcommittee	Date and number of meetings	Expected date to report to House	
Clerk	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee to study issues relating to the Fugitive Offenders (Sri Lanka) Order     Mrs Sharon TONG CAS(2)1     Tel: 2869 9254	23.11.01  Hon James TO Kun-sun	3 20.12.01 19.3.02 30.5.02	18.10.02	Reporting to the House Committee on 18.10.02.

#### **List D : Bills Committees in action**

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Expected date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
1. Bills Committee on Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 2001 - Miss Becky YU CAS(1)1 Tel: 2869 9213	20.6.01	22.6.01  Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	10 29.11.01 6.3.02 19.4.02 17.5.02 10.6.02 8.7.02 16.7.02 23.7.02 31.7.02 25.9.02			Next meeting to be scheduled.
<ul> <li>2. Bills Committee on Human Organ Transplant (Amendment) Bill 2001</li> <li>- Ms Doris CHAN CAS(2)4 Tel: 2869 9255</li> </ul>	20.6.01	22.6.01  Dr Hon LO Wing-lok	4 14.12.01 25.1.02 22.2.02 22.3.02			Next meeting to be scheduled to continue discussion with the Administration.
3. Bills Committee on Prevention of Child Pornography Bill - Mrs Sharon TONG CAS(2)1 Tel: 2869 9254	23.1.02	25.1.02  Hon Andrew CHENG Karfoo	5 17.4.02 3.5.02 17.5.02 3.6.02 26.6.02			Next meeting to be held on 17.10.02 to continue discussion with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Expected date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
<ul> <li>4. Bills Committee on Chemical Weapons (Convention) Bill</li> <li>- Miss Salumi CHAN CAS(1)5 Tel: 2869 9244</li> </ul>	7.11.01	9.11.01 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	2 18.4.02 16.7.02			Next three meetings to be held on 18.10.02, 24.10.02 and 31.10.02 to meet with the Administration.
5. Bills Committee on Registration of Persons (Amendment) Bill 2001 - Mrs Sharon TONG CAS(2)1 Tel: 2869 9254	9.1.02	11.1.02 Hon IP Kwok-him, JP	3 10.7.02 4.10.02 11.10.02			Next meeting to be held on 28.10.02 to continue discussion with the Administration.
6. Bills Committee on Land (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Bill 2002 - Mr Andy LAU CAS(1)2 Tel: 2869 9577	24.4.02	26.4.02  Hon LAU Ping-cheung	2 5.7.02 19.9.02			Next meeting to be held on 24.10.02 to meet with the Administration.
7. Bills Committee on Fire Services (Amendment) Bill 2001 - Miss Flora TAI CAS(2)2 Tel: 2869 9252	4.7.01	10.7.01 Hon IP Kwok-him, JP	2 15.7.02 15.10.02			Next meeting to be held on 12.11.02 to meet deputations and to continue discussion with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Expected date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
8. Bills Committee on Juvenile Offenders (Amendment) Bill 2001 - Mrs Constance LI CAS(2)5 Tel: 2869 9269	14.11.01	16.11.01 Hon Margaret NG	2 17.7.02 19.9.02			Next meeting to be held on 21.10.02 to continue discussion with the Administration.
9. Bills Committee on Telecommunications (Amendment) Bill 2002 - Miss Polly YEUNG CAS(1)3 Tel: 2869 9246	15.5.02	17.5.02 Hon SIN Chung-kai	3 12.7.02 25.7.02 7.10.02			Next meeting to be held on 6.11.02 to meet with the Administration.
<ul> <li>10. Bills Committee on Adaptation of Laws Bill 2001 - Mrs Percy MA CAS(2)3 Tel: 2869 9253</li> </ul>	19.12.01	4.1.02 Hon Margaret NG	2 15.7.02 17.9.02			Next meeting to be held on 5.11.02 to continue discussion with the Administration.
11. Bills Committee on Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2001 - Ms Connie SZETO CAS(1)4 Tel: 2525 1612	19.12.01	4.1.02 Hon SIN Chung-kai	3 10.7.02 16.9.02 8.10.02			Next meeting to be held on 7.11.02 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Expected date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
12. Bills Committee on Interest on Arrears of Maintenance Bill 2001 - Ms Doris CHAN CAS(2)4 Tel: 2869 9255	9.1.02	11.1.02 Hon Margaret NG	3 22.7.02 23.9.02 2.10.02			Next meeting to be held on 4.11.02 to continue discussion with the Administration.
13. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2001 - Mrs Constance LI CAS(2)5 Tel: 2869 9269	21.11.01	18.1.02  Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP	1 22.7.02			Next meeting to be held on 23.10.02 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
14. Bills Committee on Companies (Amendment) Bill 2002 - Miss Becky YU CAS(1)1 Tel: 2869 9213	31.1.02	1.2.02 Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	3 24.7.02 4.10.02 15.10.02			Next two meetings to be held on 22.10.02 and 6.11.02 to meet with the Administration.
15. Bills Committee on Village Representative Election Bill - Miss Flora TAI CAS(2)2 Tel: 2869 9252	9.10.02	11.10.02				First meeting to be held on 22.10.02 to elect the Chairman and to meet with the Administration.

## List E: Bills Committees held in abeyance

	Date of introduction of		Date and	
	Bill into	Date of formation of Bills	number of	
Name of Bills Committee	Legislative	Committee	meetings	
Clerk	Council	Chairman/Deputy Chairman	held	Remarks
1. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2000 - Ms Anita SIT CAS(1)6 Tel: 2525 3331	18.10.00	20.10.00  Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP	3 6.11.00 20.11.00 4.12.00	At the House Committee meeting on 2.3.01, the Bills Committee reported that it had identified a number of problems with the anti-avoidance safeguards proposed in the Bill and had requested the Administration to further discuss the problems with parties concerned. Members agreed that the Bills Committee's work should be held in abeyance pending the Administration's response.
2. Bills Committee on Companies (Corporate Rescue) Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CAS(1)5 Tel: 2869 9244	23.5.01	25.5.01  Hon Margaret NG	5 12.7.01 27.9.01 22.10.01 14.11.01 5.12.01	At the House Committee meeting on 7.12.01, the Bills Committee recommended that the scrutiny of the Bill should be held in abeyance to allow time for the Administration to conduct consultation on, and work out the details of, a new proposal. The House Committee agreed to the Bills Committee's recommendation.

#### **List F : Bills Committees on waiting list**

			Date of	
			introduction of Bill	
			into Legislative	Date of formation of
Nar	ne of Bills Committee	Object(s) of the Bill	Council	Bills Committee
1.	Bills Committee on	To amend the District Councils Ordinance to change the number of members to be	9.10.02	11.10.02
	<b>Electoral Provisions</b>	elected to the Islands District Council, Sai Kung District Council and Yuen Long		
	(Miscellaneous	District Council; to amend the Legislative Council Ordinance to adjust the cycle for		
	Amendments) Bill	the compilation and publication of electoral registers; and to amend the Chief		
	2002	Executive Election Ordinance to adjust the cycle for the compilation and publication		
		of registers of voters.		
2.	Bills Committee on	To amend the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109) and its regulations so as	31.1.02	1.3.02
	Dutiable	to implement on open bond system in all bonded warehouses in Hong Kong; and to		
	Commodities	make some other miscellaneous amendments.		
	(Amendment) Bill			
	2002			
3.	Bills Committee on	To amend the Occupational Deafness (Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 469) to	17.4.02	26.4.02
	Occupational	increase the minimum and maximum levels of compensation; to adjust upwards the		
	Deafness	percentage of permanent incapacity of claimants caused by occupational deafness;		
	(Compensation)	and to make provision for reimbursements for hearing assistive devices.		
	(Amendment) Bill			
	2002			
4.	Bills Committee on	To implement the recommendations made by the Law Reform Commission in its	29.5.02	31.5.02
	Evidence	"Report on Competence and Compellability of Spouses in Criminal Proceedings"		
	(Miscellaneous	(1988); and to provide for the giving of evidence by way of a live television link in		
	Amendments) Bill	criminal proceedings.		
	2002			

List G: Bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate									
	Date of introduction of	Date of House Committee							
	Bill into	meeting(s) at	Date of resumption						
	Legislative	which the Bill was	of Second Reading						
Name of Bill	Council	considered	debate (if known)	Remarks					
1. Bills Committee on Immigration	28.11.01	30.11.01		At the House Committee meeting on 11.10.02,					
(Amendment) Bill 2001		11.10.02		Members did not raise objection to the					
				resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill.					

List H : Bills pending decision of House Committee				
Name of Bill	Object(s) of the Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was/will be considered	Remarks
1. Industrial Training (Construction Industry) (Amendment) Bill 2001	To empower the Construction Industry Training Authority to arrange for and cover the costs of the medical examination of persons employed in prescribed occupations in the construction industry involving exposure to hazardous substances.	14.3.01	16.3.01	Members agreed to defer a decision on the Bill pending the introduction of the related regulation to be made under the Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance.