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**Position Report on Bills Committees/subcommittees  
(as at 13 January 2004)**

<b>Summary</b>	(a)	Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation in action	:	6	(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 Bills Committees in action	:	15	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	(d)	Number of Bills Committees held in abeyance	:	3	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	(e)	Number of Bills Committees on waiting list	:	6	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	(f)	Bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	2	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	(g)	Bills pending decision of House Committee	:	1	(see <u>List G</u> for details)

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## List A : Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Expected date to report to House Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on the draft Criminal Jurisdiction Ordinance (Amendment of Section 2(2)) Order 2002 - Mrs Percy MA CCS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	6.12.02  Hon James TO Kun-sun	4 8.1.03 17.3.03 13.10.03 9.1.04		Next meeting to be scheduled, pending response of the Administration to proposals made by members of the Subcommittee.
2. Subcommittee on the United Nations Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation 2003 - Mrs Sharon TONG CCS(2)1 Tel : 2869 9254	14.11.03  Hon Margaret NG	1 11.12.03		Next meeting to be held on 19.1.04 to meet with the Administration.
3. Subcommittee on subsidiary legislation relating to 2004 Legislative Council elections - Mrs Percy MA CCS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	19.12.03  Hon HUI Cheung-ching, JP	2 6.1.04 12.1.04	9.1.04 (Verbal report) 16.1.04 (Verbal report)	Next meeting to be held on 30.1.04 to continue discussion with the Administration.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Expected date to report to House Committee	Remarks
4. Subcommittee on proposed resolution under section 7(a) of the Legal Aid Ordinance - Mrs Percy MA CCS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	9.1.04			First meeting to be scheduled.
5. Subcommittee on proposed resolution under section 3(1) of the Loans Ordinance - Miss Salumi CHAN CCS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244	9.1.04			First meeting to be held on 16.1.04 to elect the Chairman and to meet with the Administration.
6. Subcommittee on the Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Ukraine) Order and the Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Singapore) Order - Mrs Constance LI CCS(2)5 Tel : 2869 9269	9.1.04			First meeting to be scheduled.

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

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Expected date to report to House Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement - Mrs Anna LO PCS(A) Tel : 2869 9480	20.10.00  Hon NG Leung-sing, JP	11 1.11.00 9.11.00 30.11.00 16.3.01 15.6.01 26.6.01 4.10.01 11.4.02 29.5.03 1.11.03 14.1.04	17.11.00 (1st report) 8.12.00 (2nd report) 29.6.01 (3rd report) 2.11.01 (4th report) 31.5.02 (5th report)	
2. Subcommittee on juvenile justice system - Mrs Percy MA CCS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	7.11.03  Hon Margaret NG	2 26.11.03 18.12.03		Next meeting to be held on 5.2.04 to meet with the Administration and deputations.
3. Subcommittee to consider a mechanism to monitor the use of Members' Operating Expenses Reimbursement - Mrs Anna LO PCS(A) Tel : 2869 9480	19.12.03  Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	1 13.1.04		Next meeting to be held on 19.2.04.



### List C : 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 Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2001 and Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(1)3 Tel : 2869 9246	19.12.01 12.2.03	4.1.02  Hon SIN Chung-kai	15 10.7.02 16.9.02 8.10.02 7.11.02 10.12.02 14.2.03 4.3.03 7.4.03 9.5.03 6.6.03 12.6.03 4.7.03 8.9.03 31.10.03 27.11.03	13.6.03 (Verbal report) 20.6.03		Next meeting to be held on 28.1.04 to meet with the Administration to continue discussion on the Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2003.
2. Bills Committee on Education (Amendment) Bill 2002 - Ms Doris CHAN CCS(2)2 Tel : 2869 9252	4.12.02	6.12.02  Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	15 27.2.03 17.3.03 27.3.03 11.4.03 9.5.03 12.5.03 30.5.03			Next two meetings to be held on 12.2.04 and 13.2.04 to meet with deputations.

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2. Bills Committee on Education (Amendment) Bill 2002 - Ms Doris CHAN CCS(2)2 Tel : 2869 9252 <i>(Continued from previous page)</i>			18.9.03 10.10.03 24.10.03 30.10.03 7.11.03 13.11.03 27.11.03 5.12.03			
3. Bills Committee on Land Titles Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CCS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244	18.12.02	3.1.03  Hon Margaret NG	22 19.3.03 8.4.03 23.4.03 5.5.03 12.5.03 (2 sessions) 22.5.03 9.6.03 19.6.03 30.6.03 17.7.03 31.7.03 (2 sessions) 19.9.03 29.9.03 30.9.03 14.10.03 21.10.03 28.10.03			Next meeting to be held on 30.1.04 to meet with The Law Society of Hong Kong and the Administration.

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3. Bills Committee on Land Titles Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CCS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244 <i>(Continued from previous page)</i>			25.11.03 3.12.03 9.12.03 19.12.03 13.1.04			
4. Bills Committee on Construction Workers Registration Bill - Mr Andy LAU CCS(1)2 Tel : 2869 9577	19.3.03	21.3.03  Hon CHAN Kwok-keung, JP	4 2.6.03 24.6.03 13.11.03 5.1.04			Next meeting to be held on 11.2.04 to meet with the Administration.
5. Bills Committee on Construction Industry Levy (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2003 - Mrs Sharon TONG CCS(2)1 Tel : 2869 9254	9.4.03	11.4.03  Hon LAU Ping-cheung	6 20.6.03 18.7.03 17.10.03 10.11.03 1.12.03 12.1.04	30.1.04	11.2.04	Reporting to the House Committee on 30.1.04.



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
6. Bills Committee on Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Odelia LEUNG CCS(1)4 Tel : 2869 9245	30.4.03	2.5.03  Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	10 8.7.03 31.7.03 9.9.03 23.9.03 16.10.03 6.11.03 11.11.03 27.11.03 12.12.03 8.1.04			Next meeting to be held on 29.1.04 to meet with the Administration.
7. Bills Committee on Deposit Protection Scheme Bill - Miss Becky YU CCS(1)1 Tel : 2869 9213	30.4.03	2.5.03  Hon Albert HO Chun-yan	10 18.7.03 17.9.03 25.9.03 3.10.03 21.10.03 4.11.03 18.11.03 11.12.03 22.12.03 5.1.04			Next two meetings to be held on 4.2.04 and 10.2.04 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
8. Bills Committee on Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(1)3 Tel : 2869 9246	14.5.03	16.5.03  Hon SIN Chung-kai	6 7.7.03 10.9.03 7.10.03 30.10.03 26.11.03 6.1.04			Next meeting to be held on 2.2.04 to meet with the Administration.
9. Bills Committee on Companies (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)6 Tel : 2525 3331	25.6.03	27.6.03  Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	10 18.7.03 11.9.03 2.10.03 17.10.03 30.10.03 13.11.03 27.11.03 9.12.03 18.12.03 8.1.04			Next meeting to be held on 29.1.04 to meet with the Administration.

<p>10. Bills Committee on Town Planning (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Odelia LEUNG CCS(1)4 Tel : 2869 9245</p>	<p>21.5.03</p>	<p>23.5.03  Hon James TO Kun-sun</p>	<p>9 18.7.03 18.9.03 24.9.03 23.10.03 4.11.03 20.11.03 28.11.03 3.12.03 6.1.04</p>		<p>Next meeting to be held on 19.1.04 to meet with the Administration.</p>
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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
11. Bills Committee on United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Mary SO CCS(2)4 Tel : 2869 9551	21.5.03	23.5.03  Hon James TO Kun-sun	6 10.10.03 3.11.03 12.11.03 26.11.03 5.12.03 10.1.04			Next meeting to be scheduled.
12. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2000 - Ms Anita SIT CCS(1)6 Tel : 2525 3331	18.10.00	20.10.00  Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP	5 6.11.00 20.11.00 4.12.00 13.11.03 9.12.03			Next meeting to be held on 5.2.04 to meet with the Administration.
13. Bills Committee on Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Becky YU CCS(1)1 Tel : 2869 9213	11.6.03	13.6.03  Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	3 20.11.03 18.12.03 9.1.04			Next three meetings to be held on 19.1.04, 2.2.04 and 16.2.04 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
14. Bills Committee on Hong Kong Sports Development Board (Repeal) Bill - Mrs Sharon TONG CCS(2)1 Tel : 2869 9254	26.11.03	28.11.03  Hon NG Leung-sing, JP	1 12.12.03			Next meeting to be scheduled pending the Administration's response on resolving transitional staffing matters of the Hong Kong Sports Development Board upon its dissolution.
15. Bills Committee on Adoption (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Ms Doris CHAN CCS(2)2 Tel : 2869 9252	18.6.03	20.6.03  Hon Margaret NG	1 7.1.04			Next meeting to be held on 19.2.04 to meet with the Administration.

## List D : Bills Committees held in abeyance

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	Remarks
<p>1. Bills Committee on Companies (Corporate Rescue) Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CCS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244</p>	<p>23.5.01</p>	<p>25.5.01  Hon Margaret NG</p>	<p>5 12.7.01 27.9.01 22.10.01 14.11.01 5.12.01</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Hon Margaret NG informed Members at the House Committee meeting on 3.10.03 that the Administration had recently issued a consultation paper on the proposal to the parties concerned.</p>
<p>2. Bills Committee on Human Organ Transplant (Amendment) Bill 2001 - Miss Mary SO CCS(2)4 Tel : 2869 9551</p>	<p>20.6.01</p>	<p>22.6.01  Dr Hon LO Wing-lok</p>	<p>4 14.12.01 25.1.02 22.2.02 22.3.02</p>	<p>At the House Committee meeting on 1.11.02, the Bills Committee reported that as the Administration was not in a position to report back to the Bills Committee in the immediate future, it agreed to hold in abeyance the consideration of the Bill, pending the Administration's response to the outstanding issues.</p>
<p>3. Bills Committee on Foreshore, Sea-bed and Roads (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Odelia LEUNG CCS(1)4 Tel : 2869 9245</p>	<p>19.2.03</p>	<p>21.2.03  Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP</p>	<p>2 1.4.03 28.4.03</p>	<p>At the House Committee meeting on 2.5.03, the Bills Committee reported that as the Administration was prepared to reconsider the way forward on the Bill, the Bills Committee agreed to the Administration's proposal to hold consideration of the Bill in abeyance.</p>

## List E : Bills Committees on waiting list

Name of Bills Committee	Object(s) of the Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee
1. Bills Committee on Electronic Transactions (Amendment) Bill 2003	To introduce miscellaneous amendments to the Electronic Transactions Ordinance (Cap. 553) to ensure that Hong Kong has the most up-to-date legislative framework for the conduct of e-business.	25.6.03	27.6.03
2. Bills Committee on Waste Disposal (Amendment) Bill 2003	To control the management of clinical waste and the disposal of imported waste; and to give effect to the Basle Ban in Hong Kong.	25.6.03	27.6.03
3. Bills Committee on Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill 2003	To increase the maximum gross vehicle weight of a light bus from 4.0 tonnes to 5.5 tonnes; and to transfer the power to appoint Transport Tribunals and the power to appoint members of the panel from which members of Transport Tribunals may be appointed from the Chief Secretary for Administration to the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works.	22.10.03	24.10.03
4. Bills Committee on Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill 2003	To enable the Official Receiver to outsource bankruptcy cases to private-sector insolvency practitioners in specified circumstances and to provide for the powers and duties of a provisional trustee in bankruptcy; to revise the priority of payment of costs and charges out of a bankrupt's estate contained in section 37 of Bankruptcy Ordinance to bring it in line with rule 179(1) of the Companies (Winding-up) Rules (Cap. 32, sub. leg. H); and to adapt certain provisions of Bankruptcy Ordinance to bring them into conformity with the Basic Law and with the status of Hong Kong as a Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China.	10.12.03	12.12.03

Name of Bills Committee	Object(s) of the Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee
5. Bills Committee on Clearing and Settlement Systems Bill	To provide a statutory framework under which the Monetary Authority is empowered to oversee certain clearing and settlement systems for funds and securities operating in Hong Kong, and to provide for finality as regards transactions effected through, and proceedings within, such systems.	10.12.03	12.12.03
6. Bills Committee on Waste Disposal (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2003	To amend the Waste Disposal Ordinance (Cap. 354) to provide statutory basis for introducing a charging scheme for the disposal of construction waste at landfills, sorting facilities and public fill reception facilities; and strengthen the control against illegal disposal of waste.	17.12.03	19.12.03



## List F : Bills pending resumption of Second Reading debate

Name of Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was considered	Date of resumption of Second Reading debate (if known)	Remarks
1. Ling Liang World-Wide Evangelistic Mission Incorporation (Amendment) Bill 2003	10.12.03	12.12.03	14.1.04	At the House Committee meeting on 12.12.03, Members did not raise objection to the resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill. Mr Kenneth TING has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting on 14.1.04.
2. Education (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2003	9.4.03	11.4.03 19.12.03	14.1.04	At the House Committee meeting on 19.12.03, Members did not raise objection to the resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill. The Administration has given notice to resume the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting on 14.1.04.

## List G : 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
<p>1. Industrial Training (Construction Industry) (Amendment) Bill 2001</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>14.3.01</p>	<p>16.3.01 21.2.03 28.2.03 7.3.03</p>	<p>At the House Committee meeting on 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.</p> <p>At the House Committee meeting on 21.2.03, Members noted that the related regulation had still not been introduced. Members agreed that the Administration should be asked to expedite action.</p> <p>The Director of Administration (D of Adm) provided a written response in his letter dated 27.2.03. At the House Committee meeting on 28.2.03, Members agreed to defer discussion on D of Adm's letter to the meeting on 7.3.03.</p> <p>At the House Committee meeting on 7.3.03, Members agreed that a decision on the Bill be deferred, pending the discussion of the Panel on Manpower with the Administration on its proposal to hold the proposed regulation to be made under the Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance in abeyance.</p>