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**Position Report on Bills Committees/subcommittees
(as at 14 October 2003)**

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	:	1	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	(c)	Number of other subcommittees under House Committee reporting to House Committee on 17.10.03	:	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	:	4	(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	:	2	(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

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 CAS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	6.12.02 Hon James TO Kun-sun	3 8.1.03 17.3.03 13.10.03		Next meeting to be scheduled, pending comments of the two legal professional bodies on the draft order, and the response of the Administration on issues raised by members.
2. Subcommittee on subsidiary legislation relating to consular matters - Mrs Percy MA CAS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	3.10.03 Hon Margaret NG	1 13.10.03		Next two meetings to be held on 20.10.03 and 27.10.03 to continue discussion with the Administration.
3. Subcommittee on Statutes of the University of Hong Kong (Amendment) (No. 2) Statutes 2003 - Miss Flora TAI CAS(2)2 Tel : 2869 9252	3.10.03			First meeting to be held on 15.10.03 to elect the Chairman and to meet with the Administration.

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 PASA Tel : 2869 9480	20.10.00 Hon NG Leung-sing, JP	9 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	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)	

List C : Other subcommittees under House Committee reporting to House Committee on 17.10.03

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 to prepare for the appointment of the Select Committee to inquire into matters relating to the handling of the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome outbreak by the Government and the Hospital Authority - Ms Doris CHAN CAS(2)4 Tel : 2869 9255	10.10.03		17.10.03	Meeting to be held on 15.10.03 and the Subcommittee will report to the House Committee on 17.10.03.

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 Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2001 and Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Polly YEUNG CAS(1)3 Tel : 2869 9246	19.12.01 12.2.03	4.1.02 Hon SIN Chung-kai	13 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	13.6.03 (Verbal report) 20.6.03		Next meeting to be held on 31.10.03 to meet with the Administration to continue discussion on the Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2003.
2. Bills Committee on Education (Amendment) Bill 2002 - Miss Flora TAI CAS(2)2 Tel : 2869 9252	4.12.02	6.12.02 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	9 27.2.03 17.3.03 27.3.03 11.4.03 9.5.03 12.5.03 30.5.03 18.9.03 10.10.03			Next meeting to be held on 24.10.03 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
3. Bills Committee on Land Titles Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CAS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244	18.12.02	3.1.03 Hon Margaret NG	15 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 19.9.03 29.9.03 30.9.03 14.10.03			Next two meetings to be held on 21.10.03 and 28.10.03 to meet with the Administration.
4. Bills Committee on Construction Workers Registration Bill - Mr Andy LAU CAS(1)2 Tel : 2869 9577	19.3.03	21.3.03 Hon CHAN Kwok-keung, JP	2 2.6.03 24.6.03			Next meeting to be scheduled pending the result of another round of consultation by 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
5. Bills Committee on Construction Industry Levy (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2003 - Mrs Sharon TONG CAS(2)1 Tel : 2869 9254	9.4.03	11.4.03 Hon LAU Ping-cheung	2 20.6.03 18.7.03			Next meeting to be held on 17.10.03 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
6. Bills Committee on Public Officers Pay Adjustments (2004/2005) Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CAS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244	21.5.03	23.5.03 Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP	3 2.7.03 17.9.03 10.10.03			Next meeting to be held on 24.10.03 to meet with the Administration.
7. Bills Committee on Boundary Facilities Improvement Tax Bill - Ms Anita SIT CAS(1)6 Tel : 2525 3331	11.6.03	13.6.03 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, JP	2 2.7.03 24.9.03			Next meeting to be held on 23.10.03 to meet with the Administration.
8. Bills Committee on Education (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2003 - Miss Flora TAI CAS(2)2 Tel : 2869 9252	9.4.03	11.4.03 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	2 16.7.03 7.10.03			Next meeting to be held on 25.10.03 to meet with deputations and 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
9. Bills Committee on Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Odelia LEUNG CAS(1)4 Tel : 2869 9245	30.4.03	2.5.03 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	4 8.7.03 31.7.03 9.9.03 23.9.03			Next meeting to be held on 16.10.03 to meet with the Administration.
10. Bills Committee on Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Mrs Constance LI CAS(2)5 Tel : 2869 9269	30.4.03	2.5.03 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	2 2.7.03 3.9.03			Proposed Committee Stage amendments from the Administration to be considered by members.
11. Bills Committee on Deposit Protection Scheme Bill - Miss Becky YU CAS(1)1 Tel : 2869 9213	30.4.03	2.5.03 Hon Albert HO Chun-yan	4 18.7.03 17.9.03 25.9.03 3.10.03			Next five meetings to be held on 21.10.03, 4.11.03, 18.11.03, 2.12.03 and 16.12.03 to meet with the Administration.
12. Bills Committee on Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Polly YEUNG CAS(1)3 Tel : 2869 9246	14.5.03	16.5.03 Hon SIN Chung-kai	3 7.7.03 10.9.03 7.10.03			Next meeting to be held on 30.10.03 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
13. Bills Committee on Companies (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Ms Anita SIT CAS(1)6 Tel : 2525 3331	25.6.03	27.6.03 Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	3 18.7.03 11.9.03 2.10.03			Next meeting to be held on 17.10.03 to meet with the Administration.
14. Bills Committee on Town Planning (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Odelia LEUNG CAS(1)4 Tel : 2869 9245	21.5.03	23.5.03 Hon James TO Kun-sun	4 18.7.03 18.9.03 24.9.03 13.10.03			Next meeting to be scheduled.
15. Bills Committee on United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Ms Doris CHAN CAS(2)4 Tel : 2869 9255	21.5.03	23.5.03 Hon James TO Kun-sun	1 10.10.03			Next meeting to be held on 3.11.03 to continue discussion with the Administration.

List E : 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
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. The Administration has advised that it is ready to resume discussion of the Bill with the Bills Committee.
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. 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.
3. Bills Committee on Human Organ Transplant (Amendment) Bill 2001 - Ms Doris CHAN CAS(2)4 Tel : 2869 9255	20.6.01	22.6.01 Dr Hon LO Wing-lok	4 14.12.01 25.1.02 22.2.02 22.3.02	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.

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
4. Bills Committee on Foreshore, Sea-bed and Roads (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Odelia LEUNG CAS(1)4 Tel : 2869 9245	19.2.03	21.2.03 Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP	2 1.4.03 28.4.03	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.

List F : 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 Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 2003	To amend the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) Ordinance (Cap. 7) by removing provisions relating to the security of tenure of domestic premises under Part IV and abolishing the notice of termination requirement under Part V of the Ordinance and to make consequential amendments.	11.6.03	13.6.03
2. Bills Committee on Adoption (Amendment) Bill 2003	To amend certain existing provisions in the Adoption Ordinance (Cap. 290), and to add provisions for intercountry adoption for the purpose of giving effect to the Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in respect of Intercountry Adoption in Hong Kong.	18.6.03	20.6.03
3. 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
4. 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

List G : 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. Import and Export (Facilitation) Bill 2003	25.6.03	27.6.03 3.10.03	29.10.03	At the House Committee meeting on 3.10.03, 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 29.10.03.
2. Revenue (No. 3) Bill 2003	9.7.03	3.10.03		At the House Committee meeting on 3.10.03, 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 21.2.03 28.2.03 7.3.03	<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>