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**Position Report on Bills Committees/subcommittees
(as at 16 December 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	:	2	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	(c)	Number of Bills Committees in action	:	14	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
	(d)	Number of Bills Committees reporting to House Committee on 19.12.03	:	1	(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	(e)	Number of Bills Committees held in abeyance	:	3	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	(f)	Number of Bills Committees on waiting list	:	6	(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.
2. Subcommittee on the United Nations Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation 2003 - Mrs Sharon TONG CAS(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 Summary Disposal of Complaints (Solicitors) Rules - Mrs Percy MA CAS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	28.11.03 Hon Margaret NG	1 8.12.03	12.12.03 (Verbal report)	Next meeting to be held on 5.1.04 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	10 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	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 CAS(2)3 Tel : 2869 9253	7.11.03 Hon Margaret NG	1 26.11.03		Next meeting to be held on 18.12.03 to meet with the Administration.

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 CAS(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 15.1.04 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 CAS(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 CAS(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 CAS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244	18.12.02	3.1.03 Hon Margaret NG	20 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 19.12.03 to meet with the Administration.

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3. Bills Committee on Land Titles Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CAS(1)5 Tel : 2869 9244 <i>(Continued from previous page)</i>			25.11.03 3.12.03 9.12.03			
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	3 2.6.03 24.6.03 13.11.03			Next meeting to be scheduled pending the result of another round of consultation by the Administration.
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	5 20.6.03 18.7.03 17.10.03 10.11.03 1.12.03			Next meeting to be held on 5.1.04 to discuss the Administration's proposed Committee Stage amendments.

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 CAS(1)4 Tel : 2869 9245	30.4.03	2.5.03 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	9 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			Next meeting to be held on 8.1.04 to meet with the Administration.
7. 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	8 18.7.03 17.9.03 25.9.03 3.10.03 21.10.03 4.11.03 18.11.03 11.12.03			Next two meetings to be held on 22.12.03 and 8.1.04 to meet with the Administration.
8. 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	5 7.7.03 10.9.03 7.10.03 30.10.03 26.11.03			Next meeting to be held on 6.1.04 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
9. 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	8 18.7.03 11.9.03 2.10.03 17.10.03 30.10.03 13.11.03 27.11.03 9.12.03			Next meeting to be held on 18.12.03 to meet with the Administration.
10. 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	8 18.7.03 18.9.03 24.9.03 23.10.03 4.11.03 20.11.03 28.11.03 3.12.03			Next meeting to be held on 6.1.04 to meet with the Administration.
11. Bills Committee on United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Mary SO CAS(2)4 Tel : 2869 9551	21.5.03	23.5.03 Hon James TO Kun-sun	5 10.10.03 3.11.03 12.11.03 26.11.03 5.12.03			Next meeting to be held on 10.1.04 to meet with 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
12. 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	5 6.11.00 20.11.00 4.12.00 13.11.03 9.12.03			Next meeting to be scheduled.
13. Bills Committee on Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 2003 - Miss Becky YU CAS(1)1 Tel : 2869 9213	11.6.03	13.6.03 Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP	1 20.11.03			Next meeting to be held on 18.12.03 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
14. Bills Committee on Hong Kong Sports Development Board (Repeal) Bill - Mrs Sharon TONG CAS(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.

List D : Bills Committees reporting to House Committee on 19.12.03

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 Education (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2003 - Ms Doris CHAN CAS(2)2 Tel : 2869 9252	9.4.03	11.4.03 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan	4 16.7.03 7.10.03 25.10.03 4.12.03	19.12.03	14.1.04	Reporting to the House Committee on 19.12.03.

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
<p>1. Bills Committee on Companies (Corporate Rescue) Bill - Miss Salumi CHAN CAS(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 CAS(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 CAS(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 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 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
2. 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
3. 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
4. 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

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 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
6. 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

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. Employees Compensation Assistance (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2003	3.12.03	5.12.03	17.12.03	At the House Committee meeting on 5.12.03, 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 17.12.03.
2. Ling Liang World-Wide Evangelistic Mission Incorporation (Amendment) Bill 2003	10.12.03	12.12.03		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.

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>